

**'As children of God, We care for each other and we  
always try to do our best.'**



## **DATES FOR DIARIES**

### 10th November:

PTFA Wine and Cheese

evening 7.00pm at

Longridge Cricket Club.

Any Operation Christmas Child boxes re-  
turned to school please.

### 12th November:

10.30am Remembrance Day Family Mass.

2.00pm-4.00pm

St. Francis' Syrian Refugee charity tourna-  
ment' with

Mr Gilmour's team at Play Football,

Tulketh, Preston.

All welcome!

### 13th November:

Children in Need week. Bring £1 and wear  
something yellow or spotty on Monday!

### 23rd November:

Book Fair in the school hall

### 5th December:

Choir singing at a local rest home.

### 12th December:

KS2 Carol Service in Church

### 13th December:

Pre-School Mini-Carols around the tree for Pre-  
School families.

### 14th December:

Christmas Party in school

### 15th December:

Christmas Jumper Day and Carols around the  
tree at 2.00pm

### 19th December:

Infant Nativity (Pendle and Parlick) at 2.00pm  
and 6.00pm in church-costumes all provided.

### 21st December:

Break up for half term 1.30pm

### 8th January:

Return to school

Dear families , friends and parishioners,

Welcome back!

We have so much to look forward to this very  
special half term.

We are preparing for Remembrance Day Family  
Mass which is this Sunday at 10.30am. The children  
in school have been making Poppy poems to dis-  
play in church and our CAFOD Club and Year 6  
have been preparing poems to read. They are also  
leading this Friday's assembly. For our December  
Family Mass, our school band will be performing-a  
real treat to look forward to!

The children are very busy in classes and we have  
some exciting trips ahead planned. Your class  
teachers will inform you of these. Topic maps for this  
half term will be coming home this Friday and clubs  
will begin next week.

As you can appreciate, in a small school staff try  
very hard to provide clubs after school. We pride  
ourselves on the fact that we offer many more  
clubs after school than other schools. As much as  
we try to please everyone, clashes of events on  
certain evenings are inevitable. Table Tennis will be  
on a Monday. We have had to move Glee Club  
back to Thursdays due to an overwhelming number  
of children unable to attend on a different evening.  
Staff can only run Art club on a Thursday because  
of other commitments. Art Club will be on a  
different evening next half term. Netball will run on  
a Wednesday for four weeks. Staff thank you for  
your understanding.

Your child has received an RE questionnaire for you  
to return to school at your earliest convenience.

We have now been informed that we will soon  
have a Section 48 Inspection. The inspector will  
judge our school on two key areas, as instructed  
from Lancaster Diocese.

These areas are: Catholic Life of the school and the  
teaching of RE.

As we approach the Advent Season, we look  
forward to Carol Services, Nativities and working  
Together for some lovely events.

# ENRICHING THE CURRICULUM...

## One Million Children Pray the Rosary

On Wednesday 18th October, year 6 led a whole school prayer and liturgy session as part of the global incentive 'One Million Children Pray the Rosary'. They talked about the power of prayer and asked everyone to pray for peace in Syria and other areas of our world where there is conflict. We have been learning in class about Our Lady's appearances in Fatima and discussing the importance of and reasons for prayer. You can find more information on our school website. Our CAFOD Club children have created their own newsletters. You can find these on our website too!



## Music Concert

Once again, our children were amazing. The Glee Club, School Band, Choir, Instrumentalist and Soloist were outstanding. Well done to all!

## Topics across school

**Pre-School:** Festivals of Light

**Pendle:** Castles, Dragons and mystical lands

**Parlick:** Fighting Fit and The Great Fire of London

**Fairsnape:** The Iron Man-Ted Hughes

**Beacon:** Food Glorious Food

You will receive a curriculum topic map to inform you what your child will be learning in each subject for next half term.

