



English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School

Friday 6th February 2026

What a fantastic and busy week we have had in school!

Thank you to everyone who has been part of it!

On Monday playtime some of our KS2 Dance Troupe Dancers hosted a Cake Sale to cover the cost of their bus fares to the Dance Festival at Fulwood Academy. A great show of entrepreneurship!

On Wednesday, Miss Walker, Miss Ironfield, Miss Gillett, Mrs Edwards and the KS2 Dance Troupe set off to Fulwood Academy on the number 23 Preston Bus! From leaving school to returning, the children made everyone proud, from their amazing dancing, brilliant behaviour, their enthusiasm, engagement and support they showed to other schools, they made us all so very, very proud. 😊 They danced their socks off with smiles, determination and enjoyment. Well done children and huge thank you to Miss Walker for choreographing such a fabulous dance! They came an am-a-zingggg 3rd out of 14 schools!! Wow, so proud! 😊

Nursery and Reception have had a busy week also! Their theme for the week is all about Lunar New Year and as part of their learning, they all went to our local Chinese Supermarket on Moor Lane! They walked there and back in small groups and each had money to spend in the shop. Miss Walker and Mrs Thomas bought tasty snacks for the children (and staff!) to eat when they got back. What a fabulous experience for all! And thank you for the snacks too! 😊

Huge congratulations to Breakfast Club and After School Club on getting a food hygiene rating of 5 stars! Amazing! Thank you ladies for all your hard work in running them, especially as many of you volunteer for Breakfast Club! ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Before you know it, Book Week and World Book Day will be upon us! Have a chat with your child over the next few weeks about their favourite book character who they can dress up as. If you need any ideas, pop into school and chat to your child's staff team! 😊

Thank you to those who joined us for our Ramadan Assembly yesterday.

Mrs Abbas and children from KS2 led the informative assembly, reminding us why Ramadan is observed and the reasoning behind it. Well done children for so confidently leading and thank you for sharing your faith with us all. 🌙

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. Mrs Hewitson has been busy making various wellbeing and mental health key rings, notebooks, book marks and badges. She will be selling them in The Snug from Monday. Don't forget to come and join us at our Mental Health Cafe 230pm on Wednesday 11th February 💖💖

Attendance Matters!

Being in school EVERYDAY and ON TIME is a non-negotiable and expectation for EVERYONE!

	Attendance	Punctuality (Lates)
Reception	93%	4
Year 1	90%	0
Year 2	95%	2
Year 3	90%	4
Year 4	99%	1
Year 5	92%	12
Year 6	97%	5
Total	94%	28

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We are 'open' any day at any time if there is ANYTHING you need to stock up on.

Please don't be shy, don't be proud or embarrassed, we are all here to help and support each other.

Please either ask in the office, ask Mrs Hewitson or Mrs Howarth, or any member of staff, or drop one of us an email and we will have a bag ready for you by the end of the day. 😊

What's on in School?	
Date	Activity
Each Thursday until Easter	Year 4 Swimming lessons
Wednesday 11 th February	Mental Health Week Cafe 230pm
Thursday 12 th February	School closes at the usual times for the Spring Term Half Term Holiday
Monday 23 rd February	School reopens for Spring Term 2 at the usual times
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day! Dress as your favourite book character
Wednesday 18 th March	Year 4 Schools Linking Project trip to Burnley Youth Theatre

*'It always seems impossible until
it's done.'*

Nelson Mandela