



English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School

Friday 26th September 2025

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who joined us this morning for our coffee morning. What a fabulous turn out for such a very good cause.

Thank you for all the donations, for all the cakes and all the chat and laughter!

It is always such a great sight to see our hall filled with families.

Thank you all!

Phonics Stay & Play

Thank you to all our Reception Class families who joined Miss Walker, Mrs Roach and Mrs Holderness this week for Stay and Play Phonics!

We all really appreciate how involved you are in the children's learning and in supporting their learning at home and in school! Thank you, Miss Walker, for another engaging and inspiring session!

Fantastic Book Awards 2026

Yesterday, Mrs Abbas spent the morning at Preston North End. Not practising her football skills, on this occasion, but attending the grand launch of the Fantastic Book Awards 2026!

Over the coming weeks and months, some of our Year 6 children will be reading and reviewing and voting for their favourite of 6 books before sending their votes into Lancashire County Council Library Services in Spring with the winning author and title announced in May-June! Happy reading!

Stopping Flu in its tracks!

Some of our younger children will be having their flu vaccinations on Monday 29th. If you haven't already returned your form, please ask in the office for a new one, the nurses might be able to fit your child in on Monday or in the coming weeks.

World Mental Health Day!

Friday October 10th is World Mental Health Day.

We pride ourselves here in school in recognising, supporting and promoting mental health every day. However, on this day, we will be joining thousand across the world in standing up to say 'it's ok not to be ok'.

To mark the day and raise awareness, we are going to have an Afternoon Tea at 230pm. Mrs Hewitson is planning the menu and also activities to do on the day, watch this space for further details.

Attendance Matters!

Being in school EVERY day and ON TIME is essential and an expectation for all.

	Attendance	Punctuality (lates)
Reception	93%	1
Year 1	95%	2
Year 2	96%	3
Year 3	95%	6
Year 4	92%	1
Year 5	90%	3
Year 6	94%	3
Total	94%	19

Year 1 Phonics Morning

Don't forget to come and join Mr Davis and co on Tuesday morning for the Year 1 Stay & Play Phonics session!

<i>What's on in school?</i>	
Date	Activity
Monday 29 th September	Flu Immunisations
Tuesday 30 th September 9 - 10am	Year 1 Stay & Play Phonics session for Parents and Guardians
Wednesday 1 st October 1030am	New term Mass in school
Friday 10 th October	World Mental Health Day Afternoon Tea @230pm
Monday 13 th ~ Friday 17 th October	Parent & Guardian consultations: Telephone consultations TBC Face to Face: Wednesday 15 th October
Wednesday 22 nd October Usual times	School closes for the Half Term break
Monday 3 rd November	INSET Day for staff
Tuesday 4 th November	Pupils return to school
Tuesday 4 th November	Year 6 trip to the Museum of Lancashire <i>The Secret War</i>
Friday 7 th November	National Outdoor Learning Day

Pantry@EM

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 one family together and there to help and support each other. Just speak to Mrs Hewitson, Mrs Howarth, or any member of staff and a bag will be ready for collection at the end of the day 😊

*'The secret, Alice, is to surround yourself
with people who make your heart smile.
It's then, only then, that you'll find
Wonderland.'*

Alice in Wonderland