



English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School

Friday 2nd October 2026

Thank you once more to everyone who came to our Macmillan Coffee Morning last week. Together with the donations from the morning and also the class cake sales, you helped us raise a fabulous £225! Amazing generosity once more, thank you all! Huge thanks go to our fantastic Year 6 Prefect Team who ran helped Mrs Abbas and Mrs Galka serve at the coffee morning and also collected children from classes. Well done and thank you all! 😊

Everyone looked very smart on Wednesday for the individual school photos! Tempest will be sending through proofs which we will send home for ordering. A great Christmas present for some maybe!

On Thursday, we hosted a Fairtrade Football Friendly tournament with our fantastic Year 5 & 6 team playing against Cottam Primary and St Patrick's Walton-Le-Dale. Our children did us all proud, showing true sportship, teamwork and lived up to the friendly in football friendly! It was great to see our children shine on the pitch with pride and win overall, winning 3 matches and drawing 1 – 1 in one! Amazing! Well done all of you and thank you to Mr Eastwood for being a great referee, our Head Girl and Deputy Head Boy for serving refreshments and our families who came to watch, what a team EM is!! 😊

The amazing EM Colour Run is back!... **Wednesday 21st October**. Please check book bags for the letter and sponsor form which came home this week!

We have once more invited the Infection Prevention Team into school to work with our children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 this week. They learnt just how far a sneeze can travel and the importance of good handwashing habits! The team were very impressed with the children, their behaviour, their engagement and their knowledge! Well done all!

On Tuesday, we welcomed the Mayor of Preston into school, Mayor Khan. She spent time in each class, answering questions from whether she lived in a mansion to whether you can be Mayor more than once. Our head and deputy head boys and girls showed Madame Mayor around school and impressed her with their manners, confidence and pride of our school. Thank you Madame Mayor for taking the time to pop in and see us all, our door is always open!

Attendance Matters!

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

	Attendance	Punctuality (Lates)
Reception	94%	1
Year 1	91%	1
Year 2	93%	2
Year 3	91%	4
Year 4	93%	9
Year 5	96%👍	5
Year 6	94%	3
Total	93%	25😞

Don't forget to check if you are eligible for Free School Meals for your children, even if they are in Reception or Years 1 and 2. From September 2026 all households receiving Universal Credit, regardless of household income, will qualify for free school meals.

Please contact LCC Free School Meals on 01772 532109 or follow the links on our school website – Parent Zone – Free School Meals. You can apply online. It will only take a few minutes but could save you a fortune and we will also get additional funding in school which will always go towards the provision for children. Any questions, just pop to the school office and ask!

*** Top One Uniforms ***

Have moved to opposite Primark on Fishergate!

Love, care, trust, nurture in all that we do and for all.

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 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
Wednesday 14 th – Wednesday 21 st October	Scholastic Pop-Up Book Fair
Tuesday 20 th October	Face to Face Parent and Guardian meetings
Wednesday 21 st October	PTFA Sponsored Colour Run
Friday 23 rd October	School closes for half term (usual times!)
Wednesday 4 th November	School re-opens for Autumn Half Term 2 *** Please note the correct day, NOT 5 th November (Blame the headteacher!!! 😊)

'Never trust a thought that occurs to you indoors.'

Fredrich Nietzsche (Philosopher & Writer)

*Go outside this weekend, play in the sun, find
conkers and enjoy the fresh air!*



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The theme for English Martyrs' Shining Stars this week
was chosen by Year 4 for...



'Pride in our work'



Nursery – Jude

Reception – Johann

Year 1 – Jeremy

Year 2 – Tabitha

Year 3 – Emmanuel

Year 4 – Sheikha

Year 5 – Kimberley

Year 6 – Farwa



The Life-Long Learners at English Martyrs' theme for
this half term is

'Curiosity'

Nursery – Zakariya

Reception – Adrika

Year 1 – Elliot

Year 2 – Alex

Year 3 – Tyanna

Year 4 – Zuzanna

Year 5 – Sochi

Year 6 – Amelia



Well done EVERYONE!

You ALL always make us proud!

