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**Shine with the light of Jesus – Matthew 5:14-16.  
You are the light of the world.**

**23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025**

Wow! It's hard to believe that we're already at our next half term. Even though this half term has been a short one, we've achieved and done so much within that time.

Reception started off the week with one of their Stay and Play events. It was lovely to see so many parents coming to school to share and take part in learning with their children. From colouring in spring time pictures to digging in the sand, the children thoroughly enjoyed these interactions.

We also had a visit from Anthony, a Judo instructor, who was kind enough to hold an assembly for us and show us some moves. This included some games where the children had to catch a belt first before our partner. They also practised some moves safely together. There was an email sent out about Judo in the Summer 2 term, so if your children are interested, please make sure to sign up for it.

Please check out our term dates for the next term. They are attached to the bottom of this newsletter.

Even though the weather is meant to change next week, I hope you have all made the most of the sunny weather. We look forward to seeing you all after half term, and we're looking forward to hearing all the fun and stories you bring back with you.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Joanna Owen

Headteacher

**This Week's Prayer...**

**Year 6**

Every week, each class takes a turn to write a prayer for us all to reflect upon in worship. We wish to share this with you so that you may use this as part of your reflection time at home.

Dear God,

Thank you for being a guiding light during SATs week and thank you for all our family, friends and teachers for supporting us during this time.

Thank you for your encouragement from everybody during this time and cheering us on until the very end.

We appreciate the opportunity to rest and recover over the half term so we can recharge our depleted batteries.

Thank you for our sunny weather so we can have fun outside with our friends.

Amen.



## NEWS

### COLOUR RUN

Our first ever PTFA Colour Run is running in conjunction with the Brinscall Beer Festival on **Saturday 24th May**. This is a Fun Run for all the family. You can complete your first run at any time between **12:00pm and 12:40pm** and you are encouraged to run round the track as many or as few times as you wish until **1:00pm**.

Full details and booking available at  
[www.pta-events.co.uk/brinscallstjohns/](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/brinscallstjohns/)

### REDECORATING VOLUNTEERS

We're hoping to have another day of redecorating school on either the **Saturday 7th or Sunday 8th June**. Previously, we were very fortunate and grateful to have parents and family members who volunteered to help. If anybody would be able to help on either of those dates, please could you let [bursar@brinscall.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@brinscall.lancs.sch.uk) know and we'll arrange it for the time when most people are available. Thank you.



### International Men's Health Week

Following the success of our other afternoon tea events, a letter was sent home earlier this week about an event for International Men's Week. This is an event for Year 3, 4 and 5.

This will be on **Friday 13th June at 2.30 pm**. If you wish to attend, please fill in the letter and return it by Wednesday 4th June.



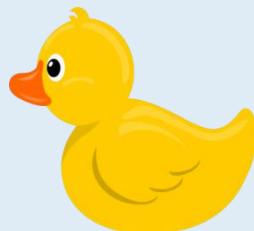
Thank you.

### Brinscall Duck Race 2025

Brinscall Duck Race 2025 is looking for a logo. A letter has been sent home this week where you can design your logo and return to school.

The logo can be any style, shape or colour, it's your choice!

Entries must be returned to school by **Friday 6th June**.



### SUMMER 2 CLUBS

#### Tuesday:

Breakfast club - Y2 and Y3 - Games (variety/your choice)  
Curriculum - Y1, Y4, Y5 (9-10 / 10-11 / 11-12) - athletics  
Lunchtime - Y6 - athletics based

#### Friday:

Breakfast club - Y4 and Y5 - Games (variety /your choice)  
Curriculum - Y3, EYFS, Y2 (9-10 / 10-11 / 11-12) - athletics  
Lunchtime - Y6- athletics based

### ST JOHN'S SUPERSTAR AWARD

**YEAR 6:** Ivy  
**YEAR 5:** Joshua  
**YEAR 4:** Noah  
**YEAR 3:** Eva  
**YEAR 2:** Jonathan  
**YEAR 1:** Emme  
**YEAR R:** Alaina



### WELFARE AWARD

**YEAR 6:** Zachary  
**YEAR 5:** Harry  
**YEAR 4:** Reggie  
**YEAR 3:** Ollie  
**YEAR 2:** Alex  
**YEAR 1:** Phoebe  
**YEAR R:** Alaina

### LIVING OUT THE VALUES AWARD

**YEAR 6:** Issac  
**YEAR 5:** Amelia  
**YEAR 4:** James  
**YEAR 3:** Sammy  
**YEAR 2:** Alex  
**YEAR 1:** Phoebe  
**YEAR R:** Elena



### Half Term

The children will return to school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.  
Have a lovely half term.

<b>Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025</b>	Colour Run – See PTFA website
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025</b>	Inset day – School closed to children
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025</b>	School reopens after the half term break @ 8:45am



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<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Year 4 Times table check week
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	New reception intake meeting – 6pm
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Y1/Y2 Fielding and Striking festival – more info to follow
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Year 1 Father's Day worship – 9am
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	International Men's Health Week Afternoon Tea – 2.30pm Y3 / Y4 / Y5
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Y2 Assessment week
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Year 1 Trip to Ribby Hall Zoo
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Year 3 Lancashire Sings
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Y5/Y6 Mixed cricket – more info to follow
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Year 6 Treat day
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Summer Fair 3:30pm – 5:00pm
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Bishop Phillip visit Whole school Reflection day Parent showcase at 3.25pm
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025</b>	Rocksteady concert @ 2pm
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025</b>	Move up day – Children will come into school as usual and then go to new classes from worship. Children will be collected from usual classes. New intake 2025 visit 1.15-2.45pm stay and play
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025</b>	Year 5 interview day – more info to follow
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025</b>	Reception stay and play @ 2pm – date changed due to move up day
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>	Sports Week including Sport Day (7.7.25) Children can come to school in sports wear all week <b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day - Parents Welcome – KS2 9.15-11.30 KS1/EYFS – 1.30-3PM</b> Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July – Yoga in PE - CSSP / healthy me day Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July – Outdoor adventurous activities - CSSP Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July – parachute and team building games Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July morning – Yoga in PE -CSSP Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July afternoon – Obstacle course - CSSP
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>	Year 6 performance – Whole School @ 2pm
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>	Year 6 afternoon Performance @ 1:30pm
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>	Year 6 evening Performance @ 6pm
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>	Reports Sent Out
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>	Back up sports day
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>	Y6 End of Year Worship in church at 9.15am



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Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

School closes for Summer @ 2pm.

## CLASS NEWS

### RECEPTION

Reception class have been reading 'Jack and the Jellybean Stalk' and this led us to investigate if all beans grow. We've planted jellybeans, baked beans and broad beans and we're looking forward to watching them closely to find out if they grow. We've created castles like the one in the story and we've enjoyed sharing our learning with our families at our recent stay and play session. We've had fun in the sun during PE with our coach and also on the adventure trail too!

### YEAR 1

Year 1 have entered their final week of Spring 1 by making, eating and evaluating their own fruit kebabs based on their DT project this term. Plenty of skills have been at play including learning how to chop and prepare the fruit. This has also linked really well to our PSHE work this past 5 weeks whereby we have looked at how we take responsibility for ourselves and stay well - washing hands was a big feature of this! Finally we have looked at the concept of 'not giving up' as part of our in-class worship this week and used a lovely spot the difference to illustrate the point that the first few were easy to find and then it got a little tougher - God promises to always support us through those tough times but we also need to keep on trying!

### YEAR 2

In Year 2, we have finished our puppets in DT and they look amazing! We had the fire service in class for a informative lesson on fire safety. We have finished "The Twits" in Guided reading and have enjoyed reading about and creating our own tricks for revenge. We have finished our unit on time and have been learning about how many minutes in an hour and how many hours in a day.

### YEAR 3

Year 3 have been enjoying learning the different passes used in handball, including chest passes, underarm passes and bounce passes. Today they have practised feinting to beat the defender. We used these skills to play a handball game.

### YEAR 4

Year 4 have been busy this week. We have begun to learn about sound and how it travels through vibrations. We did our final art piece based on abstract art. We have been learning life saving skills during our swimming lessons.

### YEAR 5

This week in Year 5, we've been writing our own balanced debates around topics such as school start/finish times, the cost of university, use of computers for work and other topics that the children felt they could present both sides of an argument for. It's been fabulous seeing how well the children can present an argument and have the maturity to express alternative opinions, even when they don't match their own. The children have also been continuing to enjoy experimenting with reversible and irreversible changes in Science, showing creativity in coming up with their own experiments to test what is possible. Some of the children have also had opportunity to visit Nature Trail Nursery and have enjoyed being able to work with the children there. They've enjoyed choosing a book to read with their new friends, and enjoyed being shown around by the children there.

### YEAR 6

After a busy week of SATs, Year 6 finished the week by creating our Mayan art designs into clay. Over the last few weeks, we have been learning and researching Mayan history. The afternoon was spent relaxing with our classmates as we munched on pizza and chips before heading to the field for some fun!