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

6th June 2025

A huge welcome back to everyone as we enter our last term of this academic year. As we return to school, I want to take a moment to reflect on all we have accomplished this academic year and, as we progress, I'm excited to share my enthusiasm for what lies ahead before July.

I am delighted to inform you that Year 4 has successfully completed their times table check this week! Throughout the year, the children have been working diligently, practising their times tables through engaging songs, fun games, and stimulating lessons. I would like to extend a heartfelt congratulations to Year 4 for their hard work and determination—well done everyone!

During our worship session on Thursday, Reverend Karen shared the exciting news that we will soon be celebrating the birthday of the church, Pentecost. To mark this special occasion, we explored the idea of bunting and Karen encouraged the children to create their own unique designs to celebrate this joyful time.

Building on this theme, our Shining Flames group recently visited the church, gathering wonderful ideas for our prayer station and worship areas. Together, they constructed an impressive bank of suggestions, and they are eager to share these with everyone, even planning to create their own prayer station!

Please note there will be no celebration worship next Friday as Year 1 will be holding their Father's Day Worship and Year 3, 4 and 5 will be having their Graze and Giggle afternoon tea event.

Wishing you all a delightful weekend ahead.

Mrs Joanna Owen

Headteacher

This Week's Prayer...

Year 5

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,

As we begin the last half-term of the year, thank you for everything you've done for us since September. Thank you for the things we've learnt and the time with our friends. Thank you for the teachers that have helped us and for our families who look after us.

Please help us to enjoy our last half-term this year. Help us to continue to learn and grow, and help us have the best half-term yet! Look after us as we approach the summer holidays and help us be ready for the next steps on our journey.

Amen.





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NEWS

Staffing Update

We wish to inform you that Mr Westwood will be leaving us at the end of this academic year. After much consideration, he has decided that it is time for him to embrace a new challenge at a different school as a mixed Year 5/ 6 class teacher.

During his time with us at Brinscall St John's, Mr Westwood has made a significant impact on our school community. He has taught in various year groups and has taken on numerous leadership responsibilities with great enthusiasm and dedication. His departure will undoubtedly leave a void, and he will be missed by the whole school family. We extend our heartfelt best wishes to Mr Westwood as he embarks on this exciting new chapter in his career.

After School Club

It is with a heavy heart that I inform you Siquia has decided not to transfer to the school and will leave the after-school club at the end of the academic year. Having been an integral part of our school family for over 18 years, Siquia has made a profound impact as ASC Manager, shaping the lives of countless students across all year groups. We are immensely grateful for her dedication and contributions throughout the years. As she embarks on this exciting new chapter, we extend our heartfelt best wishes to Siquia for her future endeavours.

International Men's Health Week

Thank you to everyone who has returned our letter regarding our Graze and Giggle event on **Friday 13th June at 2:30pm** for Year 3, 4 and 5.

We have sent tickets home today and look forward to seeing you all next week.
Thank you.



Summer Fair – Friday 20th June 2025



Our summer fair is fast approaching.

We are collecting soft toys – please bring them in to the school office.

If you are able to volunteer any time to support the running of a stall please do let us know!

Our fantastic PTFA have attached a poster with more information.

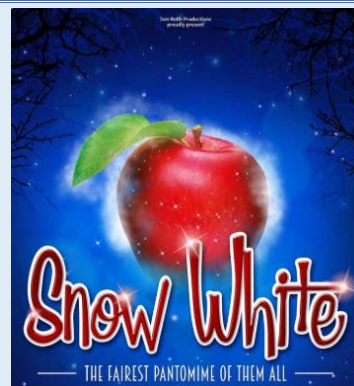
Reminder: Friday 13th June will be non uniform day for chocolate donations.

PTFA – Pantomime - Advanced booking and notice

Our PTFA have secured tickets to the pantomime again this year at **Blackburn Empire Theatre on 22nd November, 1:30pm-**

This year's panto is Snow White. All tickets **£12.50 each** (cheaper than buying them via the theatre!).

Tickets will go on sale on Saturday 7th June from www.pta-events.co.uk/brinscallstjohns





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National Book Tokens

National Book Tokens school prize has returned this summer, in association with their longstanding charity partner, Read for Good.

They're offering five schools the chance to win £1,000 in National Book Tokens and fill their shelves with new books, as well as £300 in cash to create a fun and welcoming library space for all!

Nominate our school and if yours is one of the five winning entries, you'll also receive a £100 National Book Tokens gift card to spend in your favourite bookshop.

Find out more information here:

https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools-prize?utm_medium=email&utm_source=nbt&utm_campaign=20250604-schools-list&utm_content=schools-prize



ROCKSTEADY CONCERT – Thursday 26th June

It has been lovely hearing those children who take part in our Rocksteady groups progress with their skills over the last few weeks.

They are nearly ready to perform to you. Our Rocksteady concert for parents will be held on **Thursday 26th June at 2pm.**



You should receive an invitation directly from Rocksteady.

SPORTS WEEK – WB 7th July

Our sports day this year is on **Monday 7th July.** It will follow the same process as in previous years.

Sports day will kick off our sport week as mentioned in previous newsletters.

During this week children can come to school in sportswear.

A full break down of activities will be shared with you all on **Friday 27th June.**

YEAR 6 – TREAT DAY Friday 20th June

Year 6 can come to school in comfy/ sportswear for a day of inflatables, games, gladiator duo and more.

Follow up email sent to Y6 parents on Monday 9th June.

YEAR 1 WORSHIP

Year 1 will be leading our worship on **Friday 13th June at 9:00am.** The children will be talking about Father's Day and how important it is to celebrate all the important men in our lives during this time.

We're happy to invite you to join us at this time.

ST JOHN'S SUPERSTAR AWARD

YEAR 6: Aveana
YEAR 5: Ronnie
YEAR 4: Sophia
YEAR 3: Holly
YEAR 2: Alice
YEAR 1: Anna
YEAR R: Oscar



WELFARE AWARD

YEAR 6: Ivy
YEAR 5: Scarlett
YEAR 4: Jake
YEAR 3: Priya
YEAR 2: Alice
YEAR 1: Matilda
YEAR R: Harry

LIVING OUT THE VALUES AWARD

YEAR 6: James
YEAR 5: Harry
YEAR 4: Tara
YEAR 3: Sammy
YEAR 2: Isaac
YEAR 1: Annie
YEAR R: Yusuf





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CLASS NEWS

RECEPTION

Reception class have been reading the story 'Rosie's Walk' as part of our English lessons. We have enjoyed lots of activities in provision linked to the story such as retelling the story using story stones, creating Rosie the hen using shapes and writing our own sentences about the story and drawing pictures to match. We have also been practising adding numbers together using pictures related to the story.

YEAR 1

Although it has been a slightly shorter week, Year 1 have been no less busy. We began our new English topic of 'information leaflets' and have enjoyed finding the features of leaflets relating to many amazing places - Disney Land, Astley Park, Blackpool Zoo and the Sealife Centre. We have also begun to gather vocabulary relating to frozen landscapes in readiness for our own writing. In Science we have illustrated our observations of seasonal change and taken our learning outdoors to consider how our natural world transitions from Spring to almost Summer. Maths has seen a focus on position and direction and we have added the 'left right salamander' to our wiggle time. We have also begun to practice our special Father's Day assembly but no spoilers until next week, but rest assured our 'big smiles, loud voices and amazing reading skills' have been well used so far this week!

YEAR 2

What a busy few days we've had back in Year 2!

We have spent time catching up with our planted bean seeds, writing in our diary and looking at the wonderful growth of our plants. We have labelled the features and looked at perfect growing conditions.

We have also explored how plants can grow in different countries with different conditions. We have started our new English unit, looking at the text "The Day the Crayons Quit" and we started exploring the features of letter writing. We have started our statistics unit in maths, looking at data collection, tally charts and pictograms. We are continuing to develop our arithmetic skills and use the four operations of maths to solve the problems. We have been discussing "the church" and its special meaning to Christians in RE and have started to create digital music in computing.

YEAR 3

Year 3 had a sporty start to our first week back. We have continued to develop our hand ball skills, including different throws and feinting. This week, we put those skills into practise and played in small groups to try out handball.

YEAR 4

Year 4 have made an amazing start to their learning in their first week back after half term. In PE, we have been practicing athletics. This week, we practiced different throws, including the push throw. We really challenged ourselves to throw the ball as far as we could.

YEAR 5

This week, Year 5 have been looking at the book 'Zoo' by Anthony Browne, and talking about the ethics of zoos as well as exploring ways to weave opinion into narrative. We've been looking at calculating with decimals in mathematics, which has been a good chance for us to recap calculation methods. We've started to look at forces in science, which has allowed us to explore designing experiments and working scientifically. In geography, we've started to look at sustainability and what that means in our lives, and we'll be moving on to looking at what sustainability might mean on a global scale as we move through the unit. In PSHE, we're looking at what drugs and medicines are and what effect they can have on people's bodies. In RE, we've started looking at the story of Daniel. This unit looks at what we can learn from Daniel's life and journey, and also allows us to look a little at the Jewish faith and belief system.

YEAR 6

This week in Year 6, we have been thinking about the words we use to describe God, how we imagine God would look like and the names we use to talk about God. We have also received a copy of the script for our end of year performance and we are getting ready to audition for the parts.