



Langho and Billington St. Leonard's Church of England Primary School

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Newsletter: Friday 12th December 2025

NEWS

Worship

Thank you Herons class, who led us in worship last Wednesday. It was all about Jesus being born as a baby and the joy this brought as well as the challenges for Mary and Joseph. Next week the children will be learning about Christmas around the world, including how Christmas is celebrated by the children at Kishinju Primary School in Uganda and they will be making Christingles. We will have a special Christingle worship service on Thursday afternoon and then on Friday morning we will have our final worship of 2025 in church led by Fr. Mike.



Falcons class will lead worship in church on Wednesday 14th January at 9am. All welcome.

Little Lennies Stay and Play

Thank you to the parents who were able to join us for the Little Lennies Stay and Play last week! It is great to be able to share what the children are learning and doing with you 'in the moment'. We look forward to more stay and play sessions next year.

Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to everyone for your donations and participation in the Christmas Fair. It was a wonderful atmosphere both in the afternoon when the children visited by themselves and after school. It is lovely to come together as a school community. The total raised was a wonderful **£2012**, which is all going towards our running track fundraiser.



We have continued to sell raffle tickets for our hampers (now £1 per strip) and also for the Headteacher's raffle (£5 per ticket) at our nativity performances this week and these will be on sale for the KS1 performances next week too!

The Headteacher raffle will be drawn next week on Wednesday 17th December.

Early Years Nativity

Well done to all our Nursery and Reception children as well as the staff for a beautiful retelling of the Nativity. There were so many compliments about how well the children performed, behaved and remembered all those lines, songs and actions. It was such a treat to watch, such amazing children - well done!



Sports News

Utilita Kids Cup victory!

On Tuesday 2nd December our amazing A team took part in the local final of the Utilita Kids Cup and BRFC Indoor centre. After a very tense game, with a high standard of football from both teams, St Leonard's won the game 3-2 and have now become Rovers representatives in the Northern Finals next spring.

After the game, the team were treated to free tickets for the BRFC match against Ipswich and formed a guard of honour on the pitch as the teams ran out. They were also given the chance

to do a penalty shoot out on the pitch at half-time. We were immensely proud of all our players, both on and off the pitch.

Unfortunately the A league fixture on Monday 1st December was rained off and has been rearranged for January.

Football - B Team

On Monday 8th December our Year 5 & 6 B Team footballers continued their league fixtures at Roefield Leisure Centre. We are currently in second place in the league with more fixtures to come. Well done to all the boys involved!!

Year 1 and 2 Kurling winners!



On Thursday 11th December some of our Key Stage 1 children attended the Ribble Valley Kurling event. It was the first time they had tried kurling and they were an amazing team, winning 6 out of their 8 matches!

Well done on winning 1st place in the whole tournament.



Attendance

Holidays during school time can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and time off school is lost learning time. **Please do not book holidays during school term time.** For our term dates, please see the school website or the calendar below. <https://www.langho-st-leonards.lancs.sch.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=132>

	Year Group	% Attendance this past fortnight
1st	Year 4	97
2nd	Year 5	95.6
3rd	Year 3	95.2

Royal British Legion

We are extremely proud to say that as a school we raised a massive £395.65 from the sale of items for the poppy appeal.

Out of all of the schools in our district, we raised the most money!

Thankyou to everyone who purchased an item.



Term dates 2026-2027

Governors have now agreed term dates for 2026-27 and these can be found on our website

<https://www.langho-st-leonards.lancs.sch.uk/page/?title=Term+Dates&pid=132>

We will continue to be collecting donations in the new year! Thank you for your generosity!



Following our successful Harvest fundraiser, we have launched our winter fundraiser, partnered with Nightsafe. This time, we are on the lookout for items of clothing - **especially warm winter clothes and smart interview clothes**. As the temperature falls over winter, thick, warm clothing would be perfect for the 16-25 year olds who utilise the Nightsafe service.

The young people who use the service are very unlikely to have access to interview clothes. It would really help Nightsafe if the facility was able to have a bank of interview clothes, which could be used to help a young person get a job.

If you are unable to donate items of clothing but would still like to support such an important cause, we are always on the lookout for long-lasting food and drink items, as well as toiletries and cleaning products. Please see the posters above for requested items.

As ever, thank you for your continued support - we really could not support Nightsafe without your love and generosity.

Thank you,

Charity Ambassadors

UPCOMING EVENTS

PE and Sports

Unfortunately the BeeStingers Netball was rained off before half-term but it has been rescheduled for 21st April.

Sports events Spring 1:

- Year 5&6 League B football- Monday 12th January - To develop valuable physical, social and communication skills through working as a team to achieve a common goal.
- Year 5&6 League A football- Monday 19th January- To develop valuable physical, social and communication skills through working as a team to achieve a common goal.
- Year 5&6 Glow dodgeball- Tuesday 20th January- To work as a team to develop various social and physical skills whilst taking part in numerous glow-in-the-dark dodgeball games.
- KS2 Panathlon - Wednesday 21st January-To work as a team to develop various social and physical skills whilst taking part in engaging and inclusive activity stations.
- Year 5&6 Sportshall Athletics - Thursday 28th January- To participate in a range of activities focusing on agility, balance and co-ordination whilst working in a team.

Reception September 2026

Is your child due to start Reception class in September 2026?

If you would like to view our school but have not been able to attend the open days or open evening, please contact the school office on 01254 247156.

Lancashire School Admissions: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-primary-school/>

Closing date for Reception Admissions is Thursday 15th January.

REMINDERS

PE Health and Safety

Children are not permitted to wear earrings during PE due to Lancashire Health and Safety rules. If earrings cannot be taken out, then please supply plasters for your child to cover them with.

DIARY DATES

(New events are highlighted in yellow)






AUTUMN 2	
Mon 15th Dec	Year 6 and Choir at Blackburn Cathedral to perform a lunchtime concert.
Tue 16th Dec	Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity Performances (2:30pm and 5:30pm) - Letter has been sent home.
Wed 17th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch Santa Dash! for all children (in school - moved from Friday 12th)

	6:00pm - 9 Lessons and Carols in Old Langho Church (School Choir singing)
Fri 19th Dec	1:30pm School closes for Christmas Holidays
Wed 24th Dec	4:00pm Crib Service at St. Leonard's Langho Church 6:00pm First Eucharist of Christmas at St. Leonard's Langho Church
Thu 25th Dec	9:30am Family Eucharist at St. Leonard's Langho Church
Spring 1	
Mon 5th Jan	8:40am School reopens
Fri 9th Jan	Robins Swimming 1/5
Wed 14th Jan	9:00am - HERONS - lead Worship in church
Fri 16th Jan	Robins Swimming 2/5
Fri 23rd Jan	Robins Swimming 3/5
Wed 28th Jan	9:00am - EAGLES - lead Worship in church
Fri 30th Jan	Robins Swimming 4/5
Fri 6th Feb	Robins Swimming 5/5
Wed 11th Feb	9:00am - DOVES - lead Worship in church
Fri 13th Feb	Swifts Swimming 1/5 3:30pm School closes for half-term break Y6 Young Voices Concert, Manchester
Spring 2	
Mon 23rd Feb	8:40am School reopens
Fri 27th Feb	Swifts Swimming 2/5
Thu 5th Mar	World Book Day (Wear pyjamas or comfy clothes - no onesies please)
Fri 6th Mar	Swifts Swimming 3/5
Fri 13th Mar	Swifts Swimming 4/5
Tue 17th Mar	Y4 Let's Go Sing Concert at King George's Hall - Further details to be announced.
Thu 19th Mar	2:30pm Y5 Brass Concert - School Hall
Fri 20th Mar	Swifts Swimming 5/5
Fri 27th Mar	1:30pm School closes for Easter Holidays.
Summer 1	
Mon 13th Apr	8:40am School reopens
Mon 4th May	School Closed - Early May Bank Holiday
Mon 11th May - Thu 14th May	Y6 KS2 SATS Test https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-2-national-curriculum-tests-and-results-information-for-parents/2025-key-stage-2-national-curriculum-tests-information-for-parents
Fri 22nd May	3:30pm School closes for half-term break

Summer 2

Tue 2nd Jun	8:40am School reopens
Tue 2nd Jun - Fri 12th Jun	Y4 Multiplication Check https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/multiplication-tables-check-information-for-parents
Mon 8th Jun - Fri 12th Jun	Y1 Phonics Screening Check https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/phonics-screening-check-information-for-parents
Fri 26th Jun	School Closed to children (INSET)
Thu 2nd Jul	2:30pm Y5 Brass Concert - School Hall
Fri 17th Jul	1:30pm School closes for Summer Holidays

Winter Menu

<p><u>WINTER MENU 2025</u></p>	<p><u>MONDAY</u></p> 	<p><u>TUESDAY</u></p> 	<p><u>WEDNESDAY</u></p> 	<p><u>THURSDAY</u></p> 	<p><u>FRIDAY</u></p> 
<p><u>WEEK ONE</u></p>	<p>Mandy's Sugo Pasta with Breads ticks, Salad or Peas</p> <p>Baked potato with choice of filling</p> <p>Dessert of the day</p>	<p>Chicken Sausage & Mash Served with Mixed Vegetables</p> <p>Vegan Sausage & Mash served with Mixed Vegetables</p> <p>Dessert of the day</p>	<p>British Roast dinner with all the trimmings</p> <p>Vegetarian Bake/Roast</p> <p>Dessert of the day</p>	<p>Chicken Curry Served with Mixed Rice, Peas/Sweetcorn & Naan Bread</p> <p>(Vegetarian option available)</p> <p>Dessert of the day</p>	<p>Margherita Pizza Served with Oven Baked Chips or Salad</p> <p>Harris Ramsdens Breaded Fish Served with Chips &</p>

					Peas Treat of the week
<u>WEEK TWO</u>	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta Served with Bread & Peas Baked potato with choice Dessert of the day	Meat & Potato Pie served with Red Cabbage and fresh bread. Quorn option available Dessert of the day	British Roast dinner with all the trimmings Vegetarian Bake/Roast Dessert of the day	Chilli Con Carne Served with Mixed Rice, Peas/Sweetcorn & Tortilla Wraps (Vegetarian Option Available) Dessert of the day	Red Tractor Beef Burger Served in A Bun with Chips & Salad Linda McCartney Vegan Burger Served with Chips & Salad Treat of the week
<u>WEEK THREE</u>	Hot Pot Bean Bake Served with Savoury Rice & Tortilla Wraps Baked potato with choice of filling Dessert of the day	Meatballs in A Rich Tomato Sauce Served with Potato Wedges Quorn Meatballs with Tomato Sauce, Served with Potato Wedges	British Roast dinner served with Mash potatoes and seasonal vegetables. (Vegetarian option available) Vegetarian Bake Dessert	Chinese Chicken with Mixed Rice Served with Peas/Sweetcorn Quorn Chicken Served with Mixed Rice, Peas/Sweetcorn & Tortilla Wraps	Rotating Chicken Shack, Served with Chips & Salad (Vegetarian Option Available) Treat of the week

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Seasonal vegetables and fruit served daily

Yoghurt and water available daily

Fruit juice and milk served once per week

One non-confectionery treat served once per week

Bread available daily

Limited jackets and sandwiches will be available on the hatch every day

Jacket potato fillings: Cheese, tuna or beans

Roast dinner meat will differ (Chicken or Beef)



Bring a friend!

**Event #400
Sunday 14.12.25**



Burnley junior parkrun

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🏃🏃 This Sunday, 14th December 2025, we'll be celebrating our 400th event — a huge milestone for our amazing community of young runners, volunteers, and supporters 🎉

🏃🏃 To mark the occasion, we're aiming for record attendance....which currently stands at 124.

Bring a friend, a sibling, a schoolmate, or anyone who's curious to give junior parkrun a go. Whether they're seasoned runners or first-timers, everyone's welcome.

📍 Towneley Park

🕒 8.55am for welcome and warm up

Let's make this a morning to remember. See you there — and don't forget to tag your parkrun pals **#Event400 #BringAFriend #parkrunFamily #TowneleyPark**

*CHRISTMAS
AT ST LEONARD'S*



CHRISTMAS EVE

4PM - CRIB SERVICE

6PM - FIRST EUCHARIST OF CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS DAY

9.30AM - FAMILY EUCHARIST



SIGN UP!



FREE TO ATTEND

VENUE ST MICHAELS CE HIGH SCHOOL ASTLEY RD, CHORLEY PR7 1RS
WHEN SATURDAY 17 TH JANUARY 2026
TIME 10AM-3:30PM

 **#WHEREWILLMUSICTAKEYOU**  **LANCASHIRE MUSIC SERVICE**

Young brass players 18 and under, beginners to advanced, are invited to join us once again for Brass Day 2026!

The day will consist of workshops, masterclasses, performances and more.

Date: 17th January 2026, 10.00am – 3.30pm

Venue: St Michaels CE High School, Chorley, PR7 1RR

[Click here to sign up](#)

Never played before but want to try? Come and join our 'First notes' sessions as part of the day!

Taster session times will be emailed out upon sign up.

Thankyou.

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DAY

