



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

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Worship



Our 'Big Question' for this term is "How can we live in God's power?"

We extend a very warm welcome to Fr. Mike Print, who will be the new priest-in-charge at St. Leonard's parish. Please see below for an invitation to attend his institution service on **Thursday 10th July at 7:30pm**. Welcome Fr. Mike, we hope that you will be very happy in Langho!

Sports Day and Summer Fair - TOMORROW!!!

We look forward to welcoming you on Friday 20th June in the morning for sports day and after school for the Summer Fair.

Please can ALL children wear their PE kits.

9:05 - 10:10 Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 Sports Day

10:30-11:30 Y3 - Y6 Sports Day

3:30 - Summer Fair



Musical Performance



On Wednesday this week the whole school was treated to a fantastic performance by two young, local musicians who play for the National Youth Orchestra. They took children on a musical tour through history and wowed them with their violin and viola skills. Year 5 and 6 children then had the opportunity to learn more and ask questions. What an inspiring session!

We look forward to our own Year 5 children's brass performance on **Thursday next week at 2:30pm**.

Reception Balance Bikes

The children have enjoyed using the Balance Bikes this week. They all listened carefully, used the bikes safely and developed a range of skills. Well done everyone!



Sports News!

Ribble Valley Girls' League Champions Whoop whoop!!!



SUPERSTARS

Hockey 'quicksticks' festival



Sports Events and Intents

Summer 2 Competition Intents:

- 25th June Year 5/6 Bee Stingers Netball Tournament- To develop valuable physical, social and communication skills through working as a team to achieve a common goal.
- 26th June Year 5/6 Quad Kids- To compete in a range of athletics field and track events.
- 27th June Year 5/6 Tag Rugby - To develop rugby skills and to work as a team to successfully compete against other schools.
- 4th July- KS1 Girls' Disney Football Festival - To learn and develop new football skills through taking part in various engaging activity stations.
- 10th July- Year 5/6 Summer Fun Rounders- To develop the fundamental physical and social skills required to play rounders.

Camp Out for Charity

Our Charity Ambassadors are excited to invite you and your children to take in our Camp Out Fundraiser, taking place over the **weekend of Friday 4th July 2025**.



This special event is in support of **NightSafe**, a charity helping homeless and vulnerable young people in our local community, and **Kishunju Primary School**, our partner school in Uganda, where many children face daily challenges due to a lack of resources.



We would love for families to promote our JustGiving page to raise donations. And if you do take part, feel free to share your Camp Out photos—we'd love to see your creative setups!

Please see the full letter for more details.

Just Giving Page: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/camp-out?utm_medium=CR&utm_source=CL

Carbon Footprint Awareness Week: Monday 7th - Friday 11th July



Our Eco Ambassadors have arranged a Carbon Footprint Awareness Week in which they are encouraging all students, families, and staff to consider alternative, eco-friendly ways of travelling to and from school wherever possible. These could include walking, riding bikes or scooters, carpooling with other families or using public transport.

Throughout the week, students will also be learning about the effects of carbon emissions on the planet and how they can be part of positive environmental change.

Please see the full letter for more details.



One of our talented mums, Laura, is running an incredible 52 miles over 6 days completing the '**Tour of Merseyside**' beginning 29th June, and raising much needed funds for PTSD UK.

PTSD UK is the only UK charity dedicated to the education about and awareness raising of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, it's causes, symptoms & the treatments available - no matter the trauma that caused it. Their mission is to provide support and information for anyone affected by PTSD (and their friends and families), raise awareness and promote understanding of the condition and treatments available.

Please find below the Just Giving link to support Laura and this great cause.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/laura-singleton-5?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=015

Details of the races (times and venues) below if anyone from our school family would like to go along and cheer her on!!



Race 1. Half Marathon 13.1 miles. Sunday 29th June, Start Time 10.00am. Rimrose Valley Country Park, Bootle, L22 3YX.

Race 2. Thurstaston Multi terrain 5.9 miles. As the title suggests a tough off road event with beach, hills and trail.

Race 3. The Ralla 10 miler. Flat and fast along the old railway line pushing you to half way.

Race 4. The River Mersey 5 miler. The shortest distance but the biggest challenge... in fancy dress!!

Race 5. Stadt Moers Park Cross Country. 6 miles and a good old fashioned up hill and down dale 2 lap chase.

Race 6. Wirral Coastal 12 miler. New Brighton to West Kirby and back with a bit of beach thrown in at half way.

Nut Free School

Please be reminded that we are a **nut free school**. Nuts or products containing nuts such as Kinder Bueno or Hippos, or any chocolate bars containing nuts such as Picnic or Snickers must not come into school, this includes within children's packed lunches.



Please send only water in water bottles for drinking in classrooms. Any cordial, juices etc. can be consumed at lunchtime as part of a packed lunch. Nothing fizzy please.

Many children wish to send in treats to be given out at the end of a school day to celebrate their birthday. If you choose to do this for your child, please only send in chocolate buttons or fun size

that does not contain nuts, and/or haribo type sweets. Hard boiled sweets or lollies are not allowed due to the choking hazard they present.

If you do not want your child to have a treat from a classmate, then please let their class teacher, and the child themselves, know.

Changeable Weather



In this changeable weather, please make sure your child is prepared. Please remember to send your child into school with a cap or **sunhat**, a **full water bottle** and wearing **sunscreen** each day so they are protected at playtimes, as well as a **raincoat** for those showers that we keep having! Every class has water bottle carriers so that on hot lunchtimes children can have their water outside as well. Please be reminded that only water is allowed in classrooms.

Lost Property

Please ensure that all of your children's uniform items are named. Named items are returned to children, unnamed items cannot be returned. Please check the cupboard outside the front of school for unnamed lost property.

Welfare Assistant Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Welfare Assistant.

If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact the school office staff for an informal discussion.

(Tel: 01254 247156)



Jewellery and Trainers

A polite reminder about our school uniform. Children should not be bringing things into school that cause a distraction or contravene health and safety considerations such as **jewellery or large hair accessories**. Please see the excerpts below from the uniform policy for clarity.

“Jewellery is not allowed with the exception of small, plain, stud earrings and a sensible watch. (No smart watches)” (page 7)

“Large, excessive hair accessories should not be worn; however, small hair clips or plain headbands are acceptable.” (page 8)

Also a reminder that **trainers** are not part of our school uniform except on PE days. Please ensure that your child is wearing **flat, plain black shoes** as per our school uniform policy. Thank you for your support.



Book Bags from September 2025

Advanced notice that from September 2025, there will be a change to the bags permitted as part of our uniform policy. This change is being made because space is limited within classrooms and cloakrooms for the storing of bags. Rucksacks and large bags will no longer be permitted as daily school bags.

This is our new wording as per the uniform policy which will be published on our website shortly.

Book bags should be;

- blue or navy, (Book bags with our school logo are available from our uniform suppliers but no logo is required.)
- landscape
- large enough to hold children's books and reading diaries comfortably without causing any damage, but measuring no more than 35cm wide, 30cm tall and 7cm deep.

Examples:



Book bags that fit the amended policy are readily available online or can be purchased from our uniform suppliers. Please note that **NO LOGO IS REQUIRED**.

As an exception, Year 5 and 6 children next year (2025-2026) will be permitted to continue to have a rucksack/backpack as per the pre-existing uniform policy. They may bring a book bag if preferred. After that, (September 2026 and beyond) only Year 6 children will be permitted a rucksack but again may bring a book bag if preferred.



St Leonard's
C of E Church
Langho & Billington

The Church Wardens & Parochial Church Council
request the pleasure of your company
at the Institution by
The Right Reverend Joseph Kennedy, Bishop of Burnley
of Father Mike Print
as Priest-in-charge of St. Leonard's Langho & Billington
at St. Leonard's Church Langho
on Thursday 10th July 2025 at 7.30pm

Clergy & Readers are invited to robe if they wish
(Surplice/Cotta and White Stole)
Robing will take place in St. Leonard's CoE Primary School

Car Parking is available at Mytton Fold Hotel

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*You are cordially invited
to join us for refreshments after the service
in church.*

RSVP to Beth Massaro by 1st July 2025
St Leonards Church,
Whalley Road, Langho, Blackburn, Lancashire. BB6 8AB
Email: bethjustbeth@live.com



SUMMER TERM 2 DONATIONS FOR NIGHTSAFE



As a school we have partnered with a local charity, Nightsafe. We would love your support if you are in the position to donate towards those less fortunate than ourselves. There is a collection box at the top of school near the main entrance.

Thank you.

Food

Biscuits
Noodles
Packet pasta meals
Pot noodles
Tinned fish
Tinned meat
Soup
Cereal
Sauces
Rice
Tinned fruit
Custard
Rice Pudding
Jam





Toiletries

Toilet roll
Soap
Body Wash
Tooth brush
Tooth paste
Body wash
Baby wipes
Sanitary towels

Summer Supplies and toys



This Fortnight's Attendance

|  | Class | % Attendance this fortnight |
|---|--------------|--|
|  | Doves | 98.3 |
|  | Owls | 98.1 |
|  | Eagles | 96.6 |

Diary Dates

| Summer 2 | |
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| Thursday 19th June | 5:30pm Reception 2025 Starters Parents' Meeting |
| Friday 20th June | Sports Day and Summer Fair 9:05 - 10:10 Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 10:30-11:30 Y3 - Y6 3:30 - Summer Fair |
| Thursday 26th June | 2:30pm Y5 Brass Concert |
| Thursday 26th June | Y1/2 Blackpool Zoo Visit |
| Monday 30th June - Wednesday 2nd July | Y6 Robinwood Residential |
| Thursday 3rd July | Y5 Brockholes Visit |
| Thursday 3rd July | 9:15 - 12:00 Reception 2025 Starters Stay and Play |
| Friday 4th July | 9am - Worship in church, led by Eagles - ALL WELCOME |
| Friday 4th - Sunday 6th July | Camp Out Weekend (see above) |
| Monday 7th - Friday 11th July | Carbon Footprint Awareness Week (see above) |
| Thursday 10th July | 9am - Worship in church, led by Doves - ALL WELCOME |
| Monday 14th July | 6pm - current Year 5 parents - Year 6 2025-2026 Information Session |
| Tuesday 15th July | 6:00pm Y6 Performance |
| Wednesday 16th July | 3:30pm-4:15pm End of Reception Year Celebration |
| Wednesday 16th July | 6-8pm Y6 Leavers' Party |
| Friday 18th July | 9:00am - Y6 Leavers' Service in Church |
| Friday 18th July | 1:30pm - School Closes for the Summer Holidays |
| 2025-2026 School Year: Autumn 1 | |
| Tuesday 2nd September | School Reopens for children |



Ribble Valley Netball Club

Why choose RVNC?

- **Inclusive Environment:** We welcome players from age 4 to adults, ensuring everyone can grow and excel.
- **Expert Coaching:** Our evidence-based training sessions are led by passionate coaches dedicated to helping young netballers reach their full potential, including England Thorn & Thunder Men's shooter, James Firminger.
- **Proven Track Record:** Many of our players have progressed to county academies, regional pathways, and professional teams. Commonwealth Games gold medallist & former England Roses Captain Natalie Metcalf started her journey with us!
- **Strong Partnerships:** We collaborate with Elite Netball Academy to provide top-tier coaching and development opportunities.
- **Holistic Development:** Working with our club umpire, Sarah Gallagher and Lancashire Officiating lead, Helen Tomlinson we support our players to build on their netball skills through officiating qualifications. Sarah is a qualified official at the highest level 'A Award' and offers mentoring to our U14s + through 'Into Officiating and C Award support.

Join Us! Whether you're new to netball or looking to take your game to the next level, RVNC is the place for you. Let's work hard, play harder, and achieve greatness together! Simply head to <https://www.ribblevalleynetballclub.com/new-starter-documents> to find out more or email ribblevalleynetball@yahoo.co.uk

A powerpoint information pack is available from the school office. Please call 01254 247156 or email office@langho-st-leonards.lancs.sch.uk for more information.



St Leonard's Church Langho

invites **you** to



A Family



Fun Day



SATURDAY 5th July



Service at St Leonard's Church, Langho from 12 noon,
then in the Community Centre

Enrolment of the
Young People's
Ambassador and his
team



Exciting stalls

Live music

Delicious food
and treats

BBQ

Fun Games

Bouncy Castle



Walk of Witness at 11.30am from the Whalley Old Road
cul de sac, (near the railway bridge) to church.



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LANCASHIRE SINGS

WITH THE

NATIONAL YOUTH CHOIR

A DAY'S WORKSHOP
AGE 8+

SIGN UP!



**NATIONAL
YOUTH CHOIR**



AKS LYTHAM

SUNDAY 13TH JULY 10-3.30
SIGN UP TODAY

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