



St John's News

Issue 06 – Wednesday 10th June 2026

Attendance

100%

National Target for Attendance	Percentage Attendance For the Period 02.09.25 – 05.06.26	
96%	Robins	93 %
	Herons	94 %
	Kestrels	93 %
	Kingfishers	93 %
	Falcons	95 %
	Owls	96 %
	SCHOOL TOTAL	94 %

Attendance has remained steady since the last Newsletter. Well done to Owl Class, who have maintained 96% in line with the national target. Please do your best to send your child into school every day and on time. As you are aware, we are now focussing not just on attendance, but on punctuality as well. See below for the latest information.

PUNCTUALITY – BE IN TIME FOR 5 TO 9

Remember our school day starts PROMPTLY at 8.55 am so all children need to be in school at this time, not just arriving! It can be very disruptive for all when children come in late. Thank you to all who get their children here on time.

Each class has been given a Mr Potato Head as an incentive for getting to school on time. If every child in the class arrives on time, the class can put a body part on their Mr Potato Head and when he is fully assembled, the class can have a reward of their choosing. Please help your child not to be late so that they can help their class to win!

Minutes late during week commencing 1st June 2026:

Robins: 10 minutes

Herons: 125 minutes

Kestrels: 100 minutes

Kingfishers: 65 minutes

Falcons: 20 minutes

Owls: 55 minutes



The total minutes late for the week was 375 which is over 6 hours of learning lost!

Well done to Robin Class for having the least late arrivals – they have earned an extra playtime.



After School Club Provision

The Nest after school club is open every day during term time, from 3.25pm – 6.00pm – where your child can take part in lots of fun activities like painting, colouring and games in the hall, as well as lots of games outside. All children are given snacks and drinks on entry and throughout the time they are there. At £8.50 per session, this is a bargain. Please remember to book and pay in advance. We do allow ad-hoc attendance but it must be paid for on the day. Thank you for your support. If you would like your child to attend and they haven't been before, ask in school for a registration form and details on how to book and pay.

SCHOOL VALUE

This half term our school value is 'Respect'.

"Do for others what you want them to do for you: this is the meaning of the Law of Moses and of the teachings of the prophets." *Matthew 7:12*

If we could all just live by this rule, then the world would be a wonderful place - let us try and do just a little bit more of this - treat everyone and everything with a little more respect.

UNIFORM

I know that it is the summer term, but please ensure that all children are in the correct uniform. We have lots of children in trainers. Trainers should only be worn on PE days. Summer uniform may be worn – but do watch out for the weather as it is very changeable at the moment.

ONLINE SAFETY

Keep an eye on the school Facebook page as Miss Parker shares a weekly fact sheet about keeping safe online. If you aren't connected on Facebook, please do have a look – lots of information goes on the page and it is often the quickest way to see what's going on.

"Great Harwood St John's CE Primary School" – Find us on Facebook.

Quote of the day..... "Check what they see" – don't leave your children mindlessly going through YouTube or online. Please do check the history and look over their shoulder – young children shouldn't be on screens for long periods of time. Have a look at these – what are your children's limits? If their screen time is beyond what is recommended, please try to reduce it and get your child outside more!

Recommended Time Limits by Age:

Under 2 Years: Avoid solo screen time entirely. The only exception is for shared activities that encourage bonding and real-time conversation.

2 to 5 Years: Cap total time at a maximum of 1 hour per day.

6 to 18 Years: Limit usage to 1-2 hours per day and ensure there are at least 60 minutes dedicated to physical activity.

If you are worried about something, please don't hesitate to talk to your class teacher or Miss Parker.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>



School nurse and SEND Drop-in Session

The next drop-in session will be held on Tuesday 23rd June at 9.00 a.m. in the school hall. Come and see the school nurse or Mrs Smith the SENCo, to talk about any concerns or worries you may have about your child (including diet, toileting, sleep, behaviour etc).



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

This is an action-packed term - we have already had to change dates so please check these carefully. Thank you.

Fri 12th June: Bikeability - Owl Class.

Wed 17th June: EYFS (Reception Class) New Parents Meeting at 6.00 p.m. at Nuttall Avenue.

Thurs 18th June: Y4/5 Trip to Quirky Quarter in Liverpool.

Thurs 18th June: Transition session 1 of 3 (everyone except Yr 4/5 pupils).

Fri 19th June: Y6 Transition Prayer Spaces.

WC Mon 22nd June - Sports Week:

Mon: Ninja Warriors

Tues: Colour Run (slips and payment must be returned beforehand please).

Wed: Archery

Thurs: Dance

Fri: Summer Fair - Family Picnic - parents welcome 1.30 p.m. onwards.

Thurs 25th June: Kestrel Class trip to Lytham Beach.

Mon 29th June: Year 5/6 Team Building (selected pupils).

Tues 30th June: Music Performance at 2.45 p.m. by the children in Falcons and Owls who do music with Mrs. England.

Wed 1st July: Y6 Transition Day (different schools have slightly different days).

Thurs 2nd July: Whole school transition session 2 of 3. 2-3.00 p.m. including new starters in Reception.

Fri 3rd July: KS1 Music Showcase - more information to follow.

Mon 6th July: Sports Day: KS1 9.30 start - KS2 1.30 start. (Weather permitting).

Tues 7th July: French Day - more information to follow.

Wed 8th July: Reserve Sports Day: KS2 9.30 start - KS1 1.30 start (note change of start time for each Key Stage).

Thurs 9th July: Kingfisher Class Music Performance at 1.30 p.m.

Thurs 9th July: Rounders event after school (selected pupils).

Fri 10th July: Final School Worship - Stars of Term/Year awards - selected parents to be invited to attend.

Mon 13th July: School Reports out to parents.

Tues 14th July: Playleaders' event.

Wed 15th July: Parental drop-in session to discuss reports if necessary.

Wed 15th July: RSE Consultation drop-in for parents if needed.

Wed 15th July: Y6 Leavers' meal at Checcos at 5.30 p.m.

Fri 17th July: Year 6 Leavers' Final Worship - all Y6 parents invited to attend.

Fri 17th July: **END OF YEAR - PHEW!**

Wed 2nd Sept: School re-opens - look forward to welcoming you all back - good luck to all of our current Y6's as they start Y7 😊