St Anne's CE Lydgate

Weekly Newsletter : 06.11.2026



Message from Mr Learmont

Welcome back to the Autumn 2 term! This is possibly the busiest and for some, the most fun! So much happening in the run up to Christmas and we still have a curriculum to cover! We started the term on a high, with our African Drumming Day on Monday and I know, from the show of hands(!), that the children had a great time during their class session. Thank you again to the PTA for funding this event.
If you haven't seen the newly 'enhanced' reception area in school I shared a few photos on Google Classroom for you. Dave Draws (artist) has created a fabulous homage to our beautiful local area and we are delighted with the outcome. It is a true celebration of the school, community and wider area, with links to our bespoke curriculum. All this makes us who we are and we have lots to feel proud of...
Thank you for signing up for your Parent/Teacher meeting. This is a great opportunity to hear how your child has settled into the academic year and targets they may be working towards. Positive partnerships between home and school always ensure the very best chances for our children. Great!
You are all invited to look at your child's books across a morning or afternoon session, as done previously, on Thursday 26th November. Please see the times here...
Here's to a wonderful few weeks!

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 9 — Reception Virtual Parent Meetings
- 10 — Year 1 Virtual Parent Meetings; Year 2 Local Walk
- 12 — Year 2 Virtual Parent Meetings
- 13 — Year 2 Eureka!
- 16 — Year 5 Virtual Parent Meetings
- 17 — Year 4 Virtual Parent Meetings; Prospective Parent Tour-Reception 2027; Around the world theme day - Miquill
- 18 — Year 3 Virtual Parent Meetings; Prospective Parent Tour-Reception 2027
- 19 — Year 6 Virtual Parent Meetings; Dress down day for tombola donation; Prospective Parent Tour-Reception 2027
- 20 — Year 6 Takeover Day
- 26 — Parent drop-in/book look 8.45am-9.15am & 3.15pm-5.00pm
- 27 — PTA Disco - 6.30pm
- 30 — Year 2 The Snowman

DECEMBER

- 1 — Love Lydgate Light Switch-on 6pm; PTA Meeting White Hart - 7.30pm
- 2 — Rocksteady Music Performance
- 8 — RE Day: Christmas Around the World
- 9 — Bishop Mark - Child Bishops; Saddleworth Male Voice Choir & St Anne's Singing Group - Concert

Please also refer to our website calendar for all future events

Reminders

Arbor - In case you missed it, parents can pay with Apple Pay or Google Pay for all card payments in Arbor, and can save card details for faster checkout next time.

Lost Property - we currently have 3 cardigans, 1 jumper, 2 polo shirts and a black F&F coat in lost property. Please contact the office if they could belong to your child.
Please remember to put your child's name in/on their belongings, so we can return any lost property to them.
Thank you in advance.

Attendance: 97%

Reception: 97%
Year 1: 94%
Year 2: 99%
Year 3: 98%
Year 4: 97%
Year 5: 98%
Year 6: 98%

Lates: **15**

This half term's worship focus is:
Faith
British Value:
Tolerance

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'All things are possible with God' Mark 10:27

Attendance

At Forward As One it is our ambition to have every child in school every day and therefore a robust and effective attendance strategy is implemented in every school.

Attendance is everybody's responsibility and Forward As One's school senior leaderships teams strive to build a culture where all staff are clear on their roles and responsibilities and therefore can be held to account. To enable all staff to fulfil their role, clear systems and procedures are implemented and are understood by all and applied consistently.

Forward As One's approach focuses on preventative measures and swift intervention. This allows leaders to plan for contextual challenges, alongside educating parents on the impact of absence from school both academically and socially.

The key principle underpinning the approach of early intervention is to develop partnerships with parents to understand the barriers and work with families to remove them.



Maximise your potential – attend school everyday

Pupils' achievement in line with attendance percentages / Pupils across FA1 at this level of attendance have historically achieved	Significantly above national average progress
	Above national average progress
	National average progress
	Below national average progress
	Significantly below national average progress
	Very significantly below national average progress


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Primary School Applications 2027-28

Closing Date: 15th January 2027 at 5.00pm

Please follow the link below to apply via Oldham Council:
https://www.oldham.gov.uk/info/201167/ apply_ for_ a_ primary_ school_ place

If you, or anyone you know, would like to book a place on one of our Open Days in November, please follow the link below:
https://www.stannescelydgate.oldham.sch.uk/Reception-2027-28-School-Tour-Dates/

FREE SCHOOL MEAL CHECKER

Could your child be entitled to free school meals and/or pupil premium?

Please do not presume they are not!

From the start of the 2026-27 academic year, Free School Meal eligibility is expanding. There will now be two categories of benefits-based FSM:

Targeted FSM - for households receiving Universal Credit with annual earnings of £7,400 or less. This is unchanged from the existing threshold and continues to attract pupil premium and other disadvantage funding.

Expanded FSM - a new category for households receiving Universal Credit with earnings above £7,400. These pupils receive free meals but do not attract pupil premium or other disadvantage funding.

Please kindly follow or copy the link below to check and/or update your child's entitlement:

https://fsm.lgfl.net/app

Parent FAQs: https://fsm.lgfl.net/info-parent.html

PLEASE NOTE: You may lose your FSM entitlement if you do not re-verify either with the LA or via a school portal. (You can even do both for added security). School can check on your behalf if we have your National Insurance Number and Date of Birth.
Please feel free to email the office.