



St Anne's CE Lydgate

Weekly Newsletter : 23.10.2026



Message from Mr Learmont

As we end the half-term, I would like to thank our parents for your continued support for school. It has been a long and very busy 8 weeks but the time flies and it will soon be Spring! Lots more to discover, learn and enjoy in Autumn 2...

Thank you also, to our school staff who work tirelessly to ensure that our children have the very best opportunities they can. We are very lucky in lots of ways.

I wish you all a great break and the children a good rest! We look forward to seeing them back with us on Monday 2nd November when they will enjoy participating in our African Drumming Day - an ever-popular celebration!

Keep an eye on the calendar events for information about what is coming up.

Best wishes and again - thank you. :)

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 2 Return to school
- African Drumming Workshop
- 3 PTA Meeting - White Hart 7.30pm
- 5 Individual School Photographs
- 8.30am pre-school siblings
- 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
- Year 4 Virtual Parent Meetings
- 17 Prospective Parent Tour-Reception 2027
- Around the world theme day - Miquill
- 18 Year 3 Virtual Parent Meetings
- Prospective Parent Tour-Reception 2027
- Year 6 Virtual Parent Meetings
- 19 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

Please also refer to our website calendar for all future events

Reminders

School Grid - please ensure you order your child/ren's meals on School Grid in readiness for our return on Monday 2nd November. Thank you for your support.

Year 6 parents - the deadline to apply for a secondary school place for your child is **31st October 2026 at 5.00pm.**



School photographs - will be taken on Thursday 5th November.
If you have a pre-school sibling, please feel free to come to the office at 8.30am to have their photo taken with your child.

Attendance: 94%

Reception: 91%

Year 1: 96%

Year 2: 97%

Year 3: 95%

Year 4: 94%

Year 5: 96%

Year 6: 92%

Lates: 7 😞

This half term's worship focus is:
All things are possible with God



British Value:
Democracy

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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

Year 1 Art Day



PTA Rainbow Raffle





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.