



Newsletter

28th November 2025

Dear Parents, Friends and Neighbours,

We're excited to share all the festive fun happening over the coming weeks!

The children have been busy creating some wonderful crafts for the Village Hall Christmas Fair, and they can't wait for you to see them.

The Fair opens at 2:00pm, with lots of lovely stalls to explore, plus a cake sale and café in the top hall. We'd love for you to come along and help support our local community.

As always, Ms Connell will be in the top hall selling our school gifts, and she would really appreciate any Year 6 helpers who are available on the day. The PTFA stall will be offering £1 bags and happily accepting bag donations too. They will also be selling raffle tickets for the school raffle, which will be drawn at the KS1 Nativity on Thursday, 14th December.

Each family has already received two books of raffle tickets to sell, and if you'd like extra books for friends or relatives, just pop into the office—we have some fantastic prizes this year!

We're also looking forward to taking part once again in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. Children are invited to wear a festive or sparkly jumper on Wednesday and bring along a £1 donation (or use the online link) to support this wonderful charity.

We hope to see many of you joining in the festive celebrations!

100 Club Winners

October

£5: Victoria Cronshaw
£10: James Noblett
£15: Emma Walker

November

£5: Red
£10: Joe
£15: Keri Millar

A gentle reminder to all parents and carers: please use the school car park during drop-off and pick-up times. We've noticed an increase in families using the road instead, which can create congestion and safety concerns for our children. Using the car park helps keep everyone safe and makes the process smoother for all. Thank you for your cooperation and continued support!

Whitechapel Stars and Writers

Rowan Class

- Joshua - for being an active learner in class.
- Dotty - for excellent independence in writing in English.
- Isla - for learning her lines for the play.
- Edith - for using her phonics to support her writing

Maple Class

- Arthur - for great teamworking.
- Layna - for a fantastic start to her own version of The Pied Piper.
- Charlie - for a really positive and resilient attitude.
- Luca - for showcasing all his writing skills in his version of The Pied Piper.

Oak Class

- Henson - for an excellent opening to a biography.
- Ellen - for a mature attitude towards learning.
- Henson - for applying prior knowledge.
- Freddie - for a well written biography.

Well done to all of our award winners—you've made us proud! Keep up the fantastic work!

Please remember to book your child's school dinners on ParentPay by Sunday for the following week. This helps us ensure accurate meal numbers. Thank you!

WOOSC STARS OF THE WEEK

Angus - for Meticulous attention to detail and excellent creativity colouring a St Andrews picture.

Isla Rod - for a special celebration for Isla's wreath during our autumn week.

The children will be performing a selection of Christmas songs in the church. Parents are warmly invited to this whole-school celebration on Monday 15th December at 2:30pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Dates for the Diary

29th November	Whitechapel Village Hall Christmas Fair- 2pm -4pm
3rd December	Christmas Jumper & Dinner Day
3rd December	Carols at the Cross Keys-School Choir Only
9th December	Catch-up Flu Vaccinations
10th December	KS1 Nativity Dress-rehearsal at 2:30pm
11th December	KS1 Nativity at 6pm
15th December	Carol Concert 2:30pm-3:15pm
18th December	Christmas Party Day
19th December	School Breaks up for Christmas Holidays at 1:30pm
5th January	School Re-opens

Christmas Performance 'Shine Star Shine' Children from Rowan and Willow classes will be taking part in the annual performance. Tickets will be allocated two per family; two for the dress rehearsal on Wednesday 10th December and two for the evening performance on Thursday 11th December. Tickets have been allocated and sent home this week.

Admissions 2026

Each year we have spaces available for 15 Reception children. Admissions to school are via Lancashire County Council and have a strict deadline.

The national closing dates for applications are:

- 15th January 2026 for primary applicants

You can apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools - it's quick and easy!