Hornby St Margaret's C E Primary School



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On Monday, Class 1 began a new unit on persuasive writing which started off with the children trying to persuade me that Christmas shouldn't be cancelled and that birthday parties are not a waste of time. Needless to say, they were very convincing with their arguments for both of these! In EYFS, we have been exploring the story of FUNNYBONES. They children have created their very own skeleton characters from different materials and have even used their phonic knowledge to write words to describe characters from the story!

Olivia from Where the Wildings are joined us again yesterday and the children had lots of fun, harvesting carrots and creating their very own herb pots to bring home. In art, the children have enjoyed combining their learning on Molly Haslund, circles and spirals to create some fantastic snail art using spirals.

This week in English, Class 2 have been exploring the poem 'I'll Rise' by Mary Angelou. The children have recited the poem, and managed to add actions and change their tone and pace. We definitely have some actors in our class! We have looked at the difference between a simile and metaphor and understood the syllable pattern of the poem before planning our suffragette poem in small groups. Hopefully by the end of today, we will have a class poem to share with you on Facebook.

In science, we have continued our 'Light' topic, with the year 3/4 deciding what type of material is best to make sunglasses out of and why we shouldn't look directly into the sun. They are getting very creative with their glasses and hopefully we'll be able to share some photos of them very soon. The year 5/6 have made a periscope, so that they can peep round corners or over heads and understood how light always travels in straight lines.

In PE, we have used our skills taught by Josh, from Wigan Warriors, to have some competitive Tag Rugby games. Even the adults joined in, which the children really loved; especially when they could grab their tag belts!

Showcase Morning – We are looking forward to welcoming parents and grandparents on Tuesday morning to our showcase event. The children's work from this half term will be available within the classroom for you to come along and enjoy with your child.

Breaktime Butty - On Friday, Danielle in the kitchen will be offering either a bacon or egg butty at morning break. If your child would like a breaktime butty, please order on Schoolmoney by <u>Monday 20th October</u>

Forest School Stay & Play Sessions – please share with any friends / family who may be interested in coming along. Every Wednesday during term time 1:15pm – 3:15pm

After School Clubs – A letter about clubs for next half term was sent home last week, we will be offering Lego, Judo, Christmas craft and Forest school. To book any of the clubs on offer, please return the form by Monday 20th October to get your child/ren booked in.

PTA Annual General Meeting - Monday 20 October - The PTA AGM will be held on Monday 20 October at 7.30pm. The meeting will be held in the school hall, and on Microsoft Teams for anyone unable to join in person. We need at least 6 people to attend the AGM for it to be quorate, so we'd appreciate your attendance to ensure that the meeting can go ahead and to ensure that as many of our children are represented as possible.



The PTA's sole purpose is to enhance our children's experience at school; the PTA has paid for the Christmas pantomime, coach trips, musical instruments, books, and much more. With your support we can ensure that the PTA is a thriving committee and generate funds for our children's enjoyment. The AGM will be an opportunity to reflect on the past year, and to elect the committee for the academic year. We'd also love to hear your suggestions for fundraising events and spending ideas. You will be warmly welcomed.

If you can't make it in person, we have a dial in option:

Microsoft Teams

Meeting ID: 390 433 575 315 5

Passcode: AB6ic7ob



Class 1 Daniel - for always trying his absolute best with everything in school. You are a pleasure to teach.

Class 2 Oli - for being the most improved at playing Tag Rugby. He now runs with determination and understands how

to attack and defend to support his team



Our Christian value for this half-term is "Love".

Assemblies and class worship will be focused on this Value and children in school who show Love will be celebrated.

Tom - for always being a supportive friend and showing love towards his peers in school.

Eva - for demonstrating a real love of learning in our poetry work. She was very keen to offer her ideas and could spot the features quickly.



What's on this week.. Monday 20th October

Craft ASC

Tuesday 21st October

Class 2 wear PE kit

Showcase morning 9:10am – 10am Everyone welcome

Table Tennis ASC

Wednesday 22nd October

Class 1 wear PE kit

Nasal flu vaccinations

Garden lunch club 12:30pm

Forest school stay & play Toddler session 1:15pm - 3:15pm

Multisport ASC

Thursday 23rd October

Class 2 wear PE kit

Rural Sports event Years 1-6

Forest school ASC

Friday 24th October

Class 1 wear PE kit

Breaktime butties – morning break

Family celebration worship 3:00pm

End of term

Advance warning...

Monday 3rd November School reopens

Tuesday 4th November Open afternoon 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Tuesday 11th November
Parents meetings

➤ Wednesday 3rd December INSET Day – school closed

Friday 5th December Open morning 9:30am – 10:30am

Tuesday 9th December Nativity 2pm & 6pm

➤ Thursday 11th December Christmas theatre trip – whole school

> Tuesday 16th December Showcase morning

> Friday 19th December End of term



Is your child due to start school in September 2026?

We warmly invite you to visit us on either: Monday 29th September 2025 9:30am - 10:30am Tuesday 4th November 2025 1:30pm - 2:30pm Friday 5th December 2025 9:30am - 10:30am

Please call Mrs Joel on 015242 21496 to book your visit, as spaces are limited per session.



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'I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full.' (John 10:10)



NHS

School Nursing Team DROP IN

First Tuesday of the month (excluding school holidays) 12.30 – 13.45.

Carnforth Hub Kellet Road, Carnforth, LA5 9LS

Speak to a member of our school nursing team about various health topics including emotional health, diet, healthy lifestyles, sleep, bed-wetting & constipation, head lice and behaviour.

