



**The Redeemer**

**Church of England Primary School**

Headteacher: Mr M Power

7<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**Monthly Update – October**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our October Monthly Update! It's hard to believe we're already five weeks into the new academic year and entering October. The start of the year has been fantastic, and we've had some great highlights.

Our Year 6 Residential was a tremendous success, blessed with beautiful weather and the stunning surroundings of the Lake District. Last week, we had the pleasure of welcoming Blackburn Rovers WFC and Granada Reports to our school for a special football training session with our girls' football team, which was an exciting experience for everyone involved.

Looking ahead, we are excited to host our Open Afternoon next Wednesday. This is always a lovely event where pupils have the opportunity to give their parents and families a tour of the school, showcase their new classroom, and share some of the work they have completed this Autumn term. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Devine

**Blackburn Rovers WFC**

The Redeemer Girls FC had an incredible opportunity to train with players from Blackburn Rovers WFC. During the session, they worked on developing their skills, knowledge, and understanding of the beautiful game. In addition to this, they were coached by an external coach who led them through fun, interactive games, skill-based challenges, and a competitive 9-a-side match.



To make the day even more special, Chris Hall from ITV Granada joined us to report on the event for Granada Reports. If you haven't had a chance to watch the report, it's available on our YouTube channel: <https://youtu.be/emFA6X8geTk>

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### Year 6 Residential Trip

Year 6 had a fantastic time at Water Park. The sun was shining throughout the week and the children had lots of fun. Ghyll scrambling, kayaking, climbing, hiking, canoeing and paddle boarding were just some of the many activities that the children threw themselves into, pushing themselves and making lasting memories. All the staff were impressed with their exemplary behaviour. They were a credit to our school.



### Tempest Photography

We are pleased to inform you that our School Photographer will be visiting on **Thursday, 17th October 2024.**

Starting at 8:30 am, you are welcome to bring your child to have their photo taken with their younger or older sibling who is not a student at The Redeemer. After registration, children will have their individual photos taken, as well as sibling photos with those attending the school. Pupils should come into school in their full uniform, if your child has PE on this day, they should bring their PE kits to get changed into after their photo.

We look forward to capturing these special moments. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

### Dogs on Site

Parents/Carers who bring their dog into the school grounds should **keep their dog on a short lead at all times.** The adult must always have control of the dog – children must never be left alone with or in charge of the dog, and dogs must not be left unattended at any time. Any dog foul should be cleaned immediately. Aggressive dogs, or those with a history of aggression, must not be brought into school grounds. Parents/Carers should keep their dogs away from pupils and classroom doors.

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### Yellow Day

We are wearing yellow (our school t-shirts) this world mental health day to show our support for children's mental health.

Lots of us struggle with our feelings sometimes and when this happens its tough. It's important to know that there are people around us who can help and were not the only ones going through it.

As yellow is a part of our school uniform, you do not need to do anything different on the day. We will simply ask the children to take off their jumper/cardigans for our BIG PHOTO shoot at some point during the day. If your child has PE on that day, they should still come to school wearing their black school PE kit.

You can find out more about children's mental health and ways to support below where there is a link to donate directly to the cause. This is completely optional.

[www.youngminds.org.uk](http://www.youngminds.org.uk)

[Donate | YoungMinds](#)

### Harvest Celebration

Yesterday, Sunday 6th October, our school community and St. Bartholomew's Parish came together for a beautiful Harvest Celebration, and it was a tremendous success. The service included performances by the school choir's and a drama performance by our Ethos and Junior Leadership Teams, emphasising the importance of helping others. There was a strong sense of unity as the many generous Harvest donations from our pupils and their families were collected, blessed, and prepared for delivery to Blackburn Foodbank and Nightsafe.



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Key Dates Autumn 1

To assist you in planning ahead, please find below the key dates for the Autumn term:

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Whole School Open Afternoon**

15:20 – 17:00

*Parents/carers pupils are invited into school, to take a tour of school, have a look at your child's class and their current books, meet class teachers and our Senior Leadership Team.*

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024 – Tempest Photography**

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Open Evening**

*Our Open Evening is an opportunity for those prospective and current parents/carers who are looking to apply for a school place for September 2025 to take a tour of school*

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Non-Uniform Day and Coffee Morning**

09:45 – 10:15

*Pupils are invited to wear their own clothes on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October, and we kindly ask for a £1 donation which will go to Macmillan Cancer Support.*

*Following on from Friday's Celebration Worship our Junior Leadership Team will be hosting a Coffee Morning with all donations going to Macmillan Cancer Support.*

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