

St. Michael's C.E. Primary School

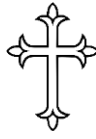
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'Immersed in a Christian Community, each individual is encouraged, challenged and nurtured to learn and grow to achieve their full potential.'

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Newsletter 20th March 2026

Weekly Class Attendance


	<p>Attendance Champions 9th - 13th March 2026</p>									
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School Trip Reminders 🚌

Before a scheduled class trip please check your child's Arbor account to make sure the trip has been paid in full.

Payment gives consent for your child to attend the trip.

 **School packed lunch:** Order in advance on SchoolGrid.

 **Packed lunch from home:** Please send it in a clearly labelled disposable bag that can be thrown away after eating. Children will be responsible for carrying their own lunch and drink.

 **Uniform:** Children should wear full school uniform, unless their class teacher says otherwise.

Thank you for your support in helping our trips run smoothly.

PE Kit Update – T-Shirts

Following parent feedback regarding our current white PE T-shirts, we will be transitioning to navy blue PE T-shirts.

There is no immediate requirement to replace existing white T-shirts. Children may continue to wear their current white PE top. However, when you are next due to purchase a new PE T-shirt, we kindly ask that you choose the navy blue option. Please also note that there is no expectation for Year 6 pupils to purchase a new PE T-shirt as part of this change. Local uniform suppliers have been informed of this change.



Parents' Evening Appointments Now Open

We are pleased to let you know that Parents' Evening appointments are now available to book via ClassDojo.

Appointments will take place on:

- Tuesday 31st March
- Wednesday 1st April

Please log in to ClassDojo to select a convenient time slot.

We look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's progress.


Parents' Evening


Tuesday 31st March

Wednesday 1st April

Lovers' Lane Mining Disaster Commemoration Service

Members of our community are invited to attend a special commemorative service to remember those who lost their lives in the Lovers' Lane Mining Disaster.

 Saturday 28th March 2026

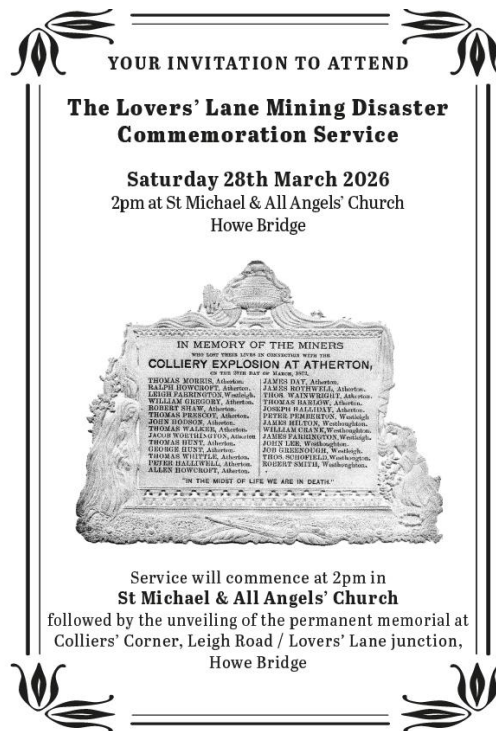
 2:00pm

 St Michael & All Angels' Church, Howe Bridge

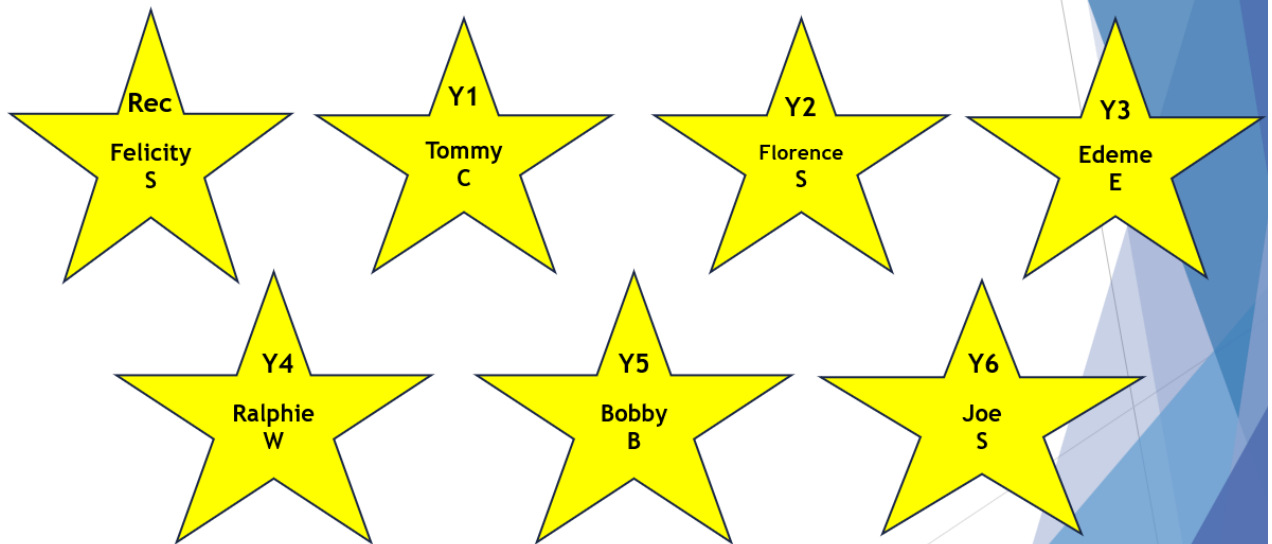
The service will begin at 2pm in the church and will be followed by the unveiling of a permanent memorial at Colliers' Corner, Leigh Road / Lovers' Lane junction, Howe Bridge.

This event offers an important opportunity for the community to come together to reflect, remember, and honour the miners who lost their lives in this tragic event in Atherton's history.



All are welcome to attend and pay their respects. 🌿



Stars of the Week



Next week at a glance

Week beginning 23rd March	Before school	During the school day 	Music tuition	After school
Monday	Breakfast club	Whole school Collective Worship Year 1 outdoor PE Year 4 outdoor PE Year 3 indoor PE Year 4 Robinwood residential iRock band practise 	Guitar	ABC childcare
Tuesday	Breakfast club	Whole school singing worship Y3 indoor PE Year 1 Blackpool Zoo Trip Year 4 Robinwood residential	Drums Violin	ABC childcare
Wednesday	Breakfast club	Whole school Collective Worship Rec indoor PE Year 5 indoor PE Year 4 return from Robinwood residential		ABC childcare
Thursday	Breakfast club	Class Worship Rec outdoor PE Y5 outdoor PE Y6 indoor PE Year 2 indoor PE		ABC childcare
Friday	Breakfast club	Whole school Celebration Worship Year 2 outdoor PE Year 6 outdoor PE Year 1 indoor PE Year 4 indoor PE	Keyboard	ABC childcare PTA Easter Bingo

Future dates for your diary

(Please note, these will be added to frequently)

31 st March	Parents Evening
1 st April	Easter Service in Church (pupils only)

	Parents Evening
Thursday 2 nd April	Finish for Easter Break at 3:30pm
20 th April	Children return to school at 8:50am
4 th May	Bank Holiday Monday
25 th – 29 th May	Half Term
26 th June	Choir Concert – Ticketed Event 6PM – 8PM
29 th June – 3 rd July	Year 6 Residential trip
6 th July	Year 1 Bring Yer Wellies trip
8 th July	Year 2 to Kenyon Hall Farm
	Year 5 to Manchester Museum
9 th July	
13 th July	Y6 Leavers Service in Church 2:45pm (Parents Welcome)
16 th July	Finish for Summer Break at 3:30pm
17 th July	Inset day – Staff only
1 st September	Inset day – Staff only
2 nd September	Children return to school at 8:50am
9 th September	Rock Kidz 🙌🎸
1 st December	KS1 Panto
7 th December	KS2 Panto

Useful Links

School Instagram Account <https://www.instagram.com/st.michaelsceprimaryschool/>

School Facebook Account <https://www.facebook.com/HoweBridgeStMichaelsPrimary>

School Lunches to be ordered on <https://app.schoolgrid.co.uk>

Apply for Free School Meals <https://forms.wigan.gov.uk/xfp/form/750>

Mental Health and wellbeing details – www.actionforhappiness.org

Samaritans 116 123 (freephone 24 hours a day)

Mind - www.mind.org.uk

Online resources

For parents:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

For children:

<http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/6-10/>