

NEWSLETTER



**Autumn
Term
18.09.26**



Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

Updates:

Year 6 pupils moving on to High School:

- Applications now open: From 12 September 2026
- Closing date for applications: 31 October 2026
- National Offer Day: 1 March 2027 (when parents/carers are notified of their child's school place)

For all our Year 6 parents/carers we advise that you apply online through Wigan Council's Citizen Portal. The application window is already open and closes on 31 October 2026.

Link to apply - [Wigan Council Secondary School Admissions](#)

If you are applying at St. Mary's Catholic High School, don't forget to complete the Supplementary Faith Form too.

Free School Meals – There is still time to apply!

We are urging all families to apply for free school meals to see if they are eligible. It is a quick and easy process, please click on the link - <https://www.athertonsacredheart.wigan.sch.uk/fs-m-application/>

If you were previously in receipt of this, you will need to apply again - New Government requirements due to changes in funding.

Help Spread the Word

Do you know a family looking for a school place? Please help us by sharing our Open Day dates with friends, family, and neighbours. This can be easily done via our Facebook page. Thank you for supporting our wonderful school community.

Wishing everyone a relaxing weekend.

Parent Welcome Sessions:

Parents are warmly invited to visit their child's class at **3.45pm** and receive important information about their child's learning journey this coming year.

Monday 21st September: Y1 / Y3/ Y5

Tuesday 22nd September: Rec / Y2 / Y4/ Y6

This information has been advertised on the school website. Please refer to the calendar / events for upcoming events.

Children can attend the after school club if required.

Parent Governor Vacancy:

We are looking for a new Parent Governor to join our Governing Body next term. This is a rewarding opportunity to help shape the future of our school. Please just ask at the school office if you would like further information.

Information regarding this post was shared by Mrs Glynn on Monday.

School Individual Photographs:

This has just been arranged today - Tuesday 29th September. More information will follow next week.

Name School Uniform:

Please check that your child's name is clearly labelled in all school uniform items, especially after washing. This helps us return lost property quickly to the correct child.

Medical & Allergy Information:

Please ensure that the school office is informed of any changes to your child's medical conditions or allergy information. Keeping these records up to date is essential.

Arbor App:

90% of our parent/carers are now using our School Arbor App. This is our main communication method to share information. If you know of a parent/carer who is unable to access the app, please direct them to the school office.

Flu Vaccinations:

The Intra Health Flu Vaccination Team visited school this week but were unable to vaccinate all children who had consent. A catch-up session will take place in school on Monday 5th October. If your child has not yet received their vaccination, it will be completed during this session.

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AWARDS

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Reception

Golden Ticket	Astro	Using wonderful manners at all times.
Golden Ticket	Neyla	Confidently answering questions in all lessons.
Golden Ticket	Samuel	Settling beautifully into his new school environment.
Reading Champion	Tommy	Well done on reading consistently all week. You are on your way to achieving one of our badges.
Excellence	Penelope	Showing Excellence by trying new things, learning from mistakes and doing your best.

Year One

Golden Ticket	Alfie-John	Becoming more confident at reading numbers as words.
Golden Ticket	Isla	Amazing retrieval of animal facts in our English lessons.
Golden Ticket	Karter	Fantastic segmenting and blending when writing labels in English.
Reading Champion	Jessica	Well done on reading consistently all week. You are on your way to achieving one of our badges.
Excellence	Connie M	Connie consistently demonstrates an excellent attitude towards her learning. She is a superstar!

Year Two

Golden Ticket	Betsy	Working hard in maths, confidently understanding the value of each digit in two-digit numbers.
Golden Ticket	Isaac	Thinks carefully in RE about how we can look after God's world responsibly.
Golden Ticket	Mia	Always works hard in English, presenting her work beautifully and carefully checking her Mastery Keys.
Reading Champion	Kehinde	Well done on reading consistently all week. You are on your way to achieving one of our badges.
Excellence	Praise	Always listens carefully, tries her very best and consistently demonstrates excellence in all her work.

Year Three

Golden Ticket	Adele	Settling into school well and consistently following school rules.
Golden Ticket	Ella-Beau	Confidently partitioning numbers into hundreds, tens and ones.
Golden Ticket	Savannah	Writing brilliant sentences including prepositions and expanded noun phrases.
Reading Champion	Piotr	Well done on reading consistently all week. You are on your way to achieving one of our badges.
Excellence	Leo E	Always striving for excellence with every piece of work he produces.

Year Four

Golden Ticket	Ahmet	Great work when exploring the digestive system.
Golden Ticket	Genevieve	Writing a fabulous diary entry.
Golden Ticket	Thomas	Working hard when partitioning numbers to 10,000
Reading Champion	Sebastian	Well done on reading consistently all week. You are on your way to achieving one of our badges.
Excellence	Precious	Excellent effort in her first swimming lesson.

Year Five

Golden Ticket	Andrea	Wonderful discussions in RE about the meaning of the Ten Commandments for us today.
Golden Ticket	Jed	An excellent explanation about powers of 10.
Golden Ticket	Leo	Using 'J'ai' to talk about feelings in French.
Reading Champion	Doris	Well done on reading consistently all week. You are on your way to achieving one of our badges.
Excellence	Jodayne	Showing excellence by always being ready to learn and setting a good example to others.

Year Six

Golden Ticket	Ellis	Impressive and confident reading fluency.
Golden Ticket	Jennifer	Excellent effort in all written tasks this week.
Golden Ticket	Jerry	Always being respectful of the learning.
Reading Champion	Fatima	Well done on reading consistently all week. You are on your way to achieving one of our badges.
Excellence	Jayda	Showing excellence in her understanding of place value.