

RIBCHESTER ST WILFRID'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely couple of days we've had this week! The children have certainly made the most of the sunshine, enjoying plenty of outdoor learning and activities. It has been so nice to see everyone working, exploring and playing outside.

On Monday, the children were absolutely thrilled to get stuck into Forest School — quite literally! We saw some VERY muddy faces, hands and clothing by the end of the day (apologies for the washing!). These sessions really do bring learning to life, and we feel incredibly lucky to be able to offer such rich outdoor experiences.



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SUCCEED"*

A quick reminder that Parents' Evening is coming up soon. Please make sure you book your time slot if you haven't already. If you have any difficulties or questions, your child's class teacher should be your first point of contact — they're always happy to help.

PTFA Disco – Next Week!

Don't forget that the PTFA disco is coming up next week. More information can be found below — we're all looking forward to a fun and lively evening for the children.

Ribchester Car Wash – This Weekend

This weekend, Ribchester's community car wash will be taking place to raise money for Ribchester Field Day. If you're able to pop along and support, it would be wonderful to see the community come together for such a great cause.

School Meal Price Increase

We have been notified by Lancashire County Council that the price per day for school meals is due to rise on return to school after the Easter break from £2.90 to £3.00. The weekly amount will therefore be £15.00. Meals provided for all pupils from Reception to Year 2 remain free of charge.

Wishing you all a fantastic weekend ahead!

Katie Isherwood

Headteacher



Friendship



Respect



Courage



Perseverance



Thankfulness



Trust

⚽ PE Reminder: Please ensure your child does not wear earrings on PE days, or that they are able to remove them independently.

Term dates for the academic year 2026-2027 are now confirmed and can be found on this newsletter as well as on our website: <https://www.ribchesterstwilfrids.co.uk/parents/term-dates/>

Admissions Consultation

We have gone to consultation this week with Lancashire School Admissions (required every 7 years). You can find the document on Dojo or on our website here.

Key Dates – Spring Term (so far!)

Wednesday 25 th March	Parents' Evening – please follow guidance from Mrs Lester for how to book a slot
Thursday 26 th March	Spring Disco
Friday 27 th March	Break up for the Easter holiday

There will be more dates added to this list as additional activities are booked/planned.

Clubs – Spring Term 2

Tuesday 3:30-4:30pm	Sports with Coach Becks (KS1) – Multi Skills. Begins Tuesday 3 rd March.
Tuesday 3:30-4:15pm	Year 4 Times Tables with Mrs Lester
Friday 8:30am	Choir with Mrs Lester
Friday 3:30-4:40pm	Choir Church with Mrs Partington
Friday 3:30-4:30pm	Sports with Coach Becks (KS2) Basketball THIS WILL BE EVERY OTHER WEEK. DATES: Friday 27 th Feb, Friday 13 th March and Friday 27 th March

Year 6 Boosters are held on a Monday and Tuesday 3:30pm-4:15pm with Mrs Taylor and Miss Isherwood.



RIBCHESTER

Field Day



CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

THIS SATURDAY
10AM - 2PM
BEE MILL, RIBCHESTER.

ALL PROCEEDS TOWARDS RIBCHESTER FIELD DAY



PTFA SPRING DISCO

**THURSDAY 26TH MARCH
IN THE SCHOOL HALL**

**INFANTS 3.45PM - 5PM
JUNIORS 5.15PM - 6.30PM**

**£6 PER CHILD
INCLUDES HOTDOG, SOFT DRINK
AND SMALL TREAT**

**RAFFLE TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE
BOTH PAYABLE THROUGH PARENTPAY**



Lancashire **SEND** Roadshow

2025/2026

The roadshows are for families and practitioners to find out more about support and services available for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers.

These Roadshows are happening across Lancashire bringing the SEND Local Offer to your area.

The SEND Local Offer brings together all services in Lancashire for children and young people aged 0-25 with SEND, and their families.



Join the fun at...

EDSTART CLUBS

Ribchester Primary School Holiday Club

Coming this Easter

For more info email: becks.smith@edstart.org.uk

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🎉 Bookings Now Open – NEW Edstart Holiday Club at Ribchester St. Wilfrid's!

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm absolutely delighted to share some exciting news — bookings are now officially open for our NEW Edstart Holiday Club at Ribchester St. Wilfrid's!

We are thrilled to be bringing Edstart holiday provision to St Wilfrid's Primary School and I couldn't be more excited about this fantastic opportunity to provide fun, active, and engaging holiday experiences right here at school.

Our holiday club will offer:

🏆 Action-packed sports and games

🎨 Creative activities

🧩 Team challenges and confidence-building fun

😊 A safe, supportive, and energetic environment

Whether your child loves being active, getting creative, or simply spending time with friends, there will be something for everyone to enjoy.

Places are limited, so we encourage you to book early to secure your child's space.

<https://www.edstart.org.uk/franchise-areas/ribble-valley>

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to get in touch — I'd be more than happy to help!

We can't wait to welcome your children for an unforgettable holiday filled with fun, laughter, and new friendships.

Hope you see you there!!!

Coach Becks 😊



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Ribchester St Wilfrid's CE Primary School

Term Dates 2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026

Starts: Tuesday 1 September 2026 – INSET for staff.

Children will start on Wednesday 2 September 2026.

Half term: Friday 23 October 2026 - October – Monday 2 November 2026 (Friday 23 October and Monday 2 November 2026 INSET for staff).

Children will start on Tuesday 3 November 2026.

Ends: Friday 18 December 2026

Spring Term 2027

Starts: Monday 4 January 2027 INSET for staff.

Children will start on Tuesday 5 January 2027.

Half term: Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February 2027

Ends: Thursday 25 March 2027.

Children will start on Monday 12 April 2027.

Summer Term 2027

Starts: Monday 12 April 2027

May Day: Monday 3 May 2027

Half term: Monday 31 May – Monday 7 June 2027. INSET for staff.

Children will start on Tuesday 8 June 2027.

Ends: Wednesday 21 July 2027

Total number of openings: 190

Total number of INSET training days: 5

General Information

KS2 Morning Snacks

Snacks for Ribble and Wyre need to be paid for in advance. The cost of toast this half term is £8.70. This should be paid on ParentPay.

Contact Details

If you have moved house or changed phone numbers, don't forget to let the office know so that we can update our system.

ALLERGIES

Please ensure that school are aware of all allergies and medication taken for these, e.g. Piriton

Nut Allergies

We are a nut free school as we have pupils with allergies. Please can we remind all parents that products which contain nuts should not be brought to school and not included in packed lunches.

PTFA

We would love for more people to get involved - either by joining the PTFA committee or joining the PTFA volunteers WhatsApp group. For either, please speak to PTFA Committee Chair Lindsey Cobden at the school gates or on 07919 851169.

Week

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Week commencing

3rd November
24th November
15th December
5th January
26th January
16th February
9th March
30th March
20th April

Week

2

Week commencing

10th November
1st December
22nd December
12th January
2nd February
23rd February
16th March
6th April

Week

3

Week commencing

17th November
8th December
29th December
19th January
9th February
2nd March
23rd March
13th April

	MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
Traditional Choice	Big Brunch Pork or Vegetarian Sausage Free Range Omelette Crispy Potatoes & Baked Beans	Loaded Mild Beef or Vegetable Chilli Nachos with Mixed Rice & Salad Selection	Roast Chicken or Roast Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	British Beef or Vegetarian Burger in a Bun with Paprika Wedges, Sweetcorn & Tomato Ketchup	Golden Crumb Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
Alternative Choice	Pasta Twists & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)	Lancashire Butter Pie with Vegetable Medley or Baked Beans (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Mac 'n' Cheese with Homemade Crusty Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans (v)
Jacket & Sandwiches	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
Dessert	Toffee Traybake & Custard Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Marble Shortbread & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Raspberry Bun Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Vanilla Cookie & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Chocolate Brownie Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk
MEAT FREE MONDAY SUGARWISE TUESDAY WEDNESDAY SUGARWISE THURSDAY FRIDAY FAVOURITES					
Traditional Choice	Loaded Pizza Panini with Paprika Wedges & Garden Peas (v)	Crispy Chicken or Vegetable Goujons & Katsu Curry Sauce with Rainbow Vegetable Rice	Pork or Vegetarian Sausage Yorkshire Pudding with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection	Harry Ramsden's Crispy Battered Fish with Oven Baked Chips & Mushy Peas
Alternative Choice	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Puff Pastry Cheese Whirl with Herby Potatoes Garden Peas or Baked Beans (v)	Pasta Spirals & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)	Cooks Choice of filled Free Range Egg Omelette with Potato Wedges & Baked Beans	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips & Sweetcorn (v)
Jackets & Sandwiches	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection (v)	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
Dessert	Rice Pudding & Fruit Jam Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Chocolate Cookie & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Cooks Choice of Mousse Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Lancashire Cheese & Biscuits Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Cocoa Krispie Cake Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk
MONDAY SUGARWISE TUESDAY WEDNESDAY SUGARWISE THURSDAY FRIDAY FAVOURITES					
Traditional Choice	Pork & Carrot or Vegetarian Meatballs with Mild Chilli & Sweet Pepper Sauce Mixed Rice & Salad Selection	Savoury Mince & Dumplings with Mashed Potatoes Green Beans & Carrot Batons	Roast Chicken or Roast Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Cooks Choice of Chicken or Vegetarian Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread	Golden Crumb Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
Alternative Choice	Harry Ramsden's Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake with Herby Potatoes & Vegetable Medley	Pasta Tubes & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Paprika Potatoes Garden Peas or Baked Beans (v)	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips & Sweetcorn (v)
Jackets & Sandwiches	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of filled Sandwiches with Oven Baked Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
Dessert	Chocolate Traybake & Custard Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Vanilla Shortbread & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Oaty Flapjack Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Lemon Cookie & Fruit Wedges Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Cooks Choice of Cupcake Cooks Choice of Jelly Fruit Yoghurt ~ Fruit Selection & Milk

