

RIBCHESTER ST WILFRID'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we look ahead to next week, we would like to wish all of our Year 6 children the very best of luck as they begin their SATs from Monday through to Thursday. We are incredibly proud of the effort, resilience and determination they have shown in preparing for these assessments, and we know they will make both you and us very proud.

A Fond Farewell to Mr Eacott

We will be saying a fond farewell to Mr Eacott next Thursday. Over the past couple of years, he has made a truly positive and lasting contribution to life at Ribchester St Wilfrid's. He has built strong relationships with the children, supported them with great care and commitment, and been a valued member of our staff team. His enthusiasm, kindness and dedication will be greatly missed by us all. We are very grateful for everything he has given to our school community and wish him every happiness and success in his next chapter.

Looking ahead, I am delighted to share that we will be welcoming a new member of staff to the Calder class from Monday 8th June — Mrs Liz Swan. She will be joining us to take over from Mr Eacott, and we are confident she will be a fantastic addition to our school community.

I also wanted to share a little piece of personal news with you all. After much excitement (and *a lot* of pestering from the children! 😊), I am delighted to share that I am expecting a baby girl! 💕 The children are absolutely thrilled and have already started suggesting lots of very creative name ideas — I'm sure I won't be short of inspiration! 🌟

Finally, please do keep an eye on Class Dojo for important updates, including guidance on wearing trainers in school and key information about transition arrangements for new classes in September.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Katie Isherwood

Headteacher



Friendship



Respect



Courage



Perseverance



Thankfulness



Trust



TRANSITION SESSIONS

As we think ahead to September 2026, we want to support every child as they move into a new class or meet a new teacher. To help with this, we have carefully planned a series of transition sessions. These will give children time to build positive relationships with the adults who will be working with them, as well as helping them to feel happy, confident and secure in their new classroom environment. ♥

Wednesday 3rd June 2-3pm
Thursday 11th June 2-3pm
Tuesday 16th June 2-3pm
Wednesday 8th July - all morning

Trainers

We are pleased to let you know that, moving forward, children will be allowed to wear black trainers as part of their school uniform.

We hope this change will help children to be more comfortable throughout the day and ensure they are ready to enjoy outdoor play on the field whenever the weather allows.

Please note that any trainers worn must be completely black, with no coloured logos or markings (for example, no coloured Nike ticks).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Hop, skip
& jump into
your holiday**

**Inset Day
Friday 22nd May**

Message Coach Becks to
book in : 07720616488



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

Key Dates – Summer 1 2026

Monday 13 th April	Ribble class trip to Blackburn Museum
Wednesday 15 th April	Parents' Evening
Thursday 16 th April	PTFA Disco
Week beginning 11 th May	SATS week for Year 6 children
Wednesday 13 th May	New Reception parent information session 6pm – 7pm

Key Dates – Summer 2 2026

Tuesday 2nd June	NO COACH BECKS – THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB TODAY
Week beginning 8 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check begins
Wednesday 3 rd June	New Reception and Pre-School children Stay and Play 2-3pm
Thursday 11 th June	New Reception and Pre-School children Stay and Play 2-3pm
Tuesday 16 th June	New Reception and Pre-School children Stay and Play 2-3pm
Wednesday 17 th June	New Pre-School parent information session 6pm – 7pm
Friday 19 th June	Father's and Loved One's Tea Party 2:30pm in the School Hall
Tuesday 30 th June	Sports Day – Hosted by the amazing Coach Becks!
Saturday 4th July	New Reception and Pre-School children Stay and Play 10am – 11am We are offering a Saturday so that we can best accommodate working parents!
Thursday 16 th July	EYFS and KS1 Read Write Inc. Phonics parents information session 3:30pm-4:30pm

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

Clubs – Summer Term 1

Tuesday 3:30-4:30pm	Sports with Coach Becks KS2 (Ribble and Wyre)
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 KS1 (Calder and Hodder) THIS WILL BE EVERY OTHER WEEK. DATES: 17th April, 1st May, 15th May



*"Together, with
Jesus, we can LOVE,
LEARN and
SUCCEED"*

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 £8.40. 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.

Menu

Serving Fantastic Lunches Everyday - All menus are carefully planned to meet School Food Standards, with all new dishes tested by children. Our aim is to positively influence the diet of our children and young people, and always consider where the food we put on the plates comes from and how it was produced.

Week 1

Week commencing
20th April
11th May
1st June
22nd June
13th July
3rd August
24th August
14th September
5th October
26th October

	MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
Traditional Choice	Southern Style Chicken Goujon or Vegetable Finger Wrap with Paprika Potatoes Mixed Vegetables or BBQ Beans	Mild Beef or Vegetarian Chilli Nacho Bake with Mixed Rice & Sweetcorn Medley	Pork or Vegetarian Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding with Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Mild Chicken or Quorn Balti Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread	Golden Crumb Fish or Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
Alternative Choice	Pasta Tubes & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)	Summer Picnic Lunch Choice of Sandwiches Vegetarian Sausage Roll Pasta Salad Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Homemade Cheese Flan with Baby Potatoes Baked Beans or Salad Selection (v)	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Salad Selection (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	Choice of filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Cooks Choice of filled Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Freshly Prepared Salad Selection	Choice of filled Sandwiches with Tortilla Chips Vegetable Sticks & Dips
Dessert Choices	Fruity Flapjack or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Vanilla Shortbread & Fruit Wedges or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Ice Cream & Dessert Sauce or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Mixed Fruit Medley or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Cooks Choice of Cookie & Milkshake or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection

Week 2

Week commencing
27th April
18th May
8th June
29th June
20th July
10th August
31st August
21st September
12th October
2nd November

	MEAT FREE MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
Traditional Choice	Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Herby Potatoes Garden Peas & Sweetcorn or Baked Beans (v)	BBQ Pulled Pork or Quorn Burrito with Rainbow Vegetable Rice & Salad Selection	Roast Chicken or Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Booths British Beef & Pork or Vegetarian Burger with Paprika Potatoes Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Harry Ramsden's Crispy Battered Fish with Oven Baked Chips & Mushy Peas
Alternative Choice	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Mac 'n' Cheese with Homemade Crusty Bread & Garden Peas (v)	Loaded Potato Wedges with BBQ Beans, Crispy Onions & Salad Selection (v)	Pasta Spirals & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips & Sweetcorn (v)
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Dessert Choices	Marble Traybake & Toffee Drizzle or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Mixed Fruit Medley or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Raspberry Bun or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Lemon Biscuit & Fruit Wedges or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Cocoa Krispie Cake or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk

Week 3

Week commencing
13th April
4th May
25th May
15th June
6th July
27th July
17th August
7th September
28th September
19th October
9th November

	MONDAY	SUGARWISE TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	SUGARWISE THURSDAY	FRIDAY FAVOURITES
Traditional Choice	Mild Piri Piri Chicken or Quorn Pitta Pocket with Sunshine Rice & Garden Peas	Harry Ramsden's Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake with Paprika Potatoes & Mixed Vegetables	Honey Roast Gammon & Pineapple or BBQ Vegetarian Meatballs with Rosti Potatoes & Sweetcorn Medley	Chicken or Vegetable Tikka Curry with Mixed Rice & Naan Bread	Pork or Vegetarian Hot Dog Crispy Onions & Tomato Ketchup with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Baked Beans
Alternative Choice	Pasta Twists & Tomato Sauce with Homemade Dough Balls & Salad Selection (v)	Puff Pastry Cheese Whirl with Paprika Potatoes & Baked Beans (v)	Tomato & Mascarpone Pasta with Homemade Herby Bread & Salad Selection (v)	Summer Picnic Lunch Choice of Sandwiches Vegetarian Sausage Roll Pasta Salad Vegetable Sticks & Dips	Homemade Pizza Margherita with Oven Baked Chips Garden Peas or Salad Selection (v)
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Dessert Choices	Jam Sandwich Slice or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Marble Shortbread & Fruit Wedges or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Cooks Choice of Mousse or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Mixed Fruit Medley or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk	Sticky Toffee Cupcake or Choice of Fruit Yoghurt or Jelly ~ Fruit Selection & Milk

