

Newsletter



Guide Us O God To Be The Best We Can Be;
In Every Thought, In Every Word And Every Deed

April 2025

*Goodbye & Good
Luck, Mrs Roach*

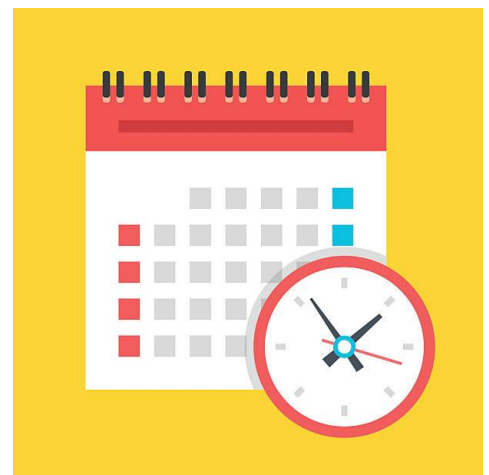
Thank you, Mrs Roach!

It is with great gratitude and sadness that we say farewell to our wonderful headteacher, Mrs Roach, as she embarks on an exciting new chapter in her career. While we will certainly miss her, we are also incredibly proud of all that she has achieved and excited for the new school that will soon benefit from her leadership. Mrs Roach has been the heart of our school, leading with kindness, wisdom and an infectious enthusiasm for learning. She has created a warm and nurturing environment where children flourish, staff feel valued and families feel part of a true community. Her unwavering dedication, love and encouragement have left a lasting imprint on us all. From championing new ideas to ensuring that every child feels seen and supported, she has made our school a better place in so many ways.

As she moves on to new adventures, we send her off with our deepest thanks, fondest memories and very best wishes. We know she will continue to inspire and lead with the same passion and care that we have been so blessed to experience. Thank you, Mrs Roach – you will always be a special part of our school family!

Events Coming Up:

- 22nd April – First day back & Easter Bonnet Parade (children only)
- 29th April – Phonics Parents Meeting (3:30pm)
- 30th April – Wrens trip to Barton Grange
- 12th May – Y6 SATs Assessment Week
- 15th May – Y6 'End of SATs' Celebration & Y4/Y5 Trip to UCLAN
- 19th May – Year 6 Fire Safety Talk & CPR Workshop for Year 5 and Year 6
- 21st May – Tri-Kidz & CPR Workshops for Year 3 and 4



Sporting News:

Well done to the year 6 boys on their progression in the cup; unfortunately, after a well-played game they were knocked out by a very strong St Andrew's team. Huge congratulations to the year 4 boys on winning the Sir Tom Finney trophy this year. They were undefeated throughout the competition and played some amazing football as a team. Well done to the year 3/4 girls in their tournament. They showed great determination and team spirit throughout. We look forward to watching some of them play football again next year. Congratulations to the year 5/6 swimming team who were the overall winners of their division, with individual medals being awarded to some for their performances in their races. Finally, well done to the year 5/6 Tag rugby team. It was their first year competing in this league and they finished with a well-deserved fourth place in their division.

Catholic Life of the School:

This week, our school community has been deeply engaged in bringing the story of Holy Week to life, as we have acted out each significant day leading up to Easter. Through thoughtful performances and heartfelt participation, the children have beautifully retold these important events, helping us all to reflect on their meaning. A huge thank you to all the children for their enthusiasm and reverence, and to the staff for their dedication in preparing and guiding them throughout the week. Your commitment has made this a truly special and memorable experience for everyone.

Attendance:

Please find this school year's attendance so far. Please do help us by bringing your child to school every day, unless they are unwell, and by booking holidays outside of term time. Well done, and thank you, for continuing to be above 97% overall!



HAPPY
Easter



ARBOR

We are Arbor ready!

We are excited to announce that Arbor, our new digital platform for managing student information, has now been implemented fully at our school. SCOPAY & SIMS have now all been deactivated and Arbor is THE only form of communication we now use (We do have Teachers 2 Parents a little longer).

All relatives who are Primary Guardians of a child in school will be receiving their welcome email (we will send a text message to confirm when this is done). This will include a link to the Parent Portal. The link will be live for **96 hours only** so please click on it as soon as possible. Once you have set your password you can download the Arbor App on your mobile phone. (Make sure you select **Allow** to enable school to send you push notifications. This will ensure you receive a notification when you have a new In-app message.)

n.b. parents must have individual emails (not shared or generic i.e. info@)

[Logging into the Parent Portal & Parent App guide.](#)

All balances have been transferred over from SCOPAY. Arbor does not have a general pre-payment account so these balances will have been added to either your child's dinner account or Newhouse Out of School Club. The office can now move balances around for you if you need to transfer them to pay any other pot, just let us know.

Dinners

You no longer need to order dinners for your child, however, you do need to have a balance available. Unfortunately, the cost of a school dinner has increased to £2.90. You can top up daily, weekly, half termly or termly, whatever is best for you.

Newhouse Out of School Club

Places can now be booked up to 2 days before for the current term, places do book up fast so we recommend booking as soon as possible so as not to be disappointed. Emergency bookings are still available and you can book these yourself if there are spaces, just select the Emergency Booking Option. We do ask that you let the office know if you book on the day so that we can make sure your child is collected for the club rather than being sent out to the playground.

DO NOT DROP YOUR CHILD OFF AT BREAKFAST CLUB WITH NO BOOKING ON THE SYSTEM, STAFF WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT THEM.

Please bear with us as this system is new to us too and we may be able to add/update features as we go.

If you encounter any difficulties or have any questions, please ring the Office. Alternatively please come into School with your smartphone and we will help you do it.

If you do not activate your Arbor account you will not have access to purchase items, receive e-mails, book on Clubs, pay for lunches, confirm your child for a trip, important updates, academic progress reports, and other pertinent information throughout the school year.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in this matter.