

Being our Best Selves

Ludworth Primary School



Ludworth Life

3rd
October
2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a week!

This morning, Year 1 treated us to a *foodilicious* Harvest Assembly, bursting with confidence and creativity. The children shone brightly, and their performance was a true celebration of community and kindness. We were also lucky to have Father Hupfield from St Martin's church join us to celebrate and share a reminder of how working together makes us stronger, happier and more resilient. A huge well done to Year 1 - and thank you to everyone who donated so generously. Your contributions will go directly to those in need, making a real difference.

I'd also like to take a moment to thank our incredible staff. Despite ongoing illnesses affecting our wider community, our team continues to show up with dedication and resilience, ensuring consistency and care for every child in every class. Like everyone else, our staff can become unwell and may need time to recover. Please understand that while we cannot share personal details, we always strive to maintain the highest standards of education and support during these times.

A Special Visit from Ofsted

As shared on our school Facebook page this Wednesday:

★ *Did you know... Ludworth had some very special visitors this week!*

We were honoured to welcome four of His Majesty's Inspectors from Ofsted, who invited us to take part in a pilot programme. This initiative is designed to help train inspectors in implementing their new inspection framework, which launches in November.

We gladly accepted - and during their visit, they conducted a full mock inspection, engaging with children, staff, and governors just as they would in a real scenario. While no formal judgements or reports will be published, and we're unable to share specific details, we can confidently say they were genuinely impressed by what they saw. ☀️

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped showcase the heart and excellence of our school. ❤️

Exciting News!

I'm sure you will all join me sending our best wishes to Mrs Donaldson as she finishes today to go on maternity leave. We are all very excited to welcome her new arrival and can't wait to share the news with you all!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend ahead.

And remember: *It's better to learn to dance in the rain than worry about having an umbrella for the rest of your life!*

**Warm regards,
Mrs Walker**

KEY DATES

Flu Vaccinations
6th October

Reception 2026 Parent Tour
14th October 9.30am - 10.30am

Year 6 Height and Weight Checks
Parent Advice Sessions
16th October - 9am-11am

Year 5 visit to Jodrell Bank
17th October

Maths Success Share 1
20th October - 8.45am-9.15am

Maths Success Share 2
21st October - 8.45am-9.15am

Year 3 Stone Age Day
22nd October

PTA Halloween Disco
22nd October

SCHOOL CLOSERS FOR HALF TERM
24th October

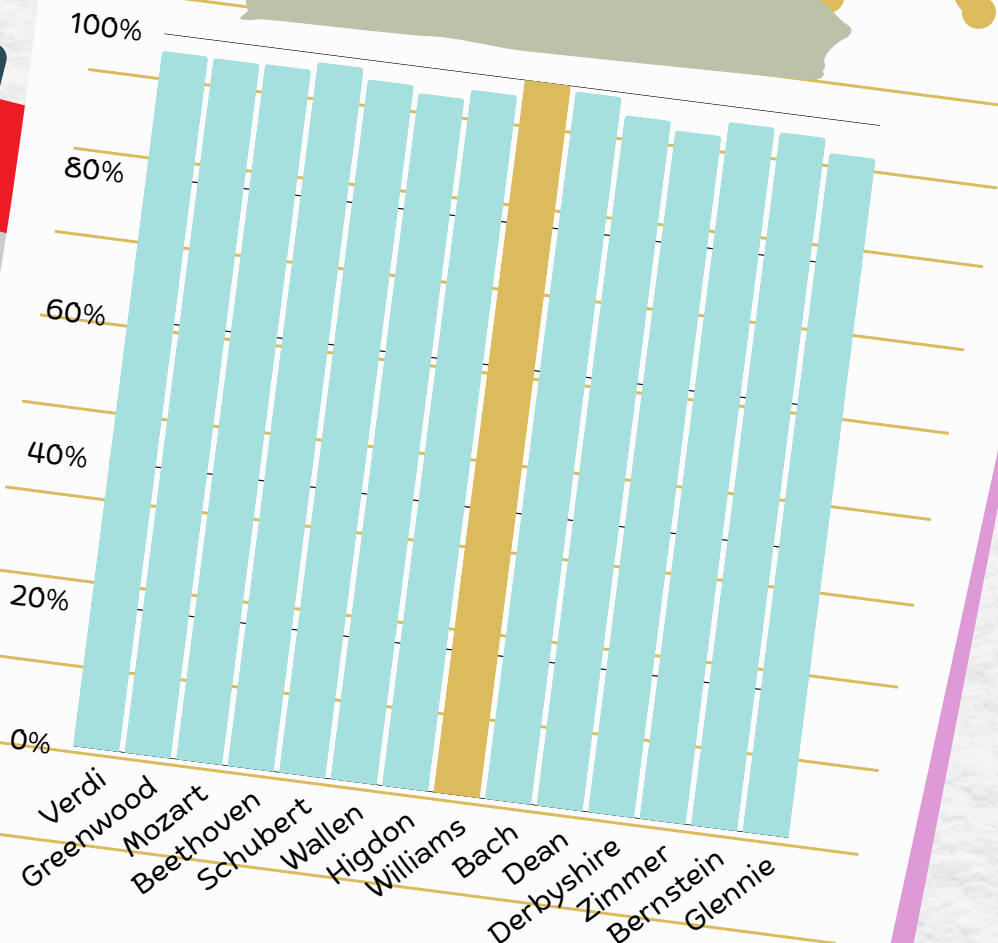
SCHOOL OPENS FOR AUTUMN 2
3rd November 8.40am

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ATTENDANCE



Well done to Williams class
for achieving 100%
attendance this week

**Whole School
Attendance 97.5%**

Year 1 Harvest Assembly



Today's Year 1 Harvest Assembly was truly amazing — a joyful celebration filled with song, gratitude, and community spirit.

A huge thank you to everyone who donated so generously. Your kindness will make a real difference, as all contributions are being sent to local food banks to support families in need.



The photo shared shows just a small portion of the incredible amount brought in.

Thank you again for your continued support!



Spotlight on...

Oliver's Dragons



We would like to introduce you to Oliver's Dragons - a brand new charity supporting children in Marple. It was created in memory of 11 year old Oliver Buchanan who died in 2023 from a brain tumour. His family and friends have launched the charity to help support the community that he loved so much.

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The charity has two aims:
To help fund leisure and recreation projects in the Marple area that support the social welfare of children and;
To provide grants to local individuals and families where a child is closely impacted by cancer.



Grant applications open!

We are delighted to announce that our very first round of grant applications is now open to any group or organisation involved in a leisure or recreation project that primarily benefits children in Marple.

Grants up to £500 are available and the closing date for applications is [14 November 2025].

A copy of the criteria and an application form can be requested by emailing oliversdragons@gmail.com

Oliver, his brother George and Oliver's army continue to be loved members of the Ludworth community since they left Ludworth two years ago. We are so proud of all of their fundraising efforts and the positive impact they continue to have in the local community.

CHARITY TABLETOP SALE

28TH SEPTEMBER 2025

Congratulations and Well done to Ava, Bea, Freya, Margot and Matilda (Year 5), who held a Charity Tabletop Sale on 28th September with help from their siblings Alice (Year 4) and Hannah and Nathaniel (Year 2).

They worked really hard, making and baking items, as well as organising donations of second hand toys and books to sell on the day.



The event was a great success and they raised the amazing amount of £420.20 with the support of the local community.

The girls have decided to split the money raised equally between the The Pantry food bank Marple and Cancer Research.



Well done girls,
we are all super
proud of you!

£420.20

Get involved with Oliver's Dragons

Do you dare conquer the coals?

Face the firewalk for Oliver's Dragons

Friday 14 November 2025, Marple Sports Club

£30 entry fee plus minimum £100 fundraising pledge

Sign up at www.peoplesfundraising.com/OliversDragonsFirewalk
or scan the QR code...



Oliver's Dragons are delighted to announce our first big fundraising event- a fabulous FIREWALK on Friday 14th November 2025 at Marple Sports Club. Brave and daring firewalkers (aged 16 and over) can sign up here at:

**<https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/event/firewalkoliversdragons>
Registration costs £30 and we are asking for a £100 minimum fundraising commitment.**

Family and friends are welcome to watch and can join in with arrow breaking and crafts.

Food and drink will be available all evening.

Go on - we dare you!