



A massive St John's 'well done' to all our Silverdale Stars this week.

Teaching Staff – Mrs Hodkinson

For organising UFA this term and for a directing a lovely Easter service

Support Staff – Mrs Alderson

For being everywhere, for everybody in every area of school

Support Staff – Mrs Postlethwaite

For stepping up in After School Club and being 'the best' (as Olly described her on Thursday!)

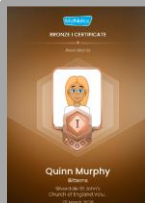
Spring Horticultural Show

Don't forget to check out the Spring Horticultural show this Saturday, at the Gaskell Hall. You will be able to see all the children's work. We are sure there will be lots of lovely art and garden produce there to look at. The good folks of Silverdale are a very talented group of people. The standard is always very high. Our children are in training for future years!

Lunchtime Legends

Our 'Lunchtime Legends' this week are... Jax, Adam, Teddy, Seb B. Super eating, super manners, super children!

Mathletics



'Well done' to Quinn and Robyn on their first 'firsts' in Mathletics



Class Blog

It's Bitterns' class this week to share their [blog](#). Why not take a look to see what they have been doing in and out of class.

Friday Thought

For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for him. —Philippians 1:29

Church News

Holy Week and Easter (see poster)
Good Friday – 10:00 Short service
Good Friday 14:00 Hour at the Cross – Methodist church
Easter Sunday – 08:30 – Service at the Cove
Easter Sunday - 10:30 – Easter Celebration Communion

NISCU listening service

Niscu work alongside school pastoral teams to support the ongoing work within the school. Local volunteers are trained to listen to children, using the active reflective listening model, and then apply it specifically to a schools' context. We will welcome Sue Edmonson into school next term. Sue will be with us on a Thursday morning – listening to children read, and providing an opportunity for them to talk and have an attentive listening ear. For more information, visit the [Niscu website](#). The [parent leaflet](#) is particularly informative and will give you a flavour as to what the 1-1 listening is all about.

School Easter Service

Thank you to all who came to support our children and celebrate Easter in church, this morning. The children loved singing, reading and sharing the Easter story with you. Thanks also to those who gave us foliage for the cross. It looks great. Also, to the Open The Book team. We appreciate you.

After school Club

Mrs Postlethwaite is our new After School Club manager. We know she will be amazing. Mrs Postlethwaite does need some help on a Monday and Wednesday. If you know anyone that would like to work 5.5hrs a week, then please get in touch with Miss Sanderson. We always strive to provide the very best quality provision in our school. After School Club is part of this offer. All we ask is that our staff are creative, dynamic and compassionate. If this is you, then get in touch!

PTA Events

27th and 28th June – Arts Trail cafe

Foodbank Collection

To help encourage generosity and spread some kindness we will be continuing to collect for Morecambe Foodbank after the Easter holidays. Items they are short of include: microwave rice, porridge sachets, tinned meat, toothpaste, long life fruit juice, oat/soya milk and toiletries.

Gates

Our new gates are wonderful! We thank McGaffigans Iron Craft for providing and fitting them. The gates will be locked in school time after Easter – closed and locked by a member of staff at 09:00 and will be opened again at 15:00.

We will be inviting the Year 8 children back to officially open our playground in the summer term. It's only been 18 months in the waiting!

Easter Bingo

Thanks to Mia and Carly for their support at the Easter Bingo, and to all the children and families that came to play. PTA raised £140. Well done to Teddy, who won the star prize.

There was a lot of chocolate, a lot of concentrating and a lot of 'BINGO' shouting!

Football Match

The ground was bumpy, the grass long and wet. The pitch, was a bit small. But despite all this, our football team won 11-3. Goals from Harry, Eddie and Charlie. The 'men of the match' were Oscar and Olly T. Awesome boys showing such talent and teamwork.

Lunches

Week 3 WC 13.04.26

New menu. Thank you for getting your dinner orders back into Mrs Taylor on time



Next Week...

- 13.04.26 – English CPD twilight - all staff invited
- 13.04.26 – Calm together in school
- 14.04.26 – Bowling for KS2
- 15.04.26 – Eco club starts
- 16.04.26 – Chess club starts
- 16.04.26 – Forest schools starts
- 16.04.26 – 1-1 listening service starts NISCU
- 17.04.26 – Friday football starts

Please don't forget to check the [online calendar](#) for future events

Attendance

Well done to Bitterns this week

Bitterns 98.9 %

Curlews 98.6%

Harriers 95.9%

AVERAGE SCHOOL 97.6 %

Big Walk and Wheel

'Well done' to everyone who has walked, scooted or cycled to school this week; the weather has scuppered our travel a little this week! So far, 65.09% of our journeys to school this week have been recorded. Bitterns are in the lead with the most journeys. Huge shout out to Flynn and Leonnie – those little legs have scooted nearly every morning, even the staff have commented on how amazing they are as they have been driving by! To all the boys too – that come from the other end of the village (and their parents!) they have been active and safe in 'Big walk and wheel week'

To Alice too, for being amazing on her new bike!



Enrichment Clubs

Our enrichment clubs will be starting WC 13th

April 2026 with

Wednesday – Eco Club

Thursday – Chess Club

Friday - Football Club

SATS club will be running for YEAR 6 the first four weeks back after the holidays.

12 Ways to Champion EQUALITY ONLINE

In terms of the esteem it's held in, women's football has made impressive progress in a short space of time. That's a bit like the online world: it's come a long way, but that doesn't mean we should stop trying to make it even better. The Women's European Football Championships are underway, and that's a timely reminder of how important it is to give everyone the respect they deserve online – regardless of gender, race, sexual orientation, religion or anything else. In partnership with the Global Equality Commission, we've produced a special guide to help young fans kick online discrimination into touch!

1 KNOW IT WHEN YOU SEE IT

Expressing views based on prejudice about a part of someone's identity – their race, gender or a disability, say – counts as online hate.

2 WHEN "BANTER" ISN'T FUNNY

Discrimination is sometimes disguised as humour: some memes, clips or gifs that certain people try to pass off as "funny" might actually be offensive.

3 BE YOUR OWN PERSON

Set a good example through your own online communication. Think whether you'd say a thing in real life before posting or sharing it online for the world to see.

4 SEEING SHOULDN'T EQUAL BELIEVING

Sneakier, less obvious types of online abuse can stay on the internet for longer, so don't assume that something's OK just because it's not been taken down yet.

5 SEXISM CAN BE ILLEGAL

As well as being extremely hurtful to a person or a group, online sexism and prejudice against women (known as misogyny) can be recorded as a hate crime in some cases.

6 ONLINE HATE, USED AS BAIT

Sadly, it's not just that being exposed to prejudice online is upsetting – some extreme organisations even try to recruit young people to their cause.

7 GET SOME DISTANCE

If you see messages online that upset you, it's probably time to give yourself some space from that site or app. Talk to a trusted adult about how you're feeling.

8 TURN OFF THE HATERS

If someone you follow on social media is posting sexist content, you could always mute them or block them – or unfollow them altogether.

9 PLAY IT BY THE BOOK

If you see someone discriminating online, you don't have to challenge them yourself. Screenshot their post and report them to the app or site you saw it on.

10 EXPLOITING 'PACK MENTALITY'

Sexist messages aren't always sent to a target directly: sometimes, they're posts designed to provoke misogyny among other people.

11 POSITIVITY ALWAYS WINS

Go the extra mile and spread some positive vibes! Instead of just reacting to a post and scrolling past, you could add a message of support and encouragement, too.

12 CREATE THE WORLD YOU WANT

Remember, you're the boss of your online world. Engage with posts or accounts that celebrate equality and understanding: block or unfollow the ones that don't.

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FURTHER SUPPORT

If you've been affected by any of the issues mentioned in this guide, there are some excellent resources that can offer further help and support.
NOS Mental Health Guides: nationalonlinesafety.com/guides
Minds: www.youngminds.org.uk
Stop Hate UK: stophateuk.org
Ditch the Label: www.ditchthelabel.org
Childline: www.childline.org.uk

Holy Week and Easter 2026

Mon. 30th, Tues. 31st March, 8pm **Compline**,

A quiet service of reflection for the end of the day

Wednesday 1st April, 5.30pm **Silent Prayer**

Maundy Thursday - 2nd April

6.30pm **Agape Supper** (*please sign up*)

7.30pm **Holy Communion**



Good Friday - 3rd April

10am **Short service** at St John's followed by
walk through the Village, across the Lots ending at
Methodist Church for Hot Cross Buns

2pm **Hour at the Cross**

We come together at the Methodist Church



Holy Saturday - 4th April

8pm - **Service of Light and Vigil**

*Beginning in darkness, we celebrate the breaking in of the
light and love of the resurrection with candles and fire*

Easter Sunday - 5th April

8.30am **Service at the Cove**

with Silverdale Methodist Church

10.30am **Easter Celebration**

Communion at St John's Church



Easter Sunday Communion

Sunday 5th April



10.30a.m.

Emesgate Lane, LA5 0RJ

*Followed by an Easter Egg Hunt, and
wine and nibbles in the Parish Room*

**You are
Welcome**



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STAY & PLAY



Our sessions are
every Friday
morning.
Term time
In our early years
classroom.
09:00-10:30
All welcome



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