

Orrell Holgate Primary School

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# Together Everyone Achieves More

## New powers for Greater Manchester

The Manchester City Region is to receive new powers from Whitehall to work more effectively on significant issues including transport, regeneration and economic development.

Ministers have agreed plans to create the Greater Manchester Combined Authority - the first of its type in the country.

The Combined Authority complements the recent announcement of the Greater Manchester Local Enterprise Partnership and will ensure a coordinated approach is delivered in the 10 local authorities that make up the Manchester City Region. It will take effect from 1 April 2011. Under the new arrangements a new body - Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) - will also be established. TfGM will assume responsibility for delivering transport across the Manchester City Region. Lord Peter Smith, chair of the Association of Greater Manchester Authorities (AGMA), said: "The creation of the new Greater Manchester Combined Authority means that we will have more control locally over issues that affect us all including transport, housing, economic development, skills and job creation.

"In the current economic climate it is more important than ever that the region speaks with one voice so we can make the strongest possible case for resources and investment.

"The Combined Authority will also give us the robust governance arrangements which are needed to drive private sector growth. We will also be empowered to plan in a co-ordinated way to deliver that growth. "The announcement also keeps Greater Manchester at the forefront of change, which is important if we are to rebalance the economy and ensure that not just the Manchester City Region, but the entire North of England achieves its full potential."

The Greater Manchester Combined Authority will not replace the 10 local authorities, but will comprise one member from each and takes the work AGMA has achieved to the next level.

## Infant Nativity 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December 2010

Next Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning the children will be performing the 2010 Christmas Nativity. Please note that each performance is a ticket only event due to fire and health & safety regulations. If you are unable to make a performance and have a ticket, please let the office know so we can reallocate the place. The PSFA will be serving tea and coffee before and after each performance. The retiring collection will be in aid of the Children's Hospice, Derian House.

## Christmas Carol Service at St Luke's Church Friday 17.12.10

The 2010 Christmas Carol Service will be on Friday afternoon 17th December 2010 starting approximately 1.30pm. The retiring collection will be in aid of the Children's Hospice, Derian House.



## **Christmas Parties**

**YRD, Y1W & Y2S—Monday 20th December in the afternoon**

**Y3 & Y4—Tuesday 21st December in the afternoon**

**Y5 & Y6—Wednesday 22nd December, 11.00am—2pm**

On the day of the party children can either come to school dressed for the party or get changed at lunchtime.



## **Wigan and Leigh Hospice Toys**

We still have some toys left which are being sold on behalf of Wigan and Leigh Hospice. These can be purchased from the school office and cost £1.50. Please support this very good cause.

## **Carol Service and early finish**

Letters have been sent home last week for the Carol Service on Friday 17th December and the early finish of 2.15pm on Wednesday 22nd December. If you have not already done so, please return the reply slips as soon as possible. Thank you.

## **Services at St Luke's Church**

Sunday 12th December at 10.30am—	Setting of the crib Family Service with The Penders from Bangladesh
Christmas day at 10.00am—	Family Communion

## **Christmas Fair**

Thank you for supporting our Christmas Fair last Sunday. Despite the icy weather conditions the turnout was fabulous. We shall let you know how much was raised in next week's newsletter. The winners of the Christmas raffle are -

1st	Julie Prescott
2nd	Julia Birch
3rd	V Smith

## **Y6 Football Match**

The Y6 class of Orrell Holgate Primary School took part in a football tournament and came out on top. After four matches the decision was that a Holgate team and a Newfold team were in the final. The final score was 3—1 to Holgate. As well as winning they were commented on how well their behaviour was and how well they worked as a team—by Ella and Kallum

# Achievement & Celebration

Congratulations to this week's Award Winners

## TEAM Award

**Winners are:**

YRD Jose Labrana  
Y1W Zoe Heyes  
Y2S Matthew Pennington  
Y3CH Emily Cotton  
Y4D Elisha Penn  
Y5B Daniel Oakes  
Y6T James Derbyshire

## Literacy Award

**Winners are:**

YRD Hollie Jones  
Y1W Carla Penn  
Y2S Harvey Lawrenson  
Y3CH Jack Houghton  
Y4D Lloyd Gaskell  
Y5B Molly Elliott  
Y6T Cerys Cunliffe

## Numeracy Award

**Winners are:**

YRD Natasha Lancaster  
Y1W Emma Grey  
Y2S  
Y3CH Emily Cotton  
Y4D Jameson Lea-Whelan  
Y5B Rachael Greep  
Y6T Kallum Corcoran

## Other Curriculum Awards:

Y3CH Andrew Haswell  
Y5B Joshua Aspey  
Y6T Emily Ralph

## Physical Education, Physical Activity & School Sport Awards

Y3CH Andrew Haswell  
Y3CH Emily Cotton  
Y3CH Sam Addison  
Y3CH Emma Cunliffe  
Y3CH Amber Downie  
Y3CH Jack Hamilton  
Y4D Matthew Jackson  
Y4D Austin Travis  
Y4D Angela Nazokkar  
Y5B Oliver Edwards  
Y5B Aimee Taylor  
Y6T Liam Hilton  
Y6T Cerys Cunliffe  
Y6T Nathan Moore

## Lunchtime Award winners are:-

YRD Hannah Stalker  
Y1W Katie Penn  
Y2S Aaron Vincent  
Y3CH Gareth Cubbin  
Y4D Adam Grey  
Y5B Molly Elliott  
Y6T Thomas Findler

## Birthday News

Congratulations to the following children who celebrate their birthday during next week.

There are no Birthdays this week

**The next  
Celebration  
Assembly is  
Friday 17th  
December at  
11.00am.  
Phone the  
school office  
to book your  
place!**

## Admissions to Reception Class September 2011

If your child will turn 5 between 01.09.11 and 31.08.12 they can start school in Reception Class in September 2011. Application packs have been sent out. If you have not received a pack, please let the school office know. The closing date is 15th January 2011. School places will write to tell you where they can give your child a place on 26th April.

## School Trips

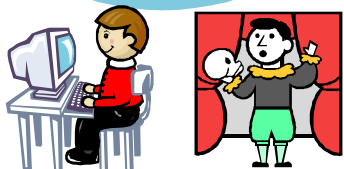
On Thursday 16th December the children in Reception Class will be going to Gulliver's World. We hope you have a lovely time and don't forget to take your Christmas Wish list to show Santa.

Children in Y1—Y6 will be watching Animals United at Empire Cinema on Monday 20th December. If you have not already returned the consent form and voluntary contribution, can you please do so as soon as possible? Thank you

## HOLGATE ExTrA EXTENDED LEARNING

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Check here for important events

### Tuesday 14.12.10

KS1 afternoon Nativity performance

### Wednesday 15.12.10

KS1 morning Nativity Performance

### Friday 17.12.10

Carol Service at St Lukes

**MONDAY 3.30-4.30 PM** - KS1/KS2 Computer Club with Mrs Breheny and Mrs Chriscole (£2.50 per week).

**MONDAY 3.45 - 4.45 PM** Singing Club at Holgate for 6 weeks starting Monday 15th November—see office for more information

**TUESDAY 3.30-4.30 P.M.** - KS1/KS2 Computer Club with Mrs Ward (£2.50 per week)

**WEDNESDAY 3.30-4.30 P.M.** Carolyn Leach Soccer Club for all children (£2.50 per week) See application form for details. **FULL**

**WEDNESDAY 3.30 to 4.30 PM.** KS1/KS2 Computer Club with Mrs Chriscole and Mrs Breheny (£2.50 per week)

**WEDNESDAY 3.30-5.30 PM.** Angela Shadwick Gymnastics Club (Private Letting £4 per week)

**THURSDAY 3.30-4.30 P.M.** - Junior Netball Y6 with Annette Hamilton - **FREE** - **Training cancelled for Winter months but will resume after February half term.**

**THURSDAY 3.30-4.30 P.M** - Y6 Football with Carolyn Leach **FREE** - See application form for details

**FRIDAY 3.30-4.30 P.M.** - Hockey Club with James Y5/Y6 - **FREE** - See application form for details.

## Dates for your Diary

### Autumn Term 2010

**Start:** 2nd September

**Half Term:**

20th to 29th October

**End:** 22nd December

### Spring Term 2011

**Start:** 6th January

**Half Term:**

21st to 25th February

**End:** 8th April

### Summer Term 2011

**Start:** 27th April

**Bank Hol:** 2nd May

**Half Term:**

30th May to 3rd June

**Ends:** 20th July

LOW BANK  
GROUND

10th-14th Jan 2011

SATS WEEK

9th-13th May 2011

PSFA EVENTS

03.12.10 Make &  
Take

05.12.10 Christmas  
Fair

### Governing Body Meetings

#### Autumn Term

Full Govs (1)—29.09.10

Asset—03.11.10

Curriculum—04.11.10

Full Govs (2) - 08.12.10

#### Spring Term

Asset—26.01.11

Curriculum—27.01.11

Full Govs—16.03.11

#### Summer Term

Asset—18.05.11

Curriculum—19.05.11

Full Govs—29.06.11