TWINNING UPDATE (October 2025)

Work placement of 2 young people from Marl in October 2025

2 young people from Marl, Niklas and Lina, will come to Pendle from Monday 20 October – Saturday 25th October 2025 inclusive to undertake work placements.

They will arrive on the evening of Monday 20th October and will be taken to their accommodation, where an evening meal will be provided.

On Tuesday 21st October there will be introductions at Nelson Town Hall, followed by time spent looking at Accessible Nelson. In the afternoon bikes and helmets will be picked up from Go Velo. There will then be a cycle tour of Steven Burke Sports Hub and then along the canal and Victoria Park to Pendle Water Bridleway in Lomeshaye.

On Wednesday 22nd October the young people will be taken on a tour of Northlight. That afternoon there will be a walk up Pendle Hill and an evening meal at Pendle Inn.

Daytime on Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th October will be spent working with The Mayoral team. The evening meal on the Thursday will be at Banny's in Colne and dinner on Friday will be provided at their accommodation.

On Saturday 25th October Niklas and Lina return to Marl.

Mayor of Marl

Following recent elections, Thomas Terhorst is the new Mayor of Marl.

Football World Cup Festival 2026

2026 will be the year of the Football World Cup. Marl's neighbouring town Herten will be home to the biggest World Cup Festival in the Ruhr area. It will take place on an industrial heritage site, the Zeche Ewald. The organising team is interested in getting Marl's twin towns involved. They would like to include music groups/bands from the twin towns in the programme before and after the football matches. Marl ask if a band in Pendle might be interested to come to Germany for a visit to Marl and a performance at this World Cup Festival in Herten.

Visit to La Rochelle 2026

Nicolle, President of Creil Twinning Committee, is planning a visit to La Rochelle in France in September 2026.

Venue of meeting

The next Twinning meeting at 5.30pm on Wednesday 15th October 2025 will take place in the Members Room at Nelson Town Hall.