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Issue 04

Archbishop Temple Church of England High School

Next Week's Collective Worship: Luke 10:2

² He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field"

Message from Mr Catlow

Over the summer Robbie Williams made headlines by saying he won't let his daughter have a mobile phone. His reason was simple: childhood is precious, and phones can rob young people of it too soon. His comments struck a chord with me, because in schools we see both the benefits and the downsides of mobiles every single day.

There's no doubt that phones are powerful. They keep us connected, give instant answers, and open doors to the world. But for teenagers, they can also bring constant comparison, late-night scrolling, pressures from social media, and distractions from learning. The research is clear: too much screen time can affect sleep, confidence, and wellbeing.

That's why boundaries matter. Saying "not yet" to a phone, or setting firm rules about when and how it's used, isn't about being strict—it's about protecting young people at a time when they need guidance more than ever. As Robbie Williams pointed out, childhood doesn't last forever. Giving children time without the constant pull of a phone helps them focus on friendships, hobbies, family life, and, importantly, their own sense of self.

At Archbishop Temple, we work hard to strike the right balance with technology. In school, mobiles don't dominate, so that learning and real connection can. At home, I encourage you to feel confident in setting your own boundaries. Your child may tell you "everyone else has one"—but the truth is, more families than you might think are quietly taking the same careful approach.

Together, we can help our young people use technology wisely, not let it use them.

Headteacher's Pupils of The Week

Year 7	Faza H	Extremely polite and respectful
Year 8	Lucas B	Exhibiting good 'character'
Year 9	Elouise H	For being helpful
Year 10	Bruce H	Fantastic attitude to learning across all subjects
Year 11	Tanusha J	Living out our school values

Weekly News

Year 7- and 11-Year Group Photographs

On Wednesday, our school welcomed the photographers for the annual Year 7 and Year 11 group photographs. It's always a special occasion—Year 7 pupils at the very beginning of their journey with us, and Year 11 pupils preparing to bring theirs to a close. Fortunately, the weather was much kinder than last week, and the pupils listened attentively, following the photographers' instructions beautifully. We're really looking forward to seeing the finished pictures, but for now, here's a little glimpse of what's to come.



Archbishop Pupil Council

Another week, another exciting and productive meeting for our Pupil Council!

The pupils have been busy preparing a presentation for our PTA, outlining a bid for funding to help them launch a proposed future project, 'Culture Lunch'.

Our PTA host their 'Dragons Den' each half term. This is designed to give groups and clubs within our school community an opportunity to present a 'pitch' in the hope of securing funding for their chosen projects.

The Pupil Council are thrilled to be able to present their ideas and vision, which they believe will enable our school to further celebrate and appreciate the diverse cultures and traditions we have at Archbishop Temple.

Watch this space!



Pupil Success Out of School

If your child has an achievement, you'd like us to celebrate, please email the details to Mrs Dudaniec at I.dudaniec@archbishoptemple.com. If your child is happy for us to do so, you can also include a photograph, which we'd be delighted to post.

Over the weekend, Holly took part in the **Bluewave Taekwondo Open Poomsae Championships** in Basingstoke, a well-respected event that attracts talented athletes from across the region. Competing against 20 entrants in her category, Holly gave an outstanding performance and secured **3rd place**, earning herself a well-deserved **bronze medal**. This is a fantastic achievement, reflecting her dedication, discipline, and the many hours of training she has put in. We are incredibly proud of her success and look forward to seeing what she accomplishes next.



Careers

Careers in school Next Week:

- Friday 3rd October 2025 - Year 11 - Hutton Sixth Form Grammar Assembly
- Year 11 one-to-one careers appointments are currently being scheduled. Pupils will receive notifications regarding the date and time of their individual careers meeting.

COLLEGE/SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2025 TO JULY 2026	
Cardinal Newman College 	Saturday 11th October 2025 :- 10am - 1pm Saturday 15th November 2025 : 10am - 1pm Saturday 7th February 2026 : 10am - 1pm https://www.cardinalnewman.ac.uk/applynow/open-events
Runshaw College 	Saturday 20 th September 2025 : 10.00am-2.00pm Saturday 16th November 2025 : 10am-2pm https://www.runshaw.ac.uk/study-atrunshaw/experience-runshaw/
Preston College 	YEAR 10 & 11 OPEN EVENT: Wednesday 1 st October 2025 : 4-7pm Saturday 8 th November 2025 : 10am - 2pm. Thursday 5 th March 2026 : 4-7pm https://www.preston.ac.uk/news-andevents/college-calendar/
Myerscough College 	Saturday Course Advice Mornings <i>Generally: 10 till 12.30 on site at each centre (1pm at Preston)</i> Saturday 4th October 2025 Saturday 15th November 2025 https://www.myerscough.ac.uk/schoolsliaison/open-mornings-and-events/
Lancaster Royal Grammar 	Thursday 25 September 2025 (5.30pm-7.30pm) Sixth Form Open Evening - Lancaster Royal Grammar School
Lancaster Girls Grammar Sixth Form 	Thursday 6 th November 2025 (5.30pm to 7.30pm) https://www.lggs.org.uk/sixth-form/welcome-to-lggs-sixth-form https://www.lggs.org.uk/news-and-communication/announcements/item/36/register-forsixth-form-open-evening

Weekly Notices

Message from Mrs Farnworth:

To sign up for music lessons, parents/carers need to read the contract (sent out with this newsletter) and fill out the online form. We then pass the details to the music tutors to sort out the lesson details. Anyone signing up for lessons now will start after half term on a first come first serve signing up.



The link for the online form is: <https://forms.office.com/e/mBhFiTmPtr>

Message from Form Group 11G

Please remind your child to bring into school 50p as 11G will be visiting forms next week to 'Guess the name of the teddy' to win a £25 Amazon voucher, **50p a try**.



Bonfire Night

and Firework Display at

Archbishop Temple

Church of England High School

In Partnership with 1st Broughton Scout Group

Friday 7th November 2025



Food and music from 6pm

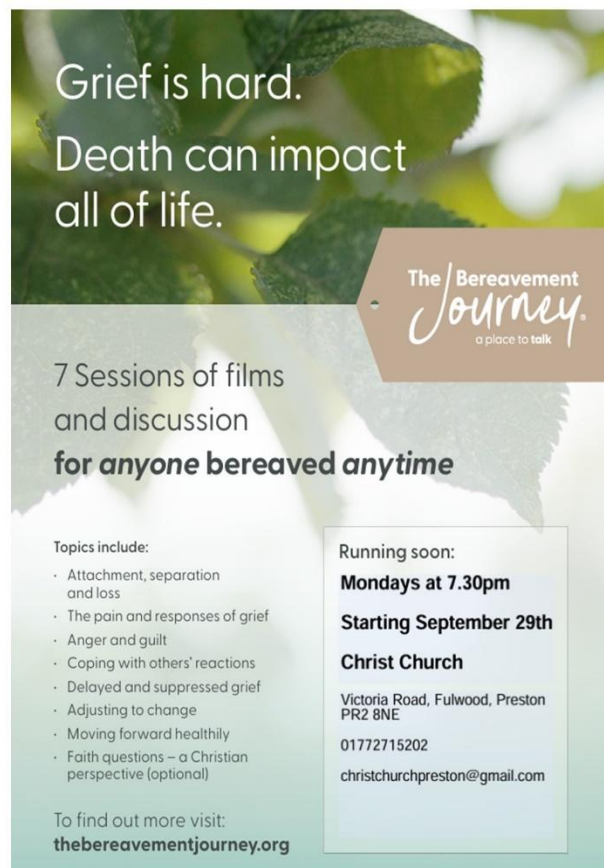
Bonfire lit at 7pm - Fireworks at 8pm

Tickets £6 per adult/child - £20 for a family of four (In advance)

Under 18's must attend with an accompanying adult. This is a no smoking event. Parking only available on Preston College. Car park will be closed and locked from 9.30pm

For more information and to buy tickets scan the QR code or go to <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FHNA>





Subject News

English



Important Dates for your Diary

Day	Date	Time	Event/Activity
Thursday	11/09/2025	Afternoon	Year 7 Author visit (Tom Palmer) — don't forget your book to get signed.
Friday	12/09/2025	Morning	Year 7 & 11 Portrait Photographs
Monday	15/09/2025	Lesson 5	Year 7 Streetwise Road Safety
Monday	22/09/2025	4–5:30pm	Year 11 Information Evening
Thursday	25/09/2025	5pm	Seville trip parent meeting (LJI)
Monday	29/09/2025	4pm	Year 10 Information Evening
Monday	06/10/2025	4pm	Year 7 Information Evening (A chance to meet the your child's form tutor) and collect your child's iPad
Thursday	09/10/2025	4–7pm	Open Evening (School closes for pupils at 12:30pm)
Monday	13/10/2025	4pm	Year 8 Information Evening
Wed-Sat	15/10/2025 - 18/10/2025		Seville Trip
Wed-Thurs	22/10/2025 - 23/10/2025		Year 11 2-day trip to Oxford University
Thursday	23/10/2025	5:30–7pm	Y7 Disco (at school)
Friday	24/10/2025	All day	INSET Day (Pupils stay at home)
Mon-Fri	27/10/2025 - 31/10/2025	All Week	Half Term
Monday	03/11/2025	8:20pm	Back to school (Half Term 2)
Friday	07/11/2025		Archbishop Temple PTA Bonfire Night

The above dates do not include EVERYTHING that is happening in school.
Please see our School Calendar on our website for more



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IMPORTANT REMINDER!

SCHOOL WILL CLOSE AT 12:30PM ON THURSDAY 9TH OCTOBER

Please check synergy and our weekly newsletters for more detail

Parent's Evenings

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
12 th March	15 th January	4 th December	26 th February	22 nd January