

The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 16th October 2026

Unlocking potential together in faith and love

Mission

Each Monday we share our mission of the week in our whole school assembly. Our mission this week is for children to show they have given something to God this week, such as their time, talents, kindness or love. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.

Scripture of the week: 'Then He said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."' Matthew 22:21

Stars of the Week

Rec-Anna
Year 1-Freddie
Year 2-Holly
Year 3-Theo
Year 4-Liam
Year 5- Felix
Year 6-Amaya

Punctuality and Attendance Weekly

Reception-99%
Year 1-94%
Year 2-98%
Year 3-93%
Year 4-94%
Year 5-91%
Year 6-96%
Whole school so far-96%
Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Year 2 lead Wednesday Afternoon Celebration of the Word – Wednesday 21st October at 2:55pm



Parents and carers of children in Year 2 are invited to join us at **2:55pm** in the school hall for our whole school time of prayer which they will lead on Wednesday afternoon. We hope to see you there.

Thank you!

It was lovely to see so many parents and carers at our Harvest Celebration on Wednesday – thank you for making it such a special occasion. Thank you, too, to everyone who contributed to our Harvest Collection for the Food Bank at The Olive Branch – your generosity is much appreciated.



Jesus Comes to Me: Preparation for First Confession and Holy Communion

If your child is in year 4 or above and would like to make their First Holy Communion this academic year, please register for the Cathedral parish preparation programme starting in November. It is for families with children in year 4 and above and includes adult and family sessions. To register please use the QR code, or email Ann-Marie.Houghton@lrcd.org.uk for a link.



Thursday 22nd October – Parent Prayer Drop-In 8:40 – 8:50am in the school hall

All parents and carers are invited to come and light a candle and say a prayer for your child(ren) in the school hall between 8:40am and 8:50am. Everyone welcome – any faith or none. Come through the front door after morning drop-off.

Reflection on the Gospel

Please find reflections and activities on the coming Sunday's Gospel on the link below – you may wish to share it with your child(ren):

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>

Afterschool Club

If your child is booked into After-school club and it is not required please cancel the place with the school office 24 hours beforehand by email on office@cathedral.lancs.sch.uk or bursar@cathedral.lancs.sch.uk . If the place is not cancelled with the school office by email, parents will be charged a session fee of £8.50 due to staffing costs



Black History month

Year 6 are exploring the pioneering life of Bessie Coleman, not only the first female pilot ever, but also the first black pilot ever, gaining her wings years before her male counterparts. Year 6 will also be comparing her inspirational life with role models from British black authors.

Christmas cards

All children have been busy making and creating a Christmas card. The order form was in your child's book bag. Please do help raise essential funds for our school as well as enjoying your child's Christmas cards. All money comes back to school.



Dates for the next half term and Autumn 2

These are key dates so far but some visits are still being arranged. All dates are subject to change and we will inform you of any changes

Monday 19th October – School open day 1-3pm and 4-6pm

Flu vaccines in school

Year 2 forest school morning

Tuesday 20th October – Small school football competition at Moorside.

Wednesday 21st October – Year 5 field trip around Lancaster

Father John into school to talk to classes

Year 2 lead Celebration of the word

Thursday 22nd October – 8.45 – 9.15 am - Parents and carers prayer drop in

Friday 23rd October – Year 2 Space dress up day

School closes for half term

Monday 2nd November – back to school at 8.35am

Friday 6th November – Fire service visit Year 2 and 6

Monday 9th November – World Nursery Rhyme week

Clubs start after school and at lunch time.

Wednesday 11th November – Year 5 and 6 to attend Remembrance day at Miss Whalley's field

Year 1 lead celebration of the word

Monday 16th November Year 6 forest school

Tuesday 17th November – year 5 Viking workshop

Wednesday 18th November – Red Wednesday

Year 6 Mass with the parish

Reception lead Celebration of the word

Thursday 19th November – KS2 adoration in the cathedral

Faith community and curriculum governors meeting.

Friday 20th November – Home clothes in exchange for chocolate

Monday 23rd November – Year 2 forest school
 Wednesday 25th November – Year 3 Celebration of the word
 Friday 27th November – Home clothes in exchange for bottles for the Christmas fair
 Year 5 to OLCC for a day of reflecting about Advent
 Reception visit to the police museum
 Tuesday 1st December – KS2 parish Mass for start of Advent
 Wednesday 2nd December – Year 4 Celebration of the word
 Friday 4th December – Christmas fair 5-7pm
 Monday 7th December – Last clubs after school
 Wednesday 9th December – Nativity 2pm and 6pm in the Cathedral.



OPEN DAY

Monday 19th October 2026
1-3pm and 4-6pm

Come and see our wonderful school in action

"The school has a vision for its pupils to enjoy a rich variety of experiences. This is brought to life at this welcoming school, where there are high expectations of pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). Pupils feel happy, safe and secure in school. They achieve well across many subjects. Pupils rise to the high standards of behaviour that the school expects. Pupils are kind and considerate to each other. They enjoy valuable relationships with their peers and adults."

Latest Ofsted report




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CATHEDRAL PTA

Stronger
Together
Brighter
Futures

Our School
Our Children
Our Community

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

to help at the Christmas Fair

♥ Friday 4th December 2026 ♥



TOMBOLA



REFRESHMENTS



RAFFLE



GAMES
AND MORE!

Everyone is
a member
of the PTA.

Without the PTA
lots of extra resources,
trips and opportunities
are not available.

Give your child
the best opportunities
to learn and experience
something they will
always remember.

✉ To volunteer, please email
chair@cathedralpta.co.uk

SUPPORT
OUR SCHOOL

CREATE
OPPORTUNITIES

MAKE
MEMORIES

If everyone gave an hour,
the PTA could achieve more.

Small
Time
Big
Impact

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT