

The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 2nd 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 love and respect to each other every day. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.

Scripture of the week: Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?'" Matthew 21:42

Stars of the Week

Rec-Arkad
Year 1- Angela
Year 2-Aaliyah
Year 3-Gary
Year 4-Nova
Year 5- Rosalie
Year 6- Asher

Punctuality and Attendance Weekly

Reception-100%
Year 1-97%
Year 2-94%
Year 3-96%
Year 4-99%
Year 5-97%
Year 6-97%
Whole school so far-96%
Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Forest school

Year 6 had a fabulous time exploring Fairfield Nature Reserve with their instructor Eleanor during a beautiful sunny Monday morning. The children identified the various tree species, explored the surrounding grounds and then practised their knot-tying skills before constructing a shelter to protect them from the elements. They are looking forward to next-half term as the forest starts to be laid bare and reveal its hidden secrets!



Abbeystead



Year 3 and 4 children had a fantastic trip to Abbeystead this week, where they spent the day exploring outside. The sunshine came and they enjoyed lots of learning about the environment around them. They especially enjoyed investigating what lives in the River Wyre and identifying what they found.



One Million Children Praying the Rosary

On Wednesday next week, our Key Stage 2 children will join with one million children around the world, praying the Rosary for peace and unity. This prayer campaign is organised by Aid to the Church in Need.



School photos

All children will have their individual photos taken on Wednesday 7th October during school time. If children have siblings in school, they will also have a photo together.

If you would like siblings who are not in school to have a photo, please come to the front office at 8am and you can have a family photo of your children taken.

Reception Stay and Play Friday 9th October 2pm

Come and join your child on Friday 9th October at 2pm for Rhyme and story time in class. This is a super opportunity to see how your child is settling into school and to be involved in their learning.

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

Parents evening booking

Booking opened on Arbor on Monday 28th September, please log into Arbor and book a slot with your child's teacher. Parents evening is on Wednesday 14th October at 3.30-5pm and Thursday 5-7pm. It is essential that all parents and carers make an appointment for us to celebrate your child and talk about any worries you have and we have.

Black History month

October is Black History Month, a time to celebrate, recognise and learn about the achievements, contributions and experiences of Black people throughout history and today. During the month, pupils will take part in a range of age-appropriate activities that explore inspiring individuals, significant events and the importance of equality, respect and inclusion. Will we post some of these on the next few weekly newsletters.

Mass to Celebrate the Dedication of the Cathedral – Sunday 4th October 10:30am in the Cathedral

All families are invited to join us at 10:30am – 11:30am for Mass in the Cathedral on Sunday 4th October to celebrate the feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral. All children will sit together at the front of the Cathedral and children in Key Stage 1 will go to their own children's liturgy. We hope to see lots of you there.

Harvest Celebration and Collection – Wednesday 14th October 2:00pm in the Cathedral

On Wednesday 14th October, the children will lead us in a Harvest Celebration for the whole school and families in the Cathedral at 2:00pm. As part of our celebrations, we will reflect on our mission to help those in need and we invite all families to make donations to our Olive Branch food bank collection – you will receive a separate letter about this. Thank you, as always, for your support.

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>

Dates for the next half term

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.

7th, 8th and 9th October – Lego coding workshop for each class

Wednesday 7th October – School photo day individual and sibling's photos

One million children praying the rosary together

Friday 9th October – Reception stay and play- All Reception parents and carers invited into school.

Wednesday 14th October- Harvest celebration in the Cathedral. Parents and carers welcome. Donations of food also welcome

Parents evening -3.30-5pm

Thursday 15th October – Parents evening – 5-7pm

Friday 16th October – Reception Welly walk

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

Wednesday 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



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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National
Autistic
Society

Lancaster and
Morecambe
Branch

Understanding Autism workshop

Friday 16th October

9:00 to 10:30

Westgate Family Hub

Langridge Way, Morecambe, LA4 4XF

To book a place visit
<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/HBBJ>
or scan the QR code

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