

# The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

# Newsletter 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024

# 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 to others. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.



<u>Scripture of the week -</u> Love Him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself. Mark 12:33

### Stars of the Week

Rec-Issa Mariyan

Year 1- Theo

Year 2- Remy

Year 3- Pippa

Year 4- Amaya

Year 5- Elhana

Year 6- Daria

## Punctuality and Attendance Weekly

Reception-97%

Year 1-91%

Year 2- 97%

Year 3 - 96%

Year 4- 95%

Year 5- 99%

Year 6- 93%

Whole school so far -95%

Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

### **Punctuality!**

At The Cathedral we believe poor punctuality or leaving before the end of the school day is not acceptable, only in exceptional and unavoidable circumstances. We would like to thank parents and carers who support this.

Our school day starts when we open the gates at 8:35am- 8.45am, this is to allow the children to catch up with their friends before learning begins. We appreciate sometimes it's difficult to get your child to school on time, for many different reasons, but please reach out to us if you are struggling, We want the best for your child and are always here to help. Children often feel embarrassed walking into class late and it can make them reluctant to then attend school at all. Lessons are also disrupted when children arrive late or leave early. Please remember school finishes at 3:15pm.

Missing just 10 minutes of school a day is the same as missing 2 weeks over the year! School data shows a link between poor attendance and under-achievement. Please inform the school office if your child is going to be absent or late for school either by Parent App or phone call.

### **Filming**

We have been chosen as the only Primary School to be featured in a short film that Lancashire County Council are making about Inclusivity of all. It will be published on their website once complete. It is around welcoming all, no matter where they are from and the joys that diversity brings to our school. We are so fortunate to have such welcoming children. The film will possibly feature your children as the producers will be filming here all day on Friday. This is covered by the permissions you signed on your data collection form or home school



agreement when your child first started school. It will also feature a small group of children in a workshop talking about their friends.

### Year One lead Wednesday Afternoon Celebration of the Word

Parents and carers of children in Year One are invited to join us at 3:00pm in the school hall for our whole school time of prayer which Year One will lead on Wednesday afternoon. We hope to see you there.

### **Maths Workshop For Parents**

On Wednesday, we are holding a fun and practical session about how to help children who find maths tricky. Please come and join us at 5pm in school.

### **November Remembrance**

November is a time when we particularly remember those who have died. Please see an additional letter about our Tree of Remembrance to especially remember those people we know who have died.

#### **Lego Workshops**

Next week, our Key Stage 2 classes will enjoy engaging with Lego workshops led by an expert Lego coder.

### Year 6 visit to the town hall and met with the Mayor.

We were specially invited to join the Mayor on Monday and were the only school present.

Veronica from Year 6 wrote this.

"When we visited the mayor's parlour, I was blown away by the exhibition about the Lancaster Slavery family trees. It was very detailed and had everyone looking at them, finding out about families such as the Hinde or Gillow family. There was also a truly fascinating banner about the families too.

On the banner it had sewn illustrations of black slaves who stood against it and escaped, They were: Henry/Harry Hinde, Thomas Anson, Frances Elizabeth Johnson and Ebo boy. They were uniquely illustrated and vibrant in a very impressive way. It took over 1 month to sew and I am honoured to have seen it and also to have met the major and talked to her. "

### **Poppy Appeal**

We are now selling a range of items for the Royal British Legion for the Poppy Appeal.

We are selling poppies, slap-bands, stickers, coat reflectors and bracelets, starting from 50p up to £2.00.

The school council will sell these at morning break all next week.

### Clubs

The clubs will start on Thursday November 7<sup>th</sup> and end on 12<sup>th</sup> December. Please pick your child up at 4.15pm. Hopefully the scaffolding will be down but we will send out arrangements on the day about where to pick up.

### Diary dates for Autumn 2 – some of these may change due to circumstances in school.

- 1<sup>st</sup> November All Saints Mass
- 4<sup>th</sup> November Clubs to start
- 5<sup>th</sup> November Year 2 and 3 Lego robot workshop
- 6<sup>th</sup> November Year 6 lego coding

Year 5 and 6 football tournament

Parents maths workshop 5pm – all welcome

- 7<sup>th</sup> November Year 6 class Mass
- 8<sup>th</sup> November Filming day
- 13<sup>th</sup> November Campfire reading evening come and read a story by the campfire.
- 15<sup>th</sup> November 20<sup>th</sup> November Bikeability for Year 6
- 20<sup>th</sup> November Year 1 and 2 to the cinema
- 21st November Bingo Night 4.30pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> November Viking workshop for Year 5
- 25<sup>th</sup> November Dodgeball day for Year 3 and 4
- 29<sup>th</sup> November Home clothes day in exchange for chocolate
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December Year 6 Shelter building
- 4<sup>th</sup> December choir to sing at St Nicholas arcade
- 6<sup>th</sup> December Home clothes day in exchange for bottles

Reception visit to the police museum

- 10<sup>th</sup> December Reception and KS1 Nativty performance in the Cathedral at 2pm and 6pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> December Home clothes in exhange for a gift for an adult

CHRISTMAS FAIR 5pm - 7pm

17<sup>th</sup> December – Secrets room

18<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 party come in party clothes
Christmas lunch
Whole school carol service in the Cathedral 2pm
19<sup>th</sup> December – Reception and KS1 party come in party clothes
Christmas panto 1pm
20<sup>th</sup> December – Finish school at 1.30pm

