



The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 6th October 2023

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 help and show how to care for God's world. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.

Scripture of the week: The kingdom of God will be taken away and given to a people who will produce the proper fruits .

Stars of the Week

Rec- Melodi
Year 1- Eleri-Raine
Year 2- Francesca
Year 3- Imogen
Year 4- Mia
Year 5- Ali
Year 6- Dominic

Punctuality and Attendance

Reception- 96%
Year 1-97%
Year 2- 96%
Year 3- 92%
Year 4- 96%
Year 5- 94%
Year 6- 94%
Whole school- 96%

Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Harvest Celebration and Collection – Tuesday 10th October at 2:00pm in the Cathedral

Please join us for our Harvest Celebration next week. As part of our celebrations, our St Francis of Assisi group are leading a collection of items to give to The Olive Branch for their food bank in Lancaster. It would be wonderful if every child could bring in an item as detailed below:

Reception class: tins of spaghetti hoops or ravioli

Year One: tins of fruit or vegetables (peas and sweetcorn)

Year Two: tins of meat or fish

Year Three: tins of tomatoes or chickpeas or Basmati rice

Year Four: pasta sauce jars or tinned rice pudding

Year Five: toothpaste or cereals or jam

Year Six: coffee, tea, multipacks of biscuits

Please send your item(s) into school on Tuesday 10th October. Thank you, as always, for your generous support.

Then come along to the PTA Launch Party – October 10th 3.30pm FREE

Who can turn down a free party? Come and enjoy a glass of wine and cheese and a chat with friends from school. There will also be tea and coffee available.

The PTA has been working hard behind the scenes and they would like to share with you where the money has been spent and how it is helping your child.

Free raffle for everyone with many prizes including vouchers and wines.

At the PTA launch party there is an agenda to help them show you all what they have been busy doing.

Agenda: 10th October 2023, 3.30pm at the school hall

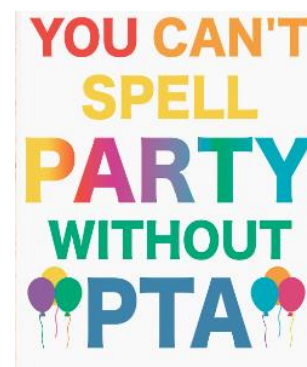
· Apologies Names of any committee members that can't attend and have sent apologies.

· Chair's report An informal report from the Chair on the year's activities.

· Treasurer's report A formal presentation of the examined accounts for the past year.

Election of committee members

o Chair (nominee: Duncan Sutton)



o Treasurer (nominee: Rachael McCullough)
o Secretary (nominee: Grace Glazier)
Special business
PTA constitution
Any other business
Close of business

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you for all your support and donations of cakes and raffle prizes last Friday. The school councillors raised a wonderful £308 for Macmillan.

School Football Tournaments

This week a team of girls went to OLCC to play in a school tournament, we are so proud of them all and gained a silver medal.

Also the boys played in very wet conditions last night at Moorside school, we are also very proud of them working as a new team and showing commitment to the game.

A big thank you to Mrs Copsey and Mr Marshall for taking them.

Teaching Assistant Vacancy

We are looking for someone to fill this position which is: TA2A Support: 32 ½ hours contract (38 weeks pro rata). If you or someone you know is looking for a teaching assistant post, please contact school on 01524 64686 or look on non teaching vacancies website - https://schooljobs.lancashire.gov.uk/nt_vacancyDetails.asp?id=62211

Parents Evening 2023

Parents evening will be held in school Wednesday 18th October 5-7pm and Thursday 19th 3:30-5:00pm.

Please book on the App for each child.

School Photograph Day

Tuesday 10th October is school photo day, your child will have an individual photo taken and also one with sibling also in school.

If you have younger children at home and you would like a photo altogether you can arrive at school from 8:15am - 8:45am.

Open Day

We are holding an open day for prospective parents for Reception 2024. This is on Monday 16th October 1-3pm and 4-6pm. Please spread the word about coming to look around our wonderful school.

Secondary School Admissions

If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for their secondary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools
It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application.

You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

The closing date for secondary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 31 October 2023.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 10th October – School photos for individuals and siblings

2pm - Harvest celebration in the Cathedral. All welcome.

Wednesday 11th October – Year 6 to Blackpool Zoo

Friday 13th October – Reception stay and play 2pm – all parents, carers and grandparents welcome

Monday 16th October – Open Day 1-3pm and 4-6pm

Tuesday 17th October – Year 4 to Leighton Hall.

Wednesday 18th October – Parents evening 5-7pm

Thursday 19th October – Parents evening 3.30-5pm

Viking dress up day- Year 5

Year 2 dress up as an Alien

Friday 20th October- Black history day in school

HALF TERM school closes at 3:30pm and after school club is till 6pm.

Online Safety

As part of our ongoing work on online safety here is our next guide – You Tube. We strongly advise children to use children’s tube not you tube. Please read the leaflet below to help you navigate youtube.

You Tube

YouTube is a video sharing site/application that enables you to upload, view, rate, share and comment on a wide variety of videos. Consisting of a huge resource of information, advice and entertainment, YouTube now has 1.9 billion logged-in monthly users who watch a billion hours of video daily. Most of the content on Google-owned YouTube is uploaded by individuals, but organisations and media companies also offer some of their content via this platform.



SHARING VIDEOS

YouTube's comment section is infamous for being one of the most opinionated on the Internet. Many children are keen to share their own videos online. However, they may later regret it or feel embarrassed about what they have shared. There is also a risk that they will receive negative comments regarding not only their content, but also their appearance.

AGE INAPPROPRIATE VIDEOS

There is content available for all ages, meaning that some content will not be appropriate for your child. If you think that content is unsuitable, there is a flagging feature to submit it for review by YouTube staff, but you will need to be aware that just because video is not appropriate for a younger audience, it may not violate YouTube's policies. YouTube has mechanisms in place to automatically remove explicit and harmful content, yet offensive content may still slip through.

DANGEROUS VIDEOS

On YouTube, 'challenge videos' are shared quickly and can be very dangerous. One person may post a video of themselves doing something unusual like eating a hot chilli or jumping in a river, the video goes viral and everyone wants to join in and share their videos.

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The legal age for a YouTube Channel

You Tube



Top Tips for Parents

TURN ON 'RESTRICTED' MODE

'Restricted Mode' is an optional setting you can use to help screen out potentially mature content you may prefer your child not to see. Restricted Mode works on the browser or device level, so must be turned on for each browser or device your child uses. To do this, follow these steps:

- Desktop:
- Go to the bottom of any YouTube page and switch 'Restricted Mode' to 'ON.'
 - To make it more difficult for this to be turned off, you will be given the option to lock restricted mode onto your browser.
- Mobile:
- Tap the three vertical dots at the top-right on the screen and press, 'Settings.'
 - Click on 'Restricted mode filtering.'
 - Press 'Restrict.' You will need to turn this on each time your child uses it.

MONITOR WHAT YOUR CHILD IS WATCHING/POSTING

The only way to truly know what your child may have been watching is to regularly monitor them. You can do this by checking their viewing history. Show them how to set their videos to private or choose a small network of YouTubers to share with. To get started, your child can use YouTube Studio which offers learning modules on creating a YouTube channel; however, you should encourage them not to use their real name.

BLOCKING ACCOUNTS

If somebody's giving your child a difficult time, here's how to block them and prevent future comments and replies:

- Go to their channel/account by clicking on their name.
- Click on 'About.'
- Tap the dropdown box with an image of a flag on it.
- Press 'Block user.'
- Tap 'Submit.'

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