

The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 10th January 2025

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 for others in our school family. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.

Stars of the Week

Rec- Lui
Year 1- Francine
Year 2- Ishmeet
Year 3- Elvis
Year 4- Harry
Year 5- Layla
Year 6- Chloe

Punctuality and Attendance Weekly

Reception- 92%
Year 1- 98%
Year 2-98%
Year 3 –95%
Year 4- 97%
Year 5-98%
Year 6-98%
Whole school so far-94%

Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Scripture of the week: He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Luke 3:16

Welcome back

It was so nice to see lots of smiling faces on Tuesday. As a reminder we place a very high priority on good attendance. We expect children to attend school every day, as long as they are fit and healthy enough to do so. Regular attendance at school will give your child the best possible start in life; it helps children develop their confidence and make and keep lasting friendships; learn new skills; have fun and take part in exciting activities.

We hope in 2025 our attendance will continue to improve and we will hopefully reach our whole school target of 96%!



Uniform reminder

Shoes and Trainers Allowed



- ✓ Plain black leather shoes or trainers with black soles and no visible logos or detail.
- ✓ Velcro fastenings needed for children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 and those who struggle with laces.

Year 5 lead Wednesday Afternoon Celebration of the Word

Parents and carers of children in Year 5 are invited to join us at 3:00pm in the school hall for our whole school time of prayer which they will lead on Wednesday afternoon. We hope to see you there.

Year 5 Cyber STEM Challenge Workshop – Tuesday 14th January

On Tuesday afternoon, Year 5 will take part in a workshop led by STEMFirst. This will involve working in small groups on a STEM activity linked to cybersecurity and online safety. It is fully-funded and I am sure the children will benefit greatly from the experience.

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/baptism?pid=MTA101634&v=159.3>

Diary dates for Spring 1 – some of these may change due to circumstances in school.

Wednesday 15th January 3pm – Year 5 lead Celebration of the word. Parents and carers welcome.

Friday 14th January – Jubilee year luanch day in school.

Tuesday 28th January – Poetry performance in the school hall at 9am. All welcome to watch.

Monday 3rd Feb – Greek workshop for Year 5

Wednesday 5th Feb 5.30pm and Thursday 6th Feb 3.30pm – Borwick hall parents meeting. ESSENTIAL FOR ALL PARENTS TO ATTEND ONE MEETING

Year 4 lead Celebtraion of the word .3pm - Parents welcome

Friday 7th February – Reception welly walk to Williamson park.

Monday 10th February- Year 4 Anglo Saxon workshop

Year 5 at Our Lady of Lourdes celebration

Tuesday 11th February – Online safety day

9am – Parents online saftey meeting in the hall

Monday 10th February – Year 1 to wildlife Oasis

Wednesday 12th February 3pm – Year 3 lead celebration of the word. Parents welcome.

Year 2 to visit Lancaster castle

Thursday 13th February – Year 6 Eypgtian dress up day

Friday 14th February 2pm – Reception Stay and play

HALF TERM

Monday 24th February - back to school

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY SOUTH

Do you have a child starting primary school in September 2022 and living in Lancashire?

APPLY NOW!

WWW.LANCASHIRE.GOV.UK/SCHOOLS
or give us a call on 01772 532109

CLOSING DATE: 15 JANUARY 2022

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

HAVE YOUR SAY
Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk and search 'School Admission Policies'

Lancashire County Council

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Last few days to apply.

Online safety

As lots of children have had technology for Christmas please read the information about Robolox.

ROBLOX

According to the Roblox website, 'Roblox is the world's largest interactive social platform for play.' For those of you who are unfamiliar with the game, it is a multi-player online gaming platform which allows children to play and create a variety of games in a 3D world. Roblox is free to play and available on all modern smartphones, tablets, desktops, Xbox One, Oculus Rift, and HTC Vive.

ROBLOX STUDIO

The Roblox Studio allows users to create their own games and 'worlds' for others to play on the platform. As the games are user generated, it gives users the freedom to potentially include things you do not want your child to be exposed to, for example, weapons, violence and even pornographic content. There are no age restrictions on the games created in the Roblox Studio and to remove games from the platform Roblox relies on people reporting negative/violent content.

CHATTING & FRIEND REQUESTS

Whilst the games in Roblox are aimed at 8 to 18-year-olds, there are currently no age restrictions for signing up. This means that both adults and young people can play and communicate with each other and send friend requests through the platform. Once a friend request is accepted, this means that they can communicate with each other outside of gameplay.



ROBUX ONLINE PAYMENTS

When a user creates a game, they earn something called 'Robux,' which works as a currency within the platform and enables the purchase of upgrades and memberships. If the created game is of good quality and attracts multiple players and in-game adverts, children have the ability to earn a lot of 'Robux.' Once a user has earned a certain amount of Robux, they can convert this to real cash and withdraw it to a PayPal account. To withdraw money, users need to be over 13, have a PayPal account and have paid for the Roblox premium subscription.

13+ The legal age for Roblox

ROBLOX



Top Tips for Parents

CHECK SHARED INFORMATION

In the account settings, check that your child is not giving away any personal information in their bio/profile. For example, their full name, phone number or snapchat name. If you see that they have, explain why this is potentially dangerous and remove immediately.



2-STEP VERIFICATION

Roblox has a great two-step verification security feature which we recommend you enable to add an extra layer of security to your child's account.

DISABLE IN-GAME CHAT

Roblox is great for children to play together and chat to each other. However, if you want to completely turn off-in-game chat for your child (meaning they cannot contact anyone, including their friends) you can do so by following these steps: When logged in, go to the Account Settings page by clicking on the gear icon at the top right corner of the page, then click Settings. Next, click on the Privacy tab and under 'Who can chat with me in game?' select 'No one' and this will disable in-game chat.

IS YOUR CHILD UNDER 13?

Unfortunately, there are hundreds of YouTube videos showing children how to change their age settings on Roblox, so firstly, you should talk to your child to set up some rules/an agreement. There are additional safety features for children under 13, for example having their posts and chats filtered for inappropriate content and behaviour, so it is worth checking that your child has set up their account with the correct age.

You can find this in their account settings.



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