



The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 15th May 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 love others through their words and actions. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.

Stars of the Week

Rec- Ahaana
Year 1- Isha
Year 2- Sivakesh
Year 3- Lucas
Year 4- Francesca
Year 5- Majesty
Year 6- Noah

Punctuality and Attendance Weekly

Reception-95%
Year 1-93%
Year 2-97%
Year 3-96%
Year 4-98%
Year 5-97%
Year 6-100%
Whole school so far-95.6%
Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Scripture of the week

At that time: Jesus lifted up His eyes to Heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given Him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given Him." John 17:1-2

Sports Day on Friday 22nd May

Our annual Sports day is next Friday 22nd May. We have chosen to do this early again so that the weather will be more suited to a whole day of activity. The event is held at University of Cumbria sports field from 10am-2pm. Please bring a picnic blanket/ chairs and picnic lunch so that you can spend the day with the children. Children will take part in team sport activities and then some competitive races in the afternoon. All children will need a packed lunch for that day. (Please note packed lunches have already been ordered in school and cannot be ordered on the day) THIS EVENT WILL ONLY GO AHEAD IF THE WEATHER IS SUITABLE. We will send out a message if we cancel. Let's pray for good weather.

PTA uniform collection

Please send in any preloved uniform to school next week for a collection. We will be holding a sale next half term.

First Aid training for all KS2

All KS2 children will have first aid training in school thanks to funding from PTA. They will all be trained by a professional first aid trainer in valuable first aid skills.

Statutory Assessments

There are a number of assessments taking place in this term.

- Year 1 Phonics Screening will take place during the week commencing 23rd June
- Year 4 Multiplication Tables Test during the week commencing 2nd June

Guidance for parents for KS1 OPTIONAL Tests

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/65eaf9ae62ff489bab87b32d/2024_Information_for_parents_option_al_tests_at_the_end_of_key_stage_1.pdf

Tables Information for Parents (Year 4)

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6543c1ef9e05fd0014be7c64/2024_Information_for_parents_Multipl_ication_tables_check_PDFA_v1.1.pdf

Parent Questionnaire feedback.

We were very happy that so many parents had only a few improvements to suggest but we really do want to provide the best we can and so are grateful for any further suggestions.

What could we do to make Cathedral even better?	No	Ideas moving forward
More collaboration with parents and teachers to suggest and build the school even better	1	We are always looking for volunteers for our PTA as this is the best way to collaborate. PTA have a committee who meet and if you would like to join please do let us know.
Some grass to play on	1	We wish we had more but unfortunately we don't.
Use a soft core on the school play area to reduce injuries following fall.	1	We currently have soft core on one playground and below the climbing frame and trim trail. We can certainly consider soft core on the larger playground but this is a huge cost to school in a budget limited time. We will put this idea forward to the PTA.
If we could book ASC on Arbor and have a record of what we booked and easier to cancel and adjustment that would be better	1	This is something that we are looking into.
Tracker for reading so every child is encouraged to read more and make improvements.	1	Reading is of great importance and we do keep track of children's reading in school using their reading record and use the library cloud to track library reading too. We appreciate all the encouragement that home can give
Handwashing before lunch times	1	This already takes place in all classes and is a great idea.
White gate opened	2	The white gate is shut at the request of Lancaster Diocese Education Centre due to safeguarding concerns. Unfortunately, school cannot change this.
Offer free nit treatment	2	School recommend that cheap conditioner is used to comb out all the eggs and live nits. Hair treatment can be given free under minor ailment scheme which Boots provide.

CATHEDRAL PTA

UNIFORM COLLECTION

Skirts

Jumpers

Ties

Hoodies

Cardigans

The PTA urgently needs items of clean badged uniform to replenish our stocks. Please bring in any items that have been outgrown to school commencing Monday 18th May.

Diary dates for Spring 2 and Summer 1 – some of these may change due to circumstances in school

Monday 18th May – New Reception starters meeting 5-6pm

Panda first Aid training for all KS2

Thursday 21st May – Reception stay and play – change of date

Friday 22nd May – Sports Day at the University of Cumbria

School closes for half term at 3.15pm

Monday 1st June – Back to school for Summer 2

Monday 8th June – Year 1 phonics screening starts

Tuesday 9th June – KS2 Adoration

Wednesday 10th June – Year 5 Celebration of the word at 2pm

Friday 12th June – Year 3 to Ashton Hall for a music concert

Wednesday 17th June – Year 3 Celebration of the word at 2pm

Friday 19th June – Father's day afternoon tea in school

Wednesday 24th June – Year 2 Celebration of the word at 2pm

Thursday 25th June – Summer disco

Saturday 27th June – Year 4 join Singspiration concert in the town hall. See below for how to get tickets.

Monday 29th June – St Peter and St Paul day in school

Wednesday 1st July – Reception Celebration of the word at 2pm

Friday 3rd July – Reception trip

Monday 6th July – Enterprise week

Tuesday 7th July – Liverpool Residential

Friday 10th July – Enterprise and Summer Fair

Tuesday 14th July – Year 6 play

Wednesday 15th July Break the rules day

Reception stay and play

Leavers Mass 6pm

Thursday 16th July – End of Year Mass

Friday 17th July – Finish school for Summer holidays at 1:30pm

HELP ME GET READY FOR SCHOOL

Is your child starting school? Are you prepared?

Come along to our 3 sessions to support your child's journey into their primary education in a fun and interactive way.

THURSDAY 7TH, 14TH AND 21ST MAY
9:30-11AM
FIRBANK FAMILY HUB, FIRBANK ROAD, LA1 3HL

- Breakfast station with refreshments for everyone
- "Getting school ready" themed activities with prizes and freebies
- Advice, tips and guidance for being school ready
- Open for children with their parents/carers and have the opportunity to meet others you might be starting school with

Free Kids Crafts

at Judges Lodgings Museum

Drop-In between 11am-4pm. No booking required.

Mini Masterpieces

Thursday 28 May

Get creative with artist Lela Harris with this special drop-in kids art session about the servants at Judges Lodgings. Try some new skills and make your own special portrait to take home. Plus, you can create greetings card inspired by jelly moulds and start stitching to make your own simple mob cap to wear.



Walk Like an Egyptian

Friday 29 May

Journey to the time of the ancient Pharaohs as you make a sparkling golden face mask and sculpt Egyptian relics and amulets out of air-drying clay!



Normal admission charges to visit the rest of the museum
Adults £5 Children Free

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