

The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 19th December 2025

Unlocking potential together in faith and love

Stars of the Week

Rec-Lana-Rae
Year 1-Aldous
Year 2-Kathleen
Year 3-Ysabela
Year 4-Rosalie
Year 5-Imogen
Year 6-Alex

Attendance for Autumn term

Rec-92%
Year 1-94%
Year 2-92%
Year 3-96%
Year 4-96%
Year 5-95%
Year 6 -95%



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of this term and prepare to celebrate the joy of Christmas, I want to take a moment to thank you for your support this term. Christmas reminds us of the importance of love, hope, and togetherness, and we are blessed to share these values with you and your children. Thank you for being part of our school family and for everything you do.

This term has been filled with wonderful learning experiences, from exploring new topics in class to deepening our learning outside of school with visit and trips. The children make us proud every day. I would also like to express my heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated staff. Their hard work, care, and commitment have made this term a success and ensured that every child feels valued and supported.

I wish you all a joyful, peaceful Christmas and a happy New Year and I look forward to welcoming everyone back in January.

God bless,

Mrs Holt

Thank You

Thank you for your generous donations to our collections for Lancaster and District Homeless Action Service. They will be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Mass times in the Cathedral

Christmas Midnight Mass in the Cathedral: starts with Carols at 11.30pm

Christmas Day: The Cathedral – 10.30am

Mass to Celebrate Epiphany – Tuesday 6th January at 12:15pm in the Cathedral

Tuesday 6th January is the feast of the Epiphany of our Lord. Children in Key Stage 2 will join the parish for Mass in the Cathedral at 12:15pm. Children in Key Stage 1 will have a Liturgy of the Word for Epiphany in school.

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/holiday-booklet?pid=MTA101634&v=167.5>

Uniform reminder

As the holidays approach and there is more time to go shopping, here is a quick reminder about key uniform items. All children need to be wearing school shoes NOT boots or trainers.

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.

Eden Red voucher

Eden red vouchers will be sent via email or in paper today for the Christmas holidays.

Headlice

Several parents have informed us that some unwanted visitors in the form of head lice have returned in some classes. I would be grateful if you could take the time over the holiday to check your child's head and treat them if needed.

Unfortunately, this is a common problem in schools and the only way to eradicate the problem is for every child to have their child checked and treated if necessary on a weekly basis. Please check your child every Friday and make this bug busting day. Thank you for your co-operation.

The CFW Nurture Parenting Programme launches this January. This free 10-week course is designed for parents of children up to 11 years old and runs for two hours each week. It covers key topics such as understanding behaviour, recognising feelings behind actions, exploring positive discipline strategies, encouraging co-operation and self-discipline, and the importance of self-care. Places are limited to 15 per session, so early booking is essential. Full dates and booking QR Code is available on the attached poster

THANK YOU

Over the Christmas activities we have raised £2555. This is a superb amount and this went to us all being able to go to the pantomime. We had such a good time. Thank you to the committee and in particular Mr Duncan Sutton who is the Chair.

BACK TO SCHOOL 5th JANUARY 2026 8.45am

CATHEDRAL PTA NEWSLETTER



DECEMBER 2025

Christmas roundup 2025

A BIG thank you!

The PTA committee would like to thank all members of the PTA for supporting the various events and fundraising activities that have been held this term. An extra-special thank you to all those parents, families, and members of the school team for giving their time to help set up and run these events and activities.

Pre-loved uniform collection

We are always collecting school uniform for our pre-loved sales. Please bring items into school. Items in high demand include: school jumpers, sleeveless jumpers and hoodies.

Christmas Pantomime

What a wonderful afternoon the whole school had at The Grand Theatre. Fully funded by the PTA, everyone enjoyed watching 'Puss in Boots'.

Merry Christmas

We want to wish everyone a Happy Christmas surrounded by your loved ones.

Christmas fundraising



Calendar Dates

Saturday 28th February. -Asda Bag pack
Thursday 26th March – Spring Disco
Tuesday 31st March – Easter Egg Hunt & Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
Monday 15th June – Cultural Food Night
Thursday 25th June – Summer Disco
Friday 10th July Summer Fayre & Enterprise Day



Helping your PTA!

All the fundraising that the PTA organise, provides extra opportunities for your child while they are at The Cathedral Catholic Primary School. Everyone is part of the PTA and when we all help, it brings the school community together. It is a truly lovely experience to support your child's school in any way.

Get in touch. Contact the Chair: chair@cathedralpta.co.uk

Come and find out how to get the best out of family life



We will be running the Nurture parenting
Programme in 2026

Call 01524 581280 to book on or see QR link below



Lancashire
County Council



Centre	Time	Date
Westgate	9:30-11:30	12/1/2026
Lune Park	9:30- 11:30	15/1/2026
Westgate	9:30- 11:30	20/4/2026
Lune Park	9:30- 11:30	23/4/2026
Westgate	9:30-11:30	14/9/2026
Lune Park	9:30-11:30	17/9/2026

BEST
START
IN LIFE



CHRISTMAS
WARM SPACE 2025
AT
LUNE PARK FAMILY HUB
RYELANDS PARK
LANCASTER
LA1 2LN

10am - 11am

Monday 22nd Tuesday 23rd
Monday 29th Tuesday 30th
and
Wednesday 31st
December 2025



Pop in, warm up, and
make yourself at home,
whether you fancy a cuppa,
a bite to eat, a chat,
our doors are open.



It's free, friendly, and a great way
to feel part of the community.



**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
PRIMARY
NORTH**

**Do you have a child starting
primary school in September 2026
and living in Lancashire?**

Closing date: 15 January 2026

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

Apply for a school place now by scanning
the QR code or visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools

If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference,
please check the guidance on our website, or call 01524 581148.

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/schoolplaces
and click 'school admission policies'.

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YOUR SAY**

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County
Council**

Lancaster City Museums

TWIXTMAS MUSEUM MEGA MAKING SESSIONS

*Jam-packed with creative fun for the
whole family*

**Monday 29 December
Tuesday 30 December
Lancaster Maritime
Museum**

Book online to secure
your space

**£4.50 for as many crafting
activities as you can manage**

Lancaster Maritime Museum, St George's
Quay, Lancaster, LA1 1RB
Usual admission fees for adult museum
entry apply:
Locals (LA1-LA6) FREE, Other adults £5

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