

The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 24th 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 open their hearts to the friendship of God. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.

Stars of the Week

Rec- Absent Year 1- Mary Year 2- Astrid Year 3- Absent Year 4- Jordan Year 5- Thomas Year 6- Samara Punctuality and Attendance Weekly Reception- 89% Year 1- 94% Year 2-96% Year 3 –95% Year 4- 94% Year 5-95% Year 6-95% Whole school so far-94% Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Scripture of the week: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour. Luke 1:18-19

Jubilee Year

In the Catholic Church, a Jubilee or Holy Year is a special year of forgiveness and reconciliation, in which people are invited to come back into right relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation.

A Jubilee Year is celebrated by the Church every 25 years. This has been the case since 1470, when Pope Paul II changed it from every 50 years. A Pope can also proclaim an Extraordinary Jubilee, like the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy which Pope Francis inaugurated in 2015.

The theme is Pilgrims of Hope. Pope Francis has invited Catholics to renew our hope and discover a vision that can "restore access to the fruits of the

earth to everyone". We are also invited to rediscover a spirituality of God's creation in which we understand ourselves as "pilgrims on the earth" rather than masters of the world.

National Jubilee Launch Day for Schools

Today we joined with schools across the country in launching the Jubilee Year in the Catholic Church. The children reflected on this Sunday's Gospel and on the Jubilee Year logo which is shown here. Everyone has created a piece of artwork on the Jubilee Year themes and some of these will be entered into a Diocesan competition.

<u>Hot Chocolate Day – Friday 31st January</u>

Next Friday, to raise money for heating the Cathedral, everyone can buy a hot chocolate and a biscuit for £1. It costs a lot of money to heat the Cathedral and we used it a few times during the autumn term when we were preparing for the Nativity Play so we would like to make a donation towards the cost of this. Thank you to our GIFT team for organising this fundraising activity.

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):





Poetry Performance

Please come and see your child perform a poem on Tuesday starting at 9.15am in the school hall. It would be great to have an audience for them to perform to.

New Relational policy

Over the last year we have been working very hard at adpating our Behaviour policy which is now called Relational and Relationships Policy. Our children are very well behaved and make good choices and we reward this while helping them to reflect on wrong choices. The policy is available on the website for you to look at.

Data Collection Forms

Your child brought home last week a data collection sheet for you to check your details for our school system. Please check the details are correct and send back to school to let us know if there are any changes. Thank you for all the returned sheets.

Headlice

Please have a very close look at your child's hair this weekend and treat if you see live lice. The best way to help is by using conditioner to comb out the eggs. Please do help us all by checking.

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

Tuesday 28th January – Poetry perfomance in the school hall at 9am. All welcome to watch. Film premiere of the Inclusion film at the Dukes Theatre (invited parents and children only)

Friday 31st January – Hot chocolate day 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 Celebration 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 Year 3 stone age dress up day PTA Film night 3.30pm- 5pm. Film choices to follow

Friday 14th February 2pm – Reception Stay and play <u>Finish for HALF TERM 3:15pm</u> <u>Monday 24th February - Back to school 8:35am</u>

Enrolments now open.

Early Stages Ages: 6-7 years Times: 9:45-11:15

Ages: 4-5 years Times: 11:15-12:45

Ages: 4-7 years Times: 12:45-14:15

<u>Main Stages</u> Ages: 7-15 years Times: 10:00-13:00 / 14:00-17:00

Ages: 15-18 years Times: 13:00-16:00

Saturday classes at the University of Cumbria, Lancaster.

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