

## The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

**Newsletter 24<sup>th</sup> October 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 who can be like Saints and show that God is in us. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission

#### **Stars of the Week**

Rec- Leo  
Year 1-Lui  
Year 2-Isa-Rose  
Year 3-Remy  
Year 4-Trinity  
Year 5-Eliana  
Year 6-Arianna

#### **Punctuality and Attendance Weekly**

Reception-83%  
Year 1-93%  
Year 2- 88%  
Year 3-97%  
Year 4-90%  
Year 5-87%  
Year 6-91%  
Whole school so far-94%  
**Be in the line for quarter to nine!!**

### **Scripture of the week**

Jesus went up on the mountain... And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven." Matthew 5:1-3

### **Attendance**

We want all our children to enjoy coming to school. We have over 120 children whose attendance is above 96% (1 ½ days off) with 59 at 100% (0 days off) WELL DONE TO YOU ALL. Please see our congratulations message on Arbor to your child.

Research has proven that there is a high correlation between school attendance and academic performance and success. Absence from school is often the greatest single cause of poor performance and achievement.

We've made a good start to the year despite having lots of viruses and illness. If your child has been ill this half term let's hope they are better next half term so we can improve our attendance.

**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**



**Every School Day Counts!**

### **Boys football tournament**

Year 5 and 6 boys took part in a Catholic school's football tournament on Thursday. They were super representatives of our school and played really well together gaining a bronze medal. Well done!!!!

### **Year 2 lead Wednesday Afternoon Celebration of the Word – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

Parents and carers of children in Year 2 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 5<sup>th</sup> November. We hope to see you there.

### **P.E. kit days next half term**

On their PE days, please can children in Years 1-6 come into school wearing PE kits. Black joggers can be worn instead of black shorts now the weather is getting cooler. Children should wear a school PE hoodie or their school jumper with PE kit. PE kit days next half term are:

|               |                                                            |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Year 1</b> | Monday and Tuesday                                         |
| <b>Year 2</b> | Tuesday and Friday                                         |
| <b>Year 3</b> | Tuesday and Wednesday                                      |
| <b>Year 4</b> | Tuesday and Friday (children continue swimming on Fridays) |

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| <b>Year 5</b> | Monday and Wednesday |
| <b>Year 6</b> | Tuesday and Thursday |

### **News from our GIFT team:**

This term, we have been doing a variety of things including ... collecting food for The Olive Branch for people in need, celebrating Little Way Week, giving out booklets about St Therese of Lisieux and last but not least, we have been preparing lunchtime rosary prayer times for Key Stage 2 every Tuesday.

We learnt about the life of St Therese of Lisieux and how we can follow her little way of kindness in our everyday life. (Lily and Alicia – Year 5 GIFT team members)

### **Clubs**

Clubs will take place on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November till 10<sup>th</sup> December. Clubs will finish at 4.15pm. Please come to the front door and we will dismiss from the hall.

On Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November clubs will be on Arbor to sign up. Please only sign up for one club per child and it is essential they come to all 5 weeks. The clubs are on a first come first served basis.

| Name of club         | Year group          | Staff member              |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Choir                | Y4,5, 6             | Mrs Dickinson             |
| Drama                | Y5 and 6            | Mr Hodder and Mrs Milford |
| Christmas crafts KS1 | Rec, Y1 and 2       | Mrs Cook                  |
| Christmas crafts KS2 | Year 3, 4, 5 and 6  | Miss McShane              |
| Disney               | R, 1 and 2          | Mrs Lee                   |
| Crochet              | Y 5 and 6           | Mrs Lowe                  |
| Ball skills          | Y1,2 and 3          | Miss Dawson               |
| Pokemon              | Y 2, 3, 4 , 5 and 6 | Mrs Benson                |

### **Poppy sale**

After half term we will be selling poppies and other British legion items for Remembrance day. The office helpers will be going to classes. If you would like your child to contribute, please send money in an envelope so they can buy an item.

Items for sale are:

Poppy- 50p

Snap bands – £2

Bracelets - £2

Keyrings - £1

Stickers – 50p



### **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>

### **Message for Key Stage 2 children from Lancaster Music Centre:**



Diary dates – Some dates will change to circumstance but please do check your emails for Arbor updates on dates.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Start of school at 8.35am

Sign up for clubs will open

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Reception stay and play 2pm – CHANGED DATE

9<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity play at 2pm and 6pm in the Cathedral – SAVE THE DATE

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – school finishes for Christmas 1.30pm

# Halloween Half Term

## At Judges' Lodgings Museum



**Candy Cottage Workshop**

**Free\* on Friday 31 October**

**Drop In anytime 11am – 4pm**

Bring your little horrors for a spookily good time this October Half-Term to make their own candy witch's cottage. Have some frightening fun with treats galore at Lancaster's oldest Town House.

Plus, throughout October your little monsters can also discover our spell-bindingly good Halloween house trail which finishes with a treat. Open 11am – 4pm Thursday to Sunday. 50p per child.

\*Charges apply for adults visiting the rest of the museum

