

The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 27th March 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 give, act and pray during Lent. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.

Stars of the Week

Rec-Jesse James
Year 1-Nathaniel
Year 2-Joshua
Year 3-Isabelle
Year 4- Francesca
Year 5-Absent
Year 6- Absent

Punctuality and Attendance Weekly

Reception-92%
Year 1-96%
Year 2-94%
Year 3-92%
Year 4-98%
Year 5-92%
Year 6-92%
Whole school so far-94%

Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Mrs Holt end of term message

As this is the last newsletter of Spring Term, it has given me time to look back and reflect on what a busy and joy-filled term we have had. We have enjoyed visits and visitors especially our Mother's Day celebration. Thank you for all the parents who filled out our parent questionnaire. It was heart-warming to read such positive comments.

Next Wednesday, we will gather as a Cathedral family, as Year 3 and 4 help us to remember the events of Holy Week. This is such a moving way of thinking about Holy Week and we hope parents enjoy joining us. Please do try and take time as a family to come to Mass times in Holy week and Easter. The times are below:

Holy Week Mass Times in the Cathedral

Maundy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7.00pm

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross – 10.00am

Good Friday Liturgy – 3.00pm

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil – 8.00pm

Easter Day

Mass in the Cathedral – 10.30am



Thank you to all the staff who have worked tirelessly over the last term and to you, parents and carers for your ongoing support.

I hope you have a restful and blessed Easter and we will see you back on Wednesday 23rd April. God bless.
Mrs Holt

Note from the GIFT Team

Thank you for your help and support in fundraising. In the Autumn Term you helped us raise £479.30 for the Lancaster and District Homeless action. In Spring 1 you raised £390.78 for the parish by donation of a £1 or more for hot chocolate. This is amazing and will help so many people. From Eva and all the GIFT team.

Lent Fundraising for CAFOD – Easter Egg Raffle

Raffle tickets for our Easter Egg Raffle are still on sale at £1 per ticket. The raffle will be drawn on the last day of term. All money raised will go to our Lent collection for CAFOD. Thank you for your support.

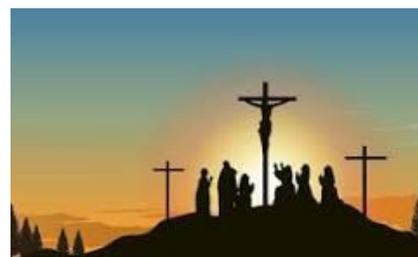


Palm Sunday Mass – Sunday 29th March at 10:30am in the Cathedral

All families are invited to join us to celebrate Palm Sunday at Mass in the Cathedral this Sunday. The children will wave palm leaves like the crowds on Palm Sunday. Children will sit together at the front of the Cathedral and children in Key Stage 1 will go to their own children's liturgy. The Mass will finish around 11:45am.

Holy Week Reflection – Wednesday 1st April at 9:30am in the Cathedral

We hope parents, carers, families and parishioners will be able to join us for our Holy Week Reflection at the end of term. This will be led by Years 3 and 4 and the whole school will support with the singing.



Eden Red vouchers

This Easter the final Eden Red vouchers will be given out by Lancashire County Council. The vouchers will expire after 3 months and will be issued this week)

Summer Uniform

After Easter, summer uniform may be worn. This is summer dresses, black shorts, short white socks and school tank tops.

School meal increase

Unfortunately, we have to put the price of school dinners up to £3.00. This is a recommendation from Lancashire County Council and for us to cover costs of an ever increasing world. We are very lucky to have such good quality meals at school thanks to Aneta.

P.E. kit days next half term

On their PE days, please can children in Years 1-6 come into school wearing PE kits. Children should wear a school PE hoodie or their school jumper with PE kit. PE kit days next half term are:

Year 1	Monday and Thursday
Year 2	Wednesday and Friday
Year 3	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 4	Tuesday and Friday
Year 5	Monday and Tuesday
Year 6	Tuesday and Thursday

Reflection on the Gospel

Please find reflections and activities on the Gospels over the coming weeks 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>

Whole School Mass to Celebrate Easter – Wednesday 22nd April at 9:15am

You are invited to join us as a school to celebrate Easter with Mass in the Cathedral at 9:15am on Wednesday 22nd April.

Breakfast

Eating breakfast gives children the energy and focus they need for learning. Research shows that kids who eat a morning meal have better concentration and improved memory compared to those who don't. Breakfast also helps stabilise mood and energy levels and supports healthy eating habits throughout the day. Please do try and encourage your child to start the day with breakfast.

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

Monday 30th March – Year 3 learn to ride a bike

Tuesday 31st March – Year 4 learn to ride a bike.

Easter egg hunt after school

Wednesday 1st April – Holy week reflection in the Cathedral at 9.30am

Finish for EASTER HOLIDAYS 1.30pm

Monday 20th April – Back to school at 8.35am

Wednesday 22nd April -9am whole school Mass.

Tuesday 28th April School Nurse drop in 9-10am
 Wednesday 29th April – Year 4 to Castlerigg for two nights.

Monday May 11th - Thursday 14th SAT WEEK KS2 IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR YEAR 6 CHILDREN TO BE IN ALL WEEK THIS WEEK

Friday 22nd May – Reception Stay and Play
 School closes for half term at 3.15pm



Kids Activities in the Easter Holidays at Judges' Lodgings Museum

You'll be leaping for joy this Spring when you see all the fun things you can do at the Judges' Lodgings museum over the Easter holidays.

Meet the Tudor cook and learn about the wonders of hot chocolate and the magical properties of a hot cross bun!
 - **Appearing on April 3, 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12. (FREE)**

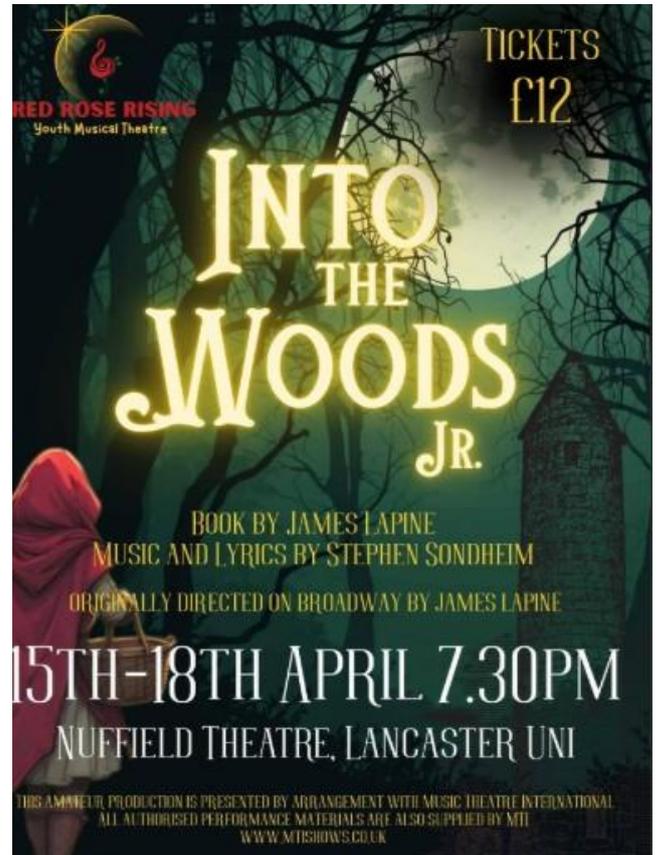
Get creative with paint pens and egg blanks as you decorate colourful keepsakes at our free craft sessions.
 - **April 3 and 10 between 11am and 3.30pm (FREE)**

Win a chocolate prize for finding all the eggs hiding in the museum on our Easter trail.
 - **Available Thurs to Sun throughout April (£1.00)**

Normal admission charges to visit the museum apply.
 Adults: £5
 Children: Free



<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums>
 01524 581241
judgeslodgings@lancashire.gov.uk



Morecambe Comic Con



Free Entry!

Easter Sunday & Monday
10am - 4pm
The Platform, Morecambe

"Meet & Greets" - Photo Op's - Costumers - Cosplay - Stalls





Riding the Rapids (Primary Age)

Is a free 10-session programme for parents and carers of:

- Children with additional needs in mainstream education, including those with autism or awaiting an autism assessment.
- Children with mild/moderate/significant learning difficulties.

Find Out About

- Why distress-related behaviours happen.
- Practical strategies to support your child at home.
- Sensory and communication approaches that meet your child's needs.
- How to support your child during moments of high stress.
- Ways to look after your own wellbeing.
- Connecting with others who understand.

Venue: Lune Park
Time: 9.30am - 12 noon
Dates: Wednesday 22nd April - 1st July 2026
(No session on 27th May due to May Half Term)

Venue: Lune Park
Time: 9.30am - 12 noon
Dates: Wednesday 16th September - 25th November 2026
(No session on 26th October due to October Half Term)



Weathering Waves

Call 01524 581280 for more information or scan the QR code to book on.

