

The Cathedral Catholic Primary School, Lancaster, LA1 3BT

Newsletter 30th January 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 put others first in their actions and words. Our stars of the week will be the children who have been spotted following the mission.

Stars of the Week

Rec- Ahaana
Year 1- Archie
Year 2- Child Absent
Year 3- Ishmeet
Year 4- Able
Year 5- Oliver
Year 6- Mia

Punctuality and Attendance Weekly

Reception-92%
Year 1- 92%
Year 2-93%
Year 3-96%
Year 4-96 %
Year 5-95%
Year 6-94%
Whole school so far 95%

Be in the line for quarter to nine!!

Scripture of the week: Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in Heaven. Matthew 5:12a

Attendance & Punctuality



Daily attendance and punctuality are important for your child's learning, and all staff take proactive steps to encourage these and report concerns.

When we have concerns about attendance, we may take the following steps:

- Review your child's historical attendance to look for patterns.
- Contact parents to share concerns by phone, letter or text.
- Offer support to improve attendance and punctuality.
- Only authorise absences with medical evidence.
- Conduct home visits when a child is absent.

If you are struggling with your child's attendance and punctuality, please contact school to discuss so we can work together to ensure your child is happy, attending and making progress in their learning.

Warm-Up Winter – Fundraising for the Cathedral

Thank you for your support of our 'Cosy Clothes day' this week. Our second fundraising activity to raise money to support the upkeep of our beautiful Cathedral will take place next Thursday:

Thursday 5th February – Hot Chocolate Day

For a £1 (or more) donation, children can get a hot chocolate with cream and marshmallows treat during the school day.

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/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>

Year 5 Borwick meeting- SAVE THE DATE

Please ensure you are able to come to the parents meeting on **February 11th at 3.30pm or 12th February at 5.30pm.** Staff give up their own time to take the children for a week so please make sure you spare us half an hour to find out all about the wonderful experiences they will have, even if you have had a younger child who has gone before. It means a lot for us to have parental support when we are taking your children away from home.

Year 6 Liverpool parent meeting – SAVE THE DATE

Please ensure you are able to come to the parents meeting on **Wednesday February 11th at 5.30pm**. Staff give up their own time to take the children away so please make sure you spare us half an hour to find out all about the wonderful experiences they will have even, if you have had a younger child gone before. It means a lot for us to have parental support when we are taking your children away from home.



National Year of
Reading 2026

National Year of Reading - Author Visit

This year, we will be celebrating the National Year of Reading. To launch this, we have author Sean Perkins visiting our school on the 4th February. Sean is the author of the "Oscar and Ben" series and has several other books. Whilst in school, he is going to be doing some writing workshops with each class as well as a special reading of his new book "Oscar and Ben - The Sleepover". Sean will be bringing and signing some copies of his

books that will be available to order. The order form will be sent via Arbor. Please return to school before the 4th February.

Facebook

The old PTA facebook page has now closed. Please follow the newly combined PTA and school facebook page for up to date information.

PTA Pre-loved uniform

If you have any uniform please bring this into school so we can sell it. Thank you.

A red poster for a "PRE LOVED UNIFORM SALE". At the top right is the Cathedral PTA logo, which features a stylized tree with various icons (a book, a heart, a recycling symbol, etc.) as leaves. Below the title, there is a list of items and prices: "SKIRT NEW £16.50", "JUMPER NEW £19.50", "CARDIGAN NEW £20.50", "HOODIES NEW £14.99", and "PRE LOVED £4" repeated four times. In the center, there is a photo of a girl and a boy in school uniforms standing on a cloud. To the left of the photo is a black starburst shape with the word "Skirts" in yellow, and to the right is another black starburst shape with the word "Hoodies" in yellow. At the bottom, a black banner with white text says "CASH AND CARD ACCEPTED". Below that, in yellow text on a black background, it says "THURSDAY 5TH FEBRUARY AFTER SCHOOL IN THE SCHOOL HALL."/>

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THURSDAY 5TH FEBRUARY
AFTER SCHOOL IN THE SCHOOL HALL.

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

Wednesday 4th February - Year 4 celebration of the word 3pm in the hall. Parents very welcome

Sean Perking author visit for the whole school

Thursday 5th February – Hot chocolate day

Pre loved uniform sale after school

Friday 6th February – Reception wellie walk to Williamson Park

Tuesday 10th February - Year 3 sculpture walk to Williamson Park

Safer Internet day

Wednesday 11th February - Year 3 celebration of the word 3pm in the hall. Parents very welcome

Wednesday 11th February 3.30pm Borwick Hall Parents meeting . ESSENTIAL FOR ALL PARENTS TO ATTEND ONE MEETING

5.30pm – Year 6 Liverpool meeting ESSENTIAL FOR PARENTS TO ATTEND

Thursday 12th Feb 5.30pm – Borwick hall parents meeting. ESSENTIAL FOR ALL PARENTS TO ATTEND ONE MEETING

Thursday 12th February – Year 6 Eypgtian dress up day

Friday 13th February – Reception stay and play at 2pm

Year 3 Stone Age day- all children to dress up in Stone Age costumes.

FINISH FOR HALF TERM 3:15pm ASC is available

Monday 23rd February – Back to school

Wednesday 25th February - Clubs start for 5 weeks

Wednesday March 11th and Thursday 12th March Parents evening



**Coffee & Connect
One Stop Shop**

**FIRBANK FAMILY CENTRE
FIRBANK ROAD, LANCASTER,
LA1 3HL.
ALL WELCOME!**

**FREE HOT DRINKS AND A
BISCUIT**

**A CHANCE FOR PEOPLE TO DROP IN AND
CONNECT WITH OTHERS IN A WARM
AND FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT.**

GET PRACTICAL ADVICE ON:

- HOUSING
- FINANCE
- EMPLOYMENT
- PARENTING/ TRIPLE P ADVICE
- EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELLBEING
- RELATIONSHIPS

**STARTS 11TH FEBRUARY
EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY
OF THE MONTH
9:30-11:30AM**

**TOYS AVAILABLE TO KEEP
YOUR LITTLE ONES
ENTERTAINED TOO.
EVERYONE WELCOME**

**LANCASHIRE
FAMILY
HUBS
NETWORK
LANCASTER**

**BEST
START
IN LIFE**

FACEBOOK- LANCASTER AND MORECAMBE FAMILY HUBS

EVENTS.APPS.LANCASHIRE.GOV.UK/W/WEBPAGE/ALL-EVENTS



**Sweet and Savoury
Free February Half Term Fun**

Judges Lodgings Museum
Friday 20 February 11am - 3.30pm

Get hands on this half term making Valentine keepsakes and creative treats. Have fun making and decorating salt dough ornaments and sugar craft treats! No booking required.

*Activities are free but charges apply if visiting the rest of the museum (Adults £5 / children free)

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

Art School... In A Trail!



This February, children and their families are invited to see artwork at the Judges' Lodgings Museum in a whole new light with *Art School... in a trail!*

Pick up a free activity sheet* when visiting the Judges' Lodgings and enjoy a gallery spotter trail with a creative twist – each stop unlocks a playful mission designed to help visitors look at and talk about artworks in fun, accessible ways. Complete the activity sheet and receive your *Art School* sticker!

* Free activity when visiting the museum (Charges apply to visit Adults £5/ Children Free)