



Christmas @ Central

Key Dates

1st –3rd December	Christmas Tree Festival at Christ Church Lancaster
4th December	Food Bank Collection starts
11th-15th December	Christmas Lunches
12th December 6pm	Christmas Concert
19th December	Rewards afternoon—Ice skating and Dukes Theatre
20th December	Carol Service at Christ Church Lancaster
22nd December 1.15pm Early finish	Achievement Assemblies Christmas Jumper/Non-Uniform Day



Food Bank Collection

During December we will be collecting donations for Morecambe Bay Foodbank. Families are asked to donate everyday food items as well as Christmas treats that the Foodbank can distribute over the holiday period. Our Community Club have also been in discussion with the Foodbank about other ways we can support their users. Joanna Young, Chair of Trustees at the Foodbank will be visiting school on Monday 4th December to talk to pupils about the types of food needed. If you would like to know which items are needed at the Foodbank you can find out by clicking the link.

<https://morecambebay.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Christmas Tree Festival

We kick start our festivities this year by taking part in a Christmas Tree Festival at Christ Church Lancaster. Pupils in school have been busy making decorations for our tree and representatives will visit Christ Church to help decorate it. Families and pupils are invited to visit the festival from the 1st-3rd December. Half of the donations raised at the Festival will support the Lancaster and District Homeless Action Service (LDHAS). They serve the daily needs of homeless people in the area, providing facilities they can't access when out on the street, they also provide help and advice to get onto the housing ladder, food, clothing and comfort too!





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Christmas Lunch

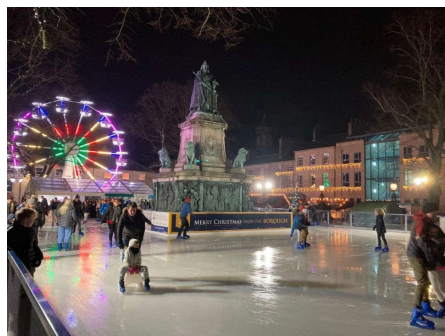
Each year group will have the chance to eat a traditional Christmas Lunch together during the week beginning the 11th December, complete with Christmas Crackers and music! Pupils will be asked to pre-order their lunch and will be joined by their house tutors. Vegetarian options will be available and there will be a limited menu for those not wishing to take part. The cost of lunch is £2.50 (the price of our normal 'meal-deal') and will be available to those pupils in receipt of free school meals.



Music at Christmas

Our annual Christmas Concert will take place in the school hall on 12th December at 6pm. Pupils from across the school will be performing Christmas songs and music that they have been rehearsing in peripatetic lessons and extra-curricular clubs this term. Tickets will be available for families and friends at the cost of £3, to come and get in the festive spirit.

In addition to this we are bringing back an old Central tradition and holding a carol service at Christ Church Lancaster at 2pm on the 20th December. All year 7 pupils will be attending and families of year 7 are invited to join us to hear some of the performances from the concert, alongside traditional carols and readings.



Rewards Afternoon

On the 19th December 10 pupils from each year group who have shown their commitment to our school community through excellent attendance and behaviour will be treated to one of two reward trips—a visit to Lancaster on Ice, with a hot chocolate to warm up or a visit to the theatre to see 'A Christmas Carol'.

Year 7 pupils have also been invited to buy a ticket for the theatre that afternoon.

Last day of school

On the 22nd December we will hold a Christmas Jumper Day to raise money for 'Save the Children'. Pupils are invited to come in non-uniform and a Christmas jumper for a minimum donation of £1.

Each year group will have an achievement and rewards assembly so we can celebrate together all the amazing achievements of the last term, and have the chance to take part in some festive activities with their form group.



School will finish at 1.15pm and we ask that any appointments for piercings, lashes and nails in preparation for Christmas are made for after that time. School opens again for pupils on

Tuesday 9th January 2024.