Our Lady of the Assumption



School News Update



Dear Parents, Grandparents and Carers,

Welcome back and I hope you all had a lovely half term break.

We celebrated the Feast of All Saints (1st November) in Church yesterday with a lovely celebratory whole school mass, with Father Frank reminding us all that we can all be Saints in our everyday lives through the choices we make. The Gospel made reference to the Poor in Spirit and Pure in Heart and again, Father told us how we could be like this through our everyday acts.

We came back to electric gates, something many schools are looking into for added security. We have had some teething problems so please bear with us as we get used to these. We are now planning for an added heightened perimeter fence, which I certainly think would be an important safety fixture.

We had our first boy's football match this week against Roseacre. Although we lost 3:1 Mrs Holden reported that the boys did really well and worked really hard, with Conleth getting best player. Well done boys, a great start to the season and a huge thanks to Mrs Holden and Mr McArdle, Conleth's dad, for refereeing and giving up their time to support our after school activities. It is wonderful to have after school clubs running, so thank you to all our staff who give up their time to offer more experiences for our children.

Finally, thank you in advance for supporting our PTFA with your donations of bottles and chocolate today for our dress as a firework day. Our PTFA, with your help, are really successful and hard-working at our school, something not all schools benefit from. This is such a benefit to our school so thank you everyone.

Mrs Allen

Please find below the links to the individual Class Blogs from last week

Reception Class https://www.ourladyassumption-sch.co.uk/news/tag/reception

Year 1 https://www.ourladyassumption-sch.co.uk/news/tag/year-1

Year 2 https://www.ourladyassumption-sch.co.uk/news/tag/year-2

Year 3 https://www.ourladyassumption-sch.co.uk/news/tag/year-3

Year 4 https://www.ourladyassumption-sch.co.uk/news/tag/year-4

Year 5 https://www.ourladyassumption-sch.co.uk/news/tag/year-5

Year 6 https://www.ourladyassumption-sch.co.uk/news/tag/year-6

Please also find below this week's link to The Wednesdays Word

https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/goodnews?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4

Emailing Queries and Information to teachers

If you wish to email teachers with any questions or concerns, please can these emails be forwarded to the main admin box at admin@our-lady.blackpool.sch.uk. In the subject box please indicate which class year or teacher the email is intended for and they will be forwarded on to the correct recipient in a timely manner.

Attendance

As you know as a school we continue to focus on excellent attendance as this is essential for children to make the best progress. As a whole school we have set a target for the year of 97.4%

Class	Week beginning 20/10/25	Year to date from the start of September
RECEPTION	94.1%	96.12%
YEAR 1	95.9%	96.68%
YEAR 2	92.7%	94.64%
YEAR 3	92.9%	96.50%
YEAR 4	96.2%	96.36%
YEAR 5	86.9%	94.79%
YEAR 6	96.1%	94.08%

97% + AT OR ABOVE SCHOOL TARGET

BELOW 95%
CAUSING CONCERN & LESS CHANCE OF PROGRESS

90% & BELOW
PERSISTENT ABSENCE - SERIOUS ATTENDANCE CONCERN

Dates for Your Diary November/December 2025

Friday 14 th November	PTFA Family Bingo Night 5 till 7pm School Hall
Thursday 20 th November	Caterlink Coffee Morning 9am Dinning Hall – All parents / careers welcome
Monday 24 th November	Teacher / Parent meetings from 1 till 5.30pm for all classes except Year2
Friday 28 th November	PTFA KS1 Christmas Movie night form 5 till 6.30pm in School Hall
Friday 5 th December	PTFA KS2 Christmas Movie night form 5 till 6.30pm in School Hall
Wednesday 10 th December	Reception Class Nativity Performance for Parents at 2pm
Thursday 11 th December	Caterlink Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 12 th December	PTFA Christmas Fair from 3.15pm
Monday 15 th December	Christmas Pantomime KS1 AM Performance KS2 PM Performance
Wednesday 17 th December	Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity Performance for Parents 9.30am & 2pm
Thursday 18 th December	KS2 Carol Service 2pm in Church
Friday 18 th December	School Closes for Christmas at an earlier time of 2pm (no After School Club). School reopens on Tuesday 6 th January 2026

Dates for Liturgy for Parents in the School Hall

Thursday 13th November

Year 5 & 6 Liturgy - Parents invited into the Hall 9am

Friday 14th November

Reception Liturgy - Parents invited into the Hall 9am

Open Afternoon's for September 2026 Intake

Wednesday 19th November

Presentation and School Tour 2pm School Hall



Our friendly teams are on hand to offer support and advice to those struggling, including help with:

- Advice on checking benefit/grant entitlement
- Simple tips to reduce energy usage at home
- Adding those eligible to the Priority Service Register for utilities
- Providing FREE Carbon Monoxide alarms to eligible households

Our teams can also signpost residents to a wide range of partner services, community groups and sessions - so whatever you may be struggling with, please do get in touch!

Call 0808 196 3080

or email: communities@blackpool.gov.uk