

Our Lady of the Assumption

Friday 28th November 2025



School News Update



Dear Parents, Grandparents and Carers,

This week we began with an assembly in the hall celebrating the Feast of Christ the King, which marks the end of the Church's liturgical year, with the beginning starting again on Sunday 30th December with the first Sunday of Advent. The children were taught how the church's year is slightly different to the calendar year as it celebrates and commemorates the key events in the life of Jesus and begins and ends at the end of November.

Last week we had the second and final open afternoon for prospective parents of reception children for September 2026. Our children delivered a short scene from Hamlet to demonstrate our Shakespeare work and also sang a song from the Musical Six, again demonstrating their amazing choral skills. I was so proud of the children who also showed prospective parents around afterward. I received lovely feedback. They are a real credit to the school and yourselves.

Last week we received a wonderful donation of books from Business in the Community, a charity who are currently working in our town. These books are a fantastic addition to the books in our library as well as to our classroom books. We are still hoping to find some funding for books for fluency to support our AR books that children take home but this is proving more difficult than I had hoped. We will keep looking for funding for this.

On Monday we had our first of the year Parents' meetings and I hope you all managed to either attend or make an alternative appointment. It is so important at this time of year to check in with your child's teacher to ensure that all is progressing well.

Finally, next week marks the start of all our nativity/carol service practices! Always one of the best things about working in a primary school. I look forward to seeing you at these events (dates in the newsletter).

Best wishes,

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/good-news?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.

Please also check the vacancies page on our website as we will soon be adding a position for a Welfare position and a Special Support Assistant.



Well done Y6 Mini Vinnies

Well done to the Year 6 Mini Vinnies who had their first fundraising event for CAFOD las week. They were selling baked goods and homemade bits and bobs all in aid of CAFOD. They gave up their own time to do this and for such a worthy cause. All together they raised an amazing **£163.16!** Thank you to all our Mini Vinnies for their dedication to the event - what a success!

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 17/11/25	Year to date from the start of September
RECEPTION	94.1%	96.48%
YEAR 1	96.2%	96.39%
YEAR 2	99.7%	96.64%
YEAR 3	98.7%	95.13%
YEAR 4	99.3%	96.89%
YEAR 5	96.2%	95.36%
YEAR 6	95.7%	94.17%

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 28th November	PTFA KS1 Christmas Movie night from 5 till 6.30pm in School Hall
Friday 5th December	PTFA KS2 Christmas Movie night from 5 till 6.30pm in School Hall
Wednesday 10th December	Reception Class Nativity Performance for Parents at 2pm
Thursday 11th December	Caterlink Christmas Dinner Day and Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 11th December	Choir sinning at Abingdon Street Market 5pm
Friday 12th December	PTFA Christmas Fair from 3.15pm
Monday 15th December	Christmas Pantomime KS1 AM Performance KS2 PM Performance
Wednesday 17th December	Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity Performance for Parents 9.30am & 2pm
Thursday 18th December	KS2 Carol Service 2pm in Church
Friday 19th December	School Closes for Christmas at an earlier time of 2pm (no After School Club). School reopens on Tuesday 6 th January 2026

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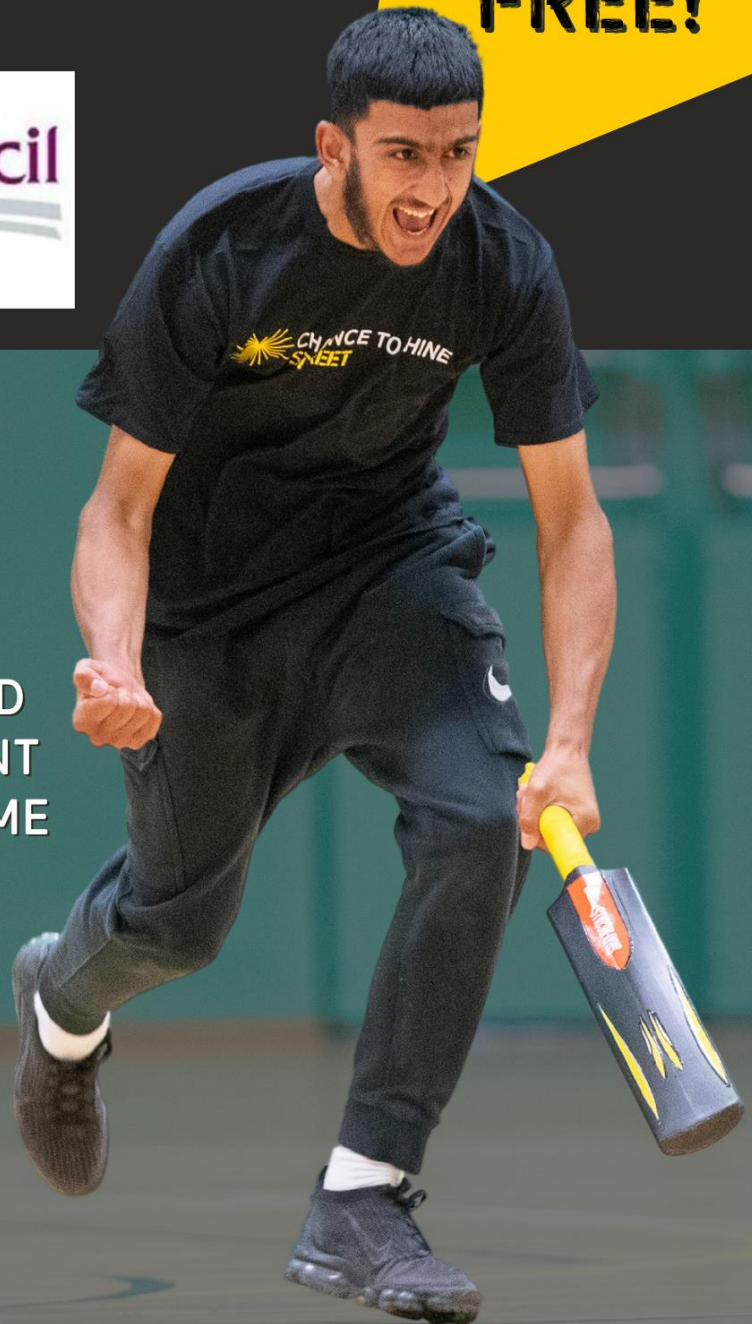
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