



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 9th January 2026

Dates to Remember

- 19th – 30th January – Year 4 Swimming every day for 2 weeks.
- 13th February – Year 3 Worship Assembly and coffee morning for parents
- 13th February – School closes for the half term holiday at 3.15pm (one week)
- 24th February – Children return to school

Bee Promises



This week we received 14 nominations of children displaying behaviours linked to our Bee Promises of Bee Responsible, Bee Respectful and Bee Kind.

Well done to all children nominated and congratulations to the winners of each Bee Promise Award!

Bee Responsible – Charlie H (Year 1)

Bee Respectful – Faith (Year 5)

Bee Kind – Fortress (Year 4)

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY

APPLY NOW!

at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2026

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2025 and 31 August 2026.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

School transport

If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.

Parking

Please could we kindly ask for all parents/carers to park considerately when dropping children off. We are unfortunately seeing cars stopping in the middle of the road and cars being parked across pavements or dangerously across spaces. Whilst we appreciate Poulton Street is a difficult place to access, the safety of our community must come first!

Year 6 Residential

The Year 6 Residential to Winmarleigh Hall on Tuesday 24th March is available to pay either by cash at the school office or on ParentPay.

Payments can be made at any time and of any amount, we just ask for the visit to have been paid in full by the time your child leaves Sacred Heart in July 2026.



This is just a polite reminder that we are a **nut free** school.

Please do not send your child to school with any snack/packed lunch items that contain nuts.

Absence Reporting

Please may we remind all parents/carers if your child is absent from school you must call the school office where there is a voicemail option. Please call before 09:15am to tell us the reason for absence and how long your child will be off school.

Medical appointments should be reported to the office with as much notice as possible where we will also require visual evidence of the appointment.

If there is a change in your child's collection from school, please call this through to the office as soon as possible. The end of the school day can be very busy so as much notice to any changes is appreciated.

Teachers are very busy and are not always able to pick up messages on dojo. If you require a response please call the office where we may be able to answer your query or pass a message on to the class teacher.

The school office is open between 08:30am – 4pm

Funded Swimming Lessons for Preston Children receiving Free School Meals

You may be aware of a series of measures that Preston City Council have recently approved to help Preston residents with the ongoing cost of living.

We are delighted that funding is being provided for Free Swimming, with a number of schemes available. Full information on the wider Funded Swimming offer will be shared soon.

Funded Swimming Lessons for FSM Children

- 6 months of free-swimming lessons at Fulwood or West View Leisure Centre on our Better Swim School
- Must register by 31st March 2026

What do we need your help with?

In short, identifying which Preston children and families will most benefit from this offer

- Eligible for the scheme by being both a Preston resident and in receipt of Free School Meals
- Will engage with the program and likely to have good attendance (serial non- attenders will lose their place, to be given to another child)

If this is something you are eligible for and would like to express an interest for your child, please call the school office on 01772 726937.

Contact Details

In order for us to keep our records accurate and up-to-date, if there have been any recent changes to your contact details such as home address, telephone number or email address, please can we kindly ask you to contact the school office to advise of any changes.

Attendance and Punctuality

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	98%	93%	96%	96%	96%	99%	97%
Punctuality	1 Late	1 Late	1 Late	2 Late	1 Late	0 Late	0 Late

Family Feast Fridays

Each Friday we will be sharing a recipe idea for the week ahead to help us all with new ideas for meals each week! We would love to hear if you have tried them out- please send us pictures!! And if you have any recipes you would like to share with us, please send them to bursar@sacredheart.lancs.sch.uk. This week we wanted to share:

Recipe: One-tray Thai green fish curry recipe – Tesco Real Food



Ingredients

400g frozen broccoli, defrosted
400g tin chickpeas, rinsed and drained
4 tbsp Thai green curry paste
½ veg stock cube, made up to 150ml
4 frozen fish fillets, defrosted
1 tsp veg oil
300g long-grain rice
1 lime, cut into wedges

Method

1. Heat the oven to gas 7, 220°C, fan 200°C. Put the broccoli and chickpeas into a large roasting tin, about 25 x 20cm.
2. Stir the curry paste into the stock. Pour into the tray, mixing well so the veg is fully coated. Add the fish to the tray, nestling it a little into the sauce. Season and drizzle the fish with the oil. Roast for 12-15 mins until the fish is cooked through and flaky, and the sauce has thickened slightly to coat the broccoli and chickpeas.
3. Meanwhile, cook the rice to pack instructions and drain. Squeeze a few of the lime wedges over the traybake and serve alongside the rice with extra lime wedges to squeeze over.