

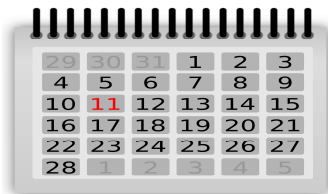


Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 9th October 2026

Dates to Remember



Tuesday 13th October Local PCSO visiting school to talk about Bonfire Night safety

Tuesday 20th October – Autumn Disco

Friday 23rd October – Year 5 Class Assembly

Friday 23rd October – Half term – School closes 3.15pm

Tuesday 3rd November – Children return to school

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SECONDARY

APPLY NOW!
at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2027

You must apply if your child is in their last year of primary school (year 6) from September 2026.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school.

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.

CLOSING DATE
31 October 2026

lancashire.gov.uk >>>>

Lancashire
County Council

Sacred Heart's

AUTUMN DISCO

£3 a ticket

Children will get a drink and a snack!

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 may come to school in party clothes.

KS2
Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

Tuesday October 20th

EYFS & KS1
3:30pm - 4:30pm

KS2
4:45pm - 5:45pm

Any funds raised will go towards enrichment opportunities for the children.

Can You Solve It?

A teacher has a bag of **24 sweets** to share equally between some children.

- Each child must receive at least one sweet.
- Every child must receive the same number of sweets.
- There must be **more than 2 children but fewer than 10 children**.
- There must be **no sweets left over**.

Can you find three different ways the teacher could share the sweets?

Bonus challenge ★ Can you find the way that gives each child the most sweets?

Good luck, mathematicians! Why not solve it with your family at home?

The answers will be revealed in next week's newsletter.

This Week's Awards



History Certificate

Year 1 – Bobbie-Sue

Year 2 – Charlie

Year 3 – Delilah

Year 4 – Meila

Year 5 – Bradley

Year 6 - Jessy

Handwriting Certificate

Year 1 – Zaneta

Year 2 – Leah

Year 3 – Adam

Year 4 – Johan

Year 5 – Jeneesa

Year 6 - Samantha

**SCHOOL
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PRIMARY**

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School and Academy places September 2027

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2026 and 31 August 2027.

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.

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15 January 2027

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Attendance and Punctuality

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	97.1%	96.67%	96.44%	99.26%	97.41%	94.79%	93.7%
Punctuality	1 Late	1 Late	0 Late	3 Late	0 Late	4 Late	1 Late



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.

School Trips



We are pleased to confirm that we have managed to secure a visit to the cinema again this year for years 1-6 completely free! We are appealing for any parent/carers who may be available and happy to help us with this trip including walking with our children to and from the cinema.

The dates are 11th, 19th and 24th November, and we would need your help from 11.30am until approximately 2.30pm. Please do call the school office if this might be something you can help us with!

Governor vacancies

Sacred Heart has Foundation Governor vacancies on our Board. Foundation Governors are appointed by the Diocese and need to be practising Catholics. Foundation governors play an important part in maintaining and developing the Catholic character of our school.

The governing board plans the strategic direction of a school, makes sure public money is well spent, and holds school leadership to account. Whatever your professional background, your skills could transform a school. Governors work together as a team to ensure a good standard of education is being achieved. Being a Governor is an opportunity to develop the skills you have and to improve the futures of children today. You do not need to be a parent or work in the education sector.

If you would be interested in joining our Governing board as a Foundation Governor please contact the school office and we will be happy to give you more information.

Subject: Important Information Regarding Secondary School Applications and Transport Eligibility

Dear Parents and Kinship Carers of Current Year 6 Pupils,

We are writing to provide important guidance regarding your child's upcoming secondary school application, with particular emphasis on home-to-school transport considerations.

Before submitting your application, it is essential to carefully consider how your child will travel to and from your preferred secondary schools. Free travel assistance is only available to pupils who meet the criteria outlined in Lancashire County Council's **Home to School Transport Policy**.

When selecting your school preferences, please ensure you have read and understood the information available on the Lancashire County Council website regarding **school admissions and travel assistance**.

Please note:

- For transport purposes, the *nearest suitable school* is defined as the school closest to the family home. In some cases, this may be a school located within another local authority area.
- If you choose a school that is not considered the nearest suitable school, there is **no entitlement** to free transport. In such cases, you will need to make your own travel arrangements.
- Most children will attend their local school, which is typically within a reasonable walking distance when accompanied by a parent or carer.
- If transport costs are a concern, we strongly encourage you to contact your **Area Education Office** before submitting your application.

NORTH AREA	SOUTH AREA	EAST AREA
Lancaster, Morecambe, Wyre and Fylde	Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley	Hyndburn, Ribble Valley, Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale
(01524) 581148	(01772) 532109	(01254) 220747

If your child is not eligible for free travel assistance but you would like your child to travel to school by bus, you may be able to buy a season travel pass from us. The County Council will not provide extra services for non-statutory pupils and you will need to [plan how your child will get to school](#) if space on the bus is not available.

Please call 0300-123-6738 or visit [School bus season tickets - Lancashire County Council](#) to make an application.

It is important to plan ahead. Please make sure that appropriate transport is available, should a place be allocated at your preferred school.