

# Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School



## Newsletter

Friday 21st November 2025

### Dates for your Diary



Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

Photograph Day

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Fair

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Nativity – Letters have gone out

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Year 4 Class Assembly – All parents/carers welcome

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Jumper Day/ Christmas Dinner Day

Ukulele Concert – Information to follow

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Party Day

### Nativity

This year's Nativity productions will be held on Thursday 11th December. There will be two performances, the children will perform the Nativity at 9:15am and 2:30pm.

Letters have gone out this week to allocate each family with 2 tickets. Unfortunately, we are unable to allocate anymore to each family due to hall restraints.

Please can we ask for all letters to come back as soon as possible.

### Bee Promises



This week we received 70 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 – Crisstian (Year 6)

Bee Respectful – Athena (Year 5)

Bee Kind – Aria (Year 4)

**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY**

# APPLY NOW!

at [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://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](http://lancashire.gov.uk) or scan the QR code.

*Important*

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.

## 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](mailto:bursar@sacredheart.lancs.sch.uk). This week we wanted to share:

### Recipe: Chilli Con Carne

#### Ingredients

0.5 bag of frozen sliced mixed peppers, (250g)  
1 pack of frozen steam & serve white rice, or Nachos  
1 bag of frozen minced beef, (750g)  
1 can of chopped tomatoes  
1 pack of rice, or Nachos  
1 bag of beef mince, (750g)  
250 g of loose peppers, (250g)  
1 dash of pepper  
2 garlic cloves, finely grated  
1 dash of salt  
1 heaped tbsp of soured cream, and/or grated mature Cheddar cheese to serve  
1 beef stock cube  
2 tbsp of tomato puree  
1 can of red kidney beans in chilli sauce  
1 tbsp of vegetable oil  
0.5 bag of frozen diced white onion, (250g)  
1 tbsp of hot chilli powder/mild chilli powder, (optional)

#### Method

Step 1- Heat the oil in a large pan and add the frozen diced onions and garlic. Fry over a medium heat for 3 mins, stirring until softened and starting to colour.

Step 2- Stir in the peppers. Add the chilli powder at this point if you prefer more kick! Fry for 2 minutes stirring frequently before adding in the mince. Cook the mince for a further 5 minutes until browned stirring frequently and season.

Step 3- Crumble the beef stock cube into 300ml hot water. Pour this into the pan.

Step 4- Add the chopped tomatoes, tomato puree, kidney beans and stir well.

Step 5- Simmer it gently for 30 minutes. Stirring occasionally to ensure it doesn't catch on the bottom of the pan. If it does, just add a couple of tablespoons of water.

Step 6- Turn off the heat and leave the chilli to stand with a lid on for 10 minutes. This allows the flavours to mingle.

Step 7- Serve with either some frozen steam & serve white rice or nachos, topped with soured cream, guacamole and/or grated mature Cheddar cheese. It's also great served as a jacket potato filling!

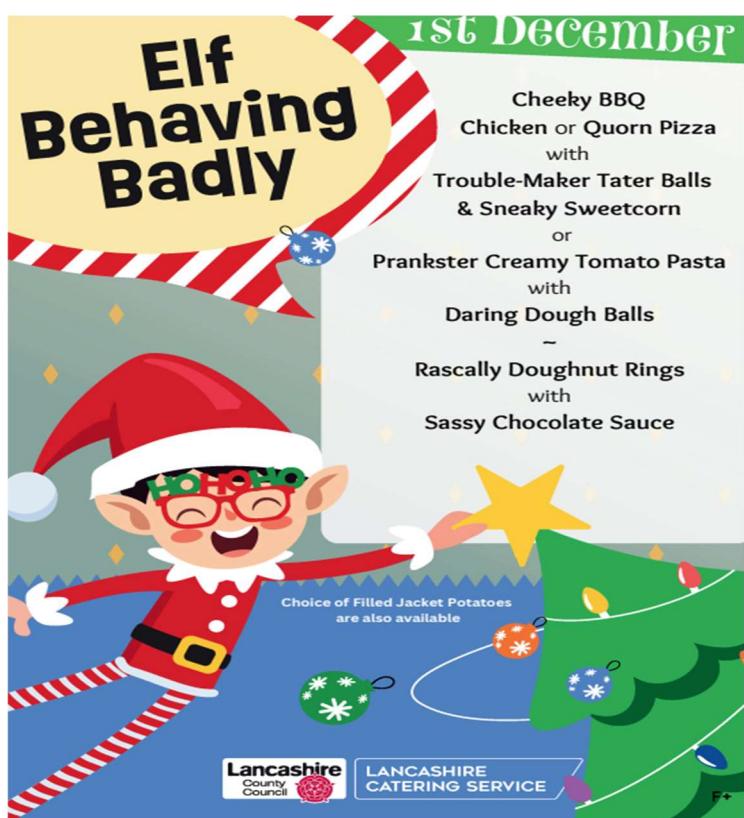
#### Attendance and Punctuality

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	92%	94%	97%	99%	97%	92%	96%
Punctuality	1 Late	0 Late	2 Late	2 Late	3 Late	2 Late	1 Late

## 'Elf behaving Badly' Lunch

If your child normally has a packed lunch but would like to have our special 'Elf Behaving Badly' Lunch on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> of December, please complete the form which should have come home in your child's bag and return to school.

If your child is entitled to free school meals or is in the Infants, no payment is required. For all other payments please do this via ParentPay. The cost of the lunch is £2.70 per child.



### Cupboard Love - Community Foodbank

#### Dates for November/December 2025

09:30-10:30 St Michael's Church Ashton  
Egerton Road Main Door



Saturday  
22<sup>nd</sup> Nov

Saturday  
6<sup>th</sup> Dec

Christmas  
Saturday  
20<sup>th</sup> Dec

Take what you need (and will use),  
please pay what you can, minimum donation £1.00

## 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

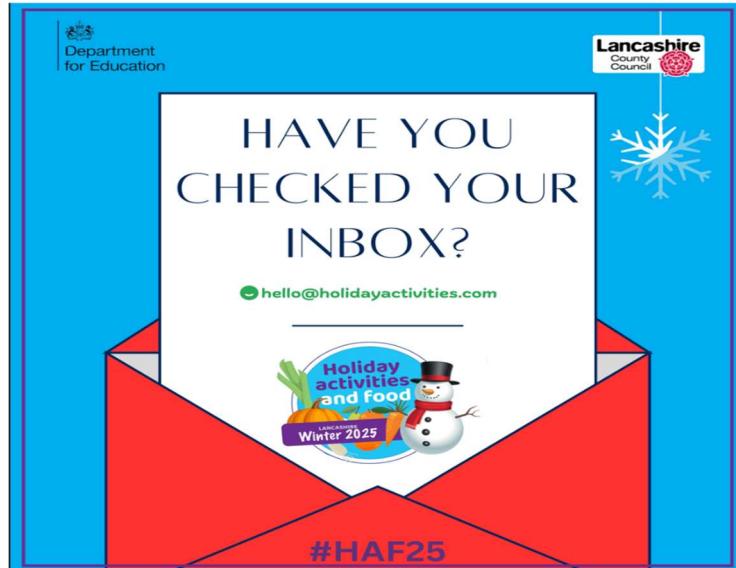
- 6 months of free-swimming lessons at Fulwood or West View Leisure Centre on our Better Swim School
- Must register by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

### 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.



HAF Vouchers will be sent to eligible parents/guardians on 24.11.2025  
Eligible families will get an email from  
[hello@holidayactivities.com](mailto:hello@holidayactivities.com)

If you have not received your voucher code please let us know."

## Christmas Fair – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December

### Christmas Fair



On Friday the 5th of December there will be a Christmas Fair in the school hall for the children in the afternoon.

£1 will allow children to play all the fun games available, which we kindly ask to be paid on ParentPay.

The Christmas Fair will then open to all parents/carers and families for a further 45 minutes after school where each game will then be payable individually by cash.

### 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.

### Children in Need



Thank you to everyone who attended the 'nearly new sale'. We are delighted to let you know we raised £78.15 for Children in Need.



**Charity Fun Run**  
at Chorley Fire Station

**Sunday 14 December**

**Race Schedule**

**10:00am: 1 km children's race**  
(up to 14 years)

**11:00am: 5 km adult race**

**Prizes for first place and best dressed!**

**Book your tickets:**  
[www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk/christmas-gallop](http://www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk/christmas-gallop)

### Text communication



Following a recent update completed by the company we use for text communication to our parents/carers, Teachers2Parents, we have been advised some parents/carers do not seem to be receiving text messages since the update.

If any parents/carers feel they are not receiving texts please contact the school office. We have been informed that by downloading the Teachers2Parents app this may resolve the issue.

If anyone is unsure and would like us to run a test, please also contact the school office where we will be happy to help.