



Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School

"Let faith be your shield"

Newsletter Friday 17th July 2020

MISSION STATEMENT

We seek to follow the example and teaching of Jesus by:

- ensuring every member of the school is valued and cared for as a member of God's family;
- providing the best education possible so that all pupils are enabled to reach their full potential in every aspect of life.

Message from Mrs Aylott

Well, what a roller-coaster of a year! The service last night for our Y6 leavers was via zoom, which was a first for us, but whilst unusual it was also a lovely way in which to celebrate their many achievements. I thanked parents, pupils and my excellent staff during it– and want to take the opportunity to extend the same thanks to all of you. We have never known a year like it, but the way in which you have all risen to the challenge of supporting us and supporting your children has been brilliant. The children too have been fabulous and I have been so impressed with their good humour, resilience and ability to keep a sense of fun. We don't really know just what September holds for us, but I very much hope that you are all able to enjoy some family time together– at least without the pressures of home schooling, and hopefully with some sunshine!

Thank you very much.

All the staff would like to pass on their thanks for the many kind gifts and cards you have sent in at the end of year.

Y6 Pizzas

Y6 and staff would like to give a **huge** thank you to the owner of Scrumptious Pizza (192 Scotforth Road) for opening up especially so that our Y6 could have a pizza treat on their last day. He was extremely generous and his pizzas are highly recommended!

Another Thank You!

A **massive** thank you to Y6 and their parents for a most unexpected but most welcome and delightful gift to school.

Reminder of Class Teachers Next Term

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| Nursery | Mrs R Atkinson |
| Reception | Mrs P Browne |
| Year 1 | Mrs A Boyle |
| Year 2 | Mrs L Cross |
| Year 3 | Mr D Manning |
| Year 4 | Mrs S Belshire/Mrs T Mayor |
| Year 5 | Mrs S Dowson/Mrs J Redmayne |
| Year 6 | Miss S Huddleston |

Bubble Letters

You will be receiving an envelope containing your child's report and a letter detailing arrangements for the class bubble your child/ren will be in for September. If your child is in school today they will bring it home– if not it is in the post. If for any reason the letter is not in the envelope, the details can be found on the school website.



Scotforth Award Winners



Summer 2020

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| Headteacher's Award for Perseverance/Embodying School's Ethos | Mimi Horay |
| Pearson Cup for Contribution to School Life | Isabelle Dagleish |
| Scotforth St Paul's Values Award | Jessica Hill Daniel Pattinson |
| Scotforth Shield for Progress | Natty Dawson |
| Girls Sport Award | Ellen Carson-Brown Annie McLoughlin |
| Boys Sport Award | Theo Helme |
| Chair of Governors Award for Outstanding Attainment | Oliver Robson |
| Anne Randell's Award for Excellence in Writing | Jacob Quayle |

Farewell Y6

Congratulations not only to the award winners, but to all of Year 6– you have been great! We say goodbye to our Year 6 children who are moving on to pastures new. We wish them all well for the future and shall miss them a lot. Y6, we are very proud of you all and you should be very proud of yourselves! We wish you all every blessing as you leave us, and look forward to hearing of your many successes in the future.

Compulsory School Attendance in September

The government has made it clear that it expects all children to attend school as normal in September, and we are looking forward to seeing everyone again. We do understand that it will be a significant change for some children who may not have been in school for six months. Please be assured, that whilst we will expect all children to be in, we will work with them and you to help allay any anxieties.

Holiday Club@ Scotforth

Some availability still– Contact Marie on:
07796569719/email scotforthplayschemes.co.uk

Music Lessons

If your child would like to start playing an instrument next term with Lancashire Music Service, you can apply online at www.lmsenrol.co.uk.

Guitar, woodwind, cello, double bass, viola, recorder, keyboard and piano are all currently available

Earrings

Please note that if you anticipate your child having their ears pierced, please do so as soon as possible in order to give them a chance to heal before school starts in September, otherwise they will be asked to remove them in school as jewellery is not permitted. Unfortunately, so long as a child is wearing earrings they will not be permitted to take part in P.E. or swimming due to safety reasons.

School Dinners

The cost of a school meal is **£2.30** making weekly costs £11.50. Dinner money for next term will be £82.80 half term and £163.30 until Christmas.

Year 2— please be aware that as the children move into Year 3 they will no longer be eligible for a free school meal.

All school meals must be paid for in advance either on the day, weekly or termly. Payments can be made by cash or cheque payable to Scotforth School Fund or via Scopay. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Inset day:

Tuesday 1st September

Re-open:

Wednesday 2nd September 8.45am



Have a lovely summer!

Uniform

Please see the attached information regarding our uniform policy taken from the School Prospectus. School accepts that towards the end of term shoes, trousers, skirts etc. are getting a 'bit small' and you do not want to splash out on new uniform. However, in September it is a new school year, so school does expect every child to attend wearing the correct uniform. We appreciate that for some families this is a big outlay and therefore shirts and sweaters do not have to have the school logo on, but must be the correct colours. Many of the supermarkets are doing fantastic deals on school uniform. Skirts and dresses should be of knee length. 'Tube' style skirts are not permitted, neither are trainers (even mainly black ones) or long boots. Short ankle boots, i.e. those that fit under trousers are permitted, but mid calf length are not acceptable, neither are ones that are embellished with studs etc. We have a stock of pre-loved uniform available in school which is available for a small donation or free if necessary. Please do not hesitate to ask.

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| Lancaster | Children & Family Wellbeing Service | Monday 3.30 - 4.30 | AOK Juniors A parent peer support group providing a safe and welcoming environment for children with any additional needs and their parents/carers to enjoy a variety of activities and meet new friends. Siblings welcomed too. | 5-11 years | Children with additional needs | Free | Please contact claire.rogerson@lancashire.gov.uk |
| Lancaster | Children & Family Wellbeing Service | Wednesday 1.00 – 1.30 | AOK A parent peer support group providing a safe and welcoming environment for children with any additional needs and their parents/carers to enjoy a variety of activities and meet new friends. Siblings welcomed too. | 4-5 years | Children with additional needs | Free | Please contact claire.rogerson@lancashire.gov.uk |
| Lancaster | Children & Family Wellbeing Service | Wednesday 6.30 – 7.30 | AOK A parent peer support group providing a safe and welcoming environment for children with any additional needs and their parents/carers to enjoy a variety of activities and meet new friends. Siblings welcomed too. | 12+ years | Children with additional needs | Free | Please contact claire.rogerson@lancashire.gov.uk |
| Lancaster | Ludus Dance | Wednesday 2.00-2.45 | Inclusion in Motion A creative, sensory dance programme for children with additional needs. | 6-12 years | Children with additional needs | Pay what you feel | https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/inclusion-in-motion-tickets-102892807156 |

Lancaster City Council - advice and support

As the Summer Holidays approach we felt it was an appropriate time to remind you of the sort of supports we can offer over the holiday period and beyond.

We are aware that some families will be receiving food vouchers under free school meals <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>. We also want families to be aware of the support on offer from the Council and that we can refer families (or individuals) to a network of volunteers to help with things such as collecting shopping, medicines and telephone befriending services. We are also on hand to help advise on things such as benefits, waste collection and other council services.

Details of how to get this help are below.

Lancaster City Council has set up a 7-day telephone and email help line to make sure people can get reliable support:

- by phone **01524 582000**
- by email customerservices@lancaster.gov.uk (for residents)
or email econdev@lancaster.gov.uk (for businesses)

The phone lines are open Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm and every Saturday and Sunday between 10am and 3pm. The hours are being kept under review and we may amend them in the future.

The council has also been working in partnership with Morecambe Bay Foodbank to co-ordinate and deliver emergency food parcels to vulnerable people across the district and they are available to anyone who is struggling during these unprecedented times and because the circumstances people may now find themselves in are unprecedented, I would urge you, to communicate widely, that there is no shame or loss of dignity in accessing the support, we are seeing many families coming forward who under normal circumstances manage very well and are trying to reach out to as many households as possible.

A new website, www.lancasterdistrictcovid19.org.uk, has been created for agencies to refer someone for emergency food. If anyone needs help, they can find the contact details of people and organisations who can refer them or they can phone the council's community hub on 01524 582000.

In addition to the regular Community Offers Bulletin that we are sending out, Lancaster City Council have a dedicated website (link below) where people can find out how to get emergency food, business grants, business rate relief and advice and guidance. <http://www.lancaster.gov.uk/sites/coronavirus-information>

The following link lists support for individuals and families <http://www.lancaster.gov.uk/sites/coronavirus-information/help-for-individuals>

We are aware that a lot of people are struggling financially at this time. If anyone needs help managing debts, or needs help putting together a budgeting statement then the Citizens Advice Bureau have trained debt advisors that can help, they can also check to make sure people are receiving the correct level of benefits. To book a telephone appointment email enquiries@northlancashirecab.org.uk or phone: 03444 889 622 (9am - 4pm, Monday - Friday)

Council tenants who are struggling to pay their rent can contact our Income Management Team who are here to help. Their telephone number is 01524 582541 or they can be contacted via email IncomeManagementTeam-CH@lancaster.gov.uk

Private Tenants who need advice with any landlord / tenant issues can contact the council on 01524 582257