

Dear Parent/Carer

What a wonderfully busy few weeks we've had here at school! With so many exciting events, trips, and competitions, it's been a vibrant, joyful time for our children and staff alike.

As part of our Lenten journey, we've continued with our charitable efforts. Following last week's Key Stage 2 Big Walk to Lytham Hall, our younger children—led confidently by Year 3—completed their own sponsored walk through Green Drive. A huge well done to all who took part! Please don't forget to add any remaining sponsorship donations to our **CAFOD Big Walk** page via the link below. All funds go directly to the charity.

☐ **CAFOD Big Walk - St Peter's**

We began this week with a beautiful Reconciliation Service led by Father Peter, giving those children who were able to, the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confession. It was a truly special moment of reflection.

We were also honoured to receive the **Statue of Our Lady of Lourdes**, from St Bede's last Friday, continuing her pilgrimage throughout the Diocese as part of the centenary celebrations. Throughout the week, children have written heartfelt prayers, created artwork inspired by scripture, and learned more about Saint Bernadette. A small group of pupils then carried Our Lady on to her next stop—Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary School—where they took part in a deeply moving act of worship with their peers.

I continue to be so proud of all our children. This week alone:

- **Year 3** led their class worship with confidence and spoke so thoughtfully about **kindness**.
- Our **football and netball teams** displayed fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship during their matches.
- The **Rock Steady performers** wowed everyone with their energetic and confident performances in front of a big audience!

A heartfelt thank you to the **PTFA** and all the families who supported our **Bingo Night**—what a fun evening it was! It was wonderful to see so many families coming together and enjoying the event. Thank you also to our brilliant staff and to all of you, our families, for supporting every learning opportunity, enrichment event, and creative idea we put into motion. Your partnership truly makes our school a special, joyful, and nurturing place.

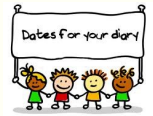
Please take a moment to check out the attached **OPAL Stay and Play** poster—we'd love for you to join us.

As we approach the final week of term, we now turn our focus to **Holy Week**—a time of quiet reflection and deep meaning. Year 6 are currently preparing liturgies to share with each class as we walk with Jesus on His journey to the cross. They will also lead **Prayer Stations**, open from the start of the day on **Thursday**, and you are warmly invited to experience these for yourself in a quiet and prayerful atmosphere. Father Peter will also be joining us during this sacred time.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

God Bless.

Mrs G-R



APRIL

- Tue 15 **OPAL stay & play—9AM**
- Tue 15 **followed by Book Look**
- Wed 16 **Easter Lunch**
- Thu 17 **School closes for Easter**
- Mon 28 **School opens Summer Term**
- Tue 29 **Y4/5 Theatre Trip**
- Wed 30 **Y6 St Bedes Orientation Eve**

MAY

- Mon 5 **May Day Bank Holiday**
- Wed 7 **Y5 Trip to Manchester**
- w/c 12 **Y6 SATS**
- Tue 20 **Class photos**
- Tue 20 **St Peters Got Talent**
- Fri 23 **School closes for half-term**

JUNE

- Mon 9 **School re-opens**
- Wed 11 **Y6 Winmarleigh Residential**
- Fri 27 **Charity Football Aid—in memory of Patrick McCready**

JULY

- Fri 18 **School closes for summer**

Handy Links

TERM DATES

CONTACT US

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

SCHOOL HOMEPAGE

FOREST SCHOOL

SCHOOL NURSING TEAM

SEND SPRING NEWSLETTER

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OPAL Stay & Play **+ Book Look**



***Come and experience OPAL first
hand alongside you child/ren!***

*You will also have an opportunity to go
into the classroom and look at you child's
books with them.*

All welcome!

When? Tuesday 15th April
9am-10am

We recommend you wear comfortable
clothing and footwear. :-)



CHURCH LIFE

St. Josephs Ansdel and St. Peter's Lytham

This Sunday 13th April

9:15am at St. Joseph 10:30am at St. Peter's

Palm Sunday Mass

All the children are asked to come and lead our procession. Gather in Church before Mass to wave our palms for Jesus!



This Maundy Thursday 17th April

7pm at St. Josephs

Mass of the Lord's Supper

All Children are invited to come along and have their Feet Washed, receive their Maundy Money and lead the Blessed Sacrament Procession with our First Communion Children.

All Welcome!



We have raised £155 so far, our target is £200. If you can spare any amount to help this worthy cause, it would be

appreciated! DONATE [HERE](#)

SCHOOL LIFE

School lunches

Please order via Scopay— next week—w.c. 14th April is:

Week 2—Menu [HERE](#)

Please order off our Easter Lunch menu for Wednesday

NEW SPRING SUMMER MENU STARTING MON 28TH APRIL!

PE DAYS

REC	WEDS & FRI
Y1	MON & THURS
Y2	TUES & FRI
Y3	TUES & WEDS
Y4	MON & THURS
Y5	WEDS & THURS
Y6	WEDS & THURS



FREE SCHOOL MEALS INFORMATION

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to universal free school meals. However, some families who are on low income and meet a certain criteria, are also eligible for supermarket shopping vouchers during school holidays and free holiday club places. Eligible families will continue to receive free school meals after Year 2.

Some families with children in Key Stage 1 do not claim as they are already getting free school meals, however they are missing out on the other benefits so please double check.

Please click on the link below to see if you are eligible. If you are eligible or have any problems please email Katy (Family Learning Mentor) katy.s@st-peters-pri.lancs.sch.uk so that your shopping vouchers can be emailed to you asap.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/?page=1>



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CAMPS 2025 INFORMATION

EASTER CAMPS

WEEK 1: 7th - 11th April (5 day week)
Alderley Edge School for Girls, SK9 7QE
Lancaster University Chaplaincy, LA1 4YW
St Pius X Catholic Prep School, Preston, PR2 8RD

WEEK 2: 14th - 17th April (4 day week)
AKS Prep School, Lytham, FY8 1DT
The King's School, Chester, CH4 7QL
Eccleston Lane Ends School, Prescot, L34 2QN

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR PACKED LUNCH!

**FULLY INSURED
HIGHLY TRAINED
DBS CHECKED
PRESENTERS**

**TAX FREE
CHILDCARE &
CHILDCARE
VOUCHERS
ACCEPTED!**

**NEW VENUES
THIS EASTER!**

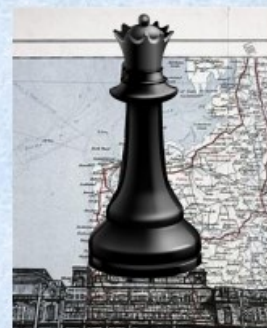
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FYLDE JUNIOR CHESS CLUB



Fylde Junior Chess Club is now taking applications for Summer Term
which will start on 1st May

The club meets on Thursdays at Lytham Assembly Rooms 3.45pm to 5.15pm and is
managed by adults with an Enhanced DBS.

Very much a beginners club for children from ages 7-16.

Should your child be interested in joining then please contact Richard Smith @
r.smith56@btinternet.com or tel 07486655193 as soon as possible as places are limited



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BREAKFAST & LUNCH £6 PER DAY

9.00AM - 3.30PM

MONDAY 7TH - THURSDAY 10TH APRIL 2025
MONDAY 14TH - THURSDAY 17TH APRIL 2025

FOR AGES 5-11 YEARS

Your kids won't want to miss this!
4 DAYS filled with sports, fun, and friendly competition. From rugby to football and to arts and crafts, we do it all!

BOOK HERE!



FYLDE RUGBY CLUB, BLACKPOOL ROAD, LYTHAM ST ANNES, FY8 4EL





Golf Starz
JUNIOR PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

Easter holiday course

Golf Plus more activities

Learn and play the Golf Starz way

Blackpool

mini starz little starz big starz







STAR OF THE DAY

STAR OF THE WEEK

SPOT PRIZES

Ages 4 -11 @Wren Rovers Football club

Coaching the basics of Golf to kids of all ages & abilities in a structured & fun way.
Learn the basics of Golf.

8th April added

14th -17th April
22nd -25th April

10am - 3pm

£15 PER DAY

£50 FULL 4 day WEEK

packed lunch required

Level 2 coach
DBS, 1st Aid



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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SEARCH ENGINES

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Search engines are an integral part of everyday life – with Google alone processing around 100,000 searches every second. Search engines use algorithms to predict which results will be useful to us, though this can expose children to inappropriate content, misinformation and even scams. This guide explains the risks associated with search engines and offers practical advice to help safeguard young users online.

MANIPULATED SEARCH RESULTS

Although search engines take site reputation into account, trustworthiness isn't the main factor. Instead, they use algorithms that can be gamed via tactics like search engine optimisation (SEO), which is big business. As a result, users may encounter misleading content and low-quality commercial products that appear more credible than they actually are.

MISINFORMATION AND DISINFORMATION

Search engines index billions of web pages – and not all of them are factual or safe. Children might stumble across false information or even deliberate disinformation, especially when searching for trending topics or controversial issues.

ENGINES BEYOND GOOGLE

Even if Google's SafeSearch is enabled, children may use lesser-known search engines that don't have similar protections. Some of these alternatives are less effective at blocking unsavoury content – sometimes by design – making it easier for children to encounter harmful or explicit material. Parental controls may also struggle to detect and block these sites.

ILLEGAL CONTENT CAN SURFACE

Search engines are designed to retrieve content based on keywords – not to judge whether that content is lawful. As a result, even illegal or harmful material can appear in search results. Children might assume that anything found through search engines must be safe, just because they're so widely used. This misunderstanding can lead to accidental exposure to seriously inappropriate content.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT EXPOSURE

Although parental controls like Google's SafeSearch exist, they aren't foolproof, and search engines may bypass them. Young users may still see inappropriate images or content, especially in image searches, even though they may not be able to click on the results. Some niche search engines lack even basic filtering, posing further risks.

UNRELIABLE AI SUMMARIES

Some search engines now offer AI-generated answers at the top of results. While these can be helpful as webpage summaries, they're not always accurate. There have been instances where AI summaries have presented false or even dangerous information, reinforcing the need for critical thinking.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ACTIVATE PARENTAL CONTROLS

While no parental controls tool is perfect, this software can help reduce the likelihood of inappropriate content appearing in search results. Use tools like Google Family Link to set search restrictions and monitor your child's browsing activity.

QUESTION AI-GENERATED CONTENT

While AI content is generated quickly and often appears legitimate, teach children that, just because an AI summary is well presented, it doesn't mean it's accurate. Encourage them to review the sources behind AI summaries and check the information with reputable sites or fact-checkers.

IDENTIFY AND AVOID ADVERTS

One of the ways search engines generate revenue is by showing adverts to their users. Sponsored search results are labelled, but they're not always easy to spot and can sometimes be malicious. Show your child how to distinguish between paid ads and organic search results – explain why some ads might be misleading or unsafe.

PROMOTE DIGITAL LITERACY

Encourage children to question the motivation behind online content and develop critical thinking, as not all sites can be trusted. Some deliberately misinform users in order to sell products or promote misinformation. Developing a critical mindset is one of the best defences against these tactics.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard, The Guardian and The New Statesman.



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