

Is it me, or has this week gone by in a flash?

It has been lovely to welcome all our new Reception and Kindergarten children. I had the absolute pleasure of having lunch with them on Thursday, and they were so smiley, happy and wonderfully chatty—it was an absolute treat!

As I have popped in and out of classrooms and spent lunchtimes at OPAL, I have seen everyone beginning to feel more settled and confident in their new classrooms and with their new teachers.

Year 6 held their Meet the Teacher session this week, and sessions for the rest of the school will take place next Wednesday. To make it easier for families to attend, each session will be offered twice: at 3.30pm and again at 5.00pm. Please do join us if you are able. We have made some changes to the way we teach spelling and mathematics, so this will be a valuable opportunity to learn more about classroom routines and expectations.

Our staff worked incredibly hard over the summer, completing training and refreshing their classrooms. You may have noticed that our learning environments now have a more consistent appearance, with reduced clutter, softer lighting and other thoughtful changes. These decisions are intentional and research-informed. They support children's regulation, helping them to feel safe, calm and ready to learn.

Like you, we are still mastering our new Bromcom system. We apologise if any messages sent to teachers have not yet received a response. We have now received further training materials and will be better equipped to manage this area of the system moving forward. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Thank you to Father Peter for celebrating a wonderful Mass to mark the beginning of our school year, and to our Year 6 children for leading us so beautifully. It was wonderful to see so many members of the parish and school community there. As always, we appreciate families bringing the children to church and thank those who were able to walk back to school with us. Thankfully, the rain stayed away and we arrived back dry and happy!

This week, we have continued to focus on the Catholic Social Teaching principle of Human Dignity and the Gospel value of Forgiveness. The children have been challenged to show respect, kindness and love through their words and actions.

I have certainly seen this in practice: our Year 6 children seeking out their Reception Seedlings at lunchtime; children rushing to help someone who has fallen or needs a friend; and the many smiles and kind words exchanged throughout the day.

It has been a very good week.

Have the best weekend, and we will see you on Monday, ready to do it all again!

Kindest regards

Mrs Gili-Ross



Dates for the Diary:

SEPTEMBER

Sun 13th	Blessing of Backpacks at both parish Masses
Mon 14th	School Photos—Individual
Mon 14th	Year 3 Class Mass—11am
Weds 16th	Year 6 Castlerigg
Weds 16th	Meet the Teacher 3.30pm or 5pm—Reception to Year 5
Mon 28th	Nasal Flu Vaccination

SCHOOL LIFE

PE DAYS

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

SNACKS AVAILABLE FOR KS2 PUPILS

Brown or White toast	25p
Crumpet	35p
Tea Cake	45p
Orange or Apple juice	50p

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.

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

Battery Recycling available at School

We're pleased to let you know that we now have a battery recycling box located in the school entrance.



Should My Child Stay Off School?

Deciding whether your child should stay home from school can sometimes be tricky. To help parents make informed decisions, the NHS has clear guidance on when children should be kept off school and when it's safe for them to attend. Following this advice helps protect other pupils and staff, while also ensuring children don't miss more school than necessary.

You can read the full NHS advice here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



St Peter's
Catholic
Primary
School

Meet the Teacher

For Reception class up to Year 5

This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher, find out about the year ahead and ask any questions you may have.



3.30pm

or



5.00pm



Wednesday
16th September

We look forward to seeing you!



COMMUNITY INFO & EVENTS



At Park View 4U, Lytham - Starting on: Saturday 19th September

Suitable for children aged 7 and over. Each month we will be learning about the medicinal uses of plants, stories, songs, growing, harvesting, and making something to take home - lavender bags, lip balms, bath bombs, lotions, potions and much more!!

JHC is an Internationally recognised education program that lets children learn about the healing and medicinal plants all around them in a safe and supervised environment proudly supported by the National Institute of Medical Herbalists.

- Identification of common herbs growing all around
- Safety - which herbs are safe to use and which are poisonous
- Folklore - taught through stories and songs
- How to grow and harvest herbs
- Medicinal uses of common herbs
- How to use a variety of common herbs for first aid
- How to make a variety of herbal preparations to keep and take home
- Respect for all plants and their environment

All classes run by Medical Herbalist and NIMH registered JHC leader

Places are strictly limited and as this course is very popular,
early booking is advised to avoid disappointment.

For more information and to book your child's place, please contact:

Olive O'cloigh

pedagogy.ofthesoil@gmail.com

07825598297

www.juniorherbalistclub.com



Blessing of BackPacks for the New School Year

Go
and do
all the good
you can"
♡

next Sunday 13th
at all Masses.



All welcome to have
their school stuff,
stationary, pencil cases,
sports kits or whatever,

☀ **blessed** for the ☀
New Academic Year.



We pray for a happy,
safe and successful
year for all our
children and young people.



FAITH ♡ FRIENDSHIP ♡ LEARNING ♡ A BRIGHTER TOMORROW



A group of dads from St. Peter's and other local schools meet regularly for a casual game of five, six, seven, or eight-a-side football every **Wednesday, 8 p.m. at Lytham YMCA.**



8 till 9 p.m.



£5

pay as you play



Always very friendly and always happy to welcome new players.



If you fancy a game,
message JJ on

07933 577123

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MOVE. **CONNECT.** THRIVE.

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TO ATTEND**



FRIDAY
18 SEPTEMBER 2026



5:00PM



BLACKPOOL
SPORTS CENTRE

12 WEEK PROGRAMME

A fun and friendly circuit session for friends and families of all ages.

Accessible movement, shared activity and community connection.

Build confidence and connect with others whilst working out.

**ALL
ABILITIES
WELCOME**

BRING YOUR BESTIE • BRING YOUR PARENT • BRING YOUR CHILD



MOVE TOGETHER

Shared activity for all generations



BUILD CONFIDENCE

Feel stronger and more positive



CONNECT WITH OTHERS

Friendship, teamwork and support



HAVE FUN

A friendly session with community spirit

♡ GENTLE MOVEMENT LIFTS HEAVY MINDS ♡

“ Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much. ” – Helen Keller ”



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