

Dear Parent/Carer

Wow! Here we are at the end of the half term already! Although, I think it is fair to say that both staff and children and probably parents are ready for a break from the school run.

This week started with a special celebration for some of our Year 6 children who were confirmed by Bishop Paul at St Peter's Church. We are so proud of them and the hard work they have put in preparing for this special sacrament.

We also had a trip to the Tower Ballroom with our dance team who wowed us with their incredible skill and showmanship. Huge thank you to Holly who did all the choreography—it was amazing! I am sure we will be able to showcase the dance for our grandparents when they join us for an Easter celebration. Next stop is the tea dance with Year 2 -watch this space!

We managed to squeeze in a visit to Lytham Hall with our Year 2 children who enjoyed linking what they saw with what they have been learning in History.

Year 3 and 4 watched St Bede's impressive production of Aladdin-what a busy week!

Have a lovely break and I hope that the road works on Norfolk road will be completed by the time we return.

Mrs G-R X

## Handy Links

[TERM DATES](#)

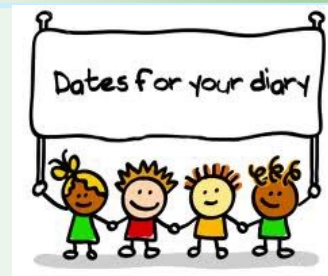
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### FEB

Fri 14 School closes for half-term

Mon 24 School re-opens

### MAR

Mon 3 Y4 Class Mass—11am

Tue 4 Pancake day lunch

Wed 5 Ash Wednesday

Thur 6 World Book Day & Lunch

Mon 10 Y5 Class Mass—11am

Mon 17 Y6 & Rec Class Mass—11am

Tue 18 Y4 Shakespeare The Grand

Thur 20 Be Happy Day Lunch

Tue 25 Mothers Day Planters

Tue 25 Parents eve

Wed 26 Parents eve

Fri 28 Y2 Worship

Please follow the link below for the LCC SEND Winter Newsletter

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/media/958481/send-newsletter-winter-2024.pdf>

## SCHOOL LIFE

Class Mass -TBC	Friday Class Worship
Reception March 17 <sup>th</sup>	January 17 <sup>th</sup>
Year 1 January 20 <sup>th</sup>	February 7 <sup>th</sup>
Year 2 January 27 <sup>th</sup>	March 28 <sup>th</sup>
Year 3 February 3 <sup>rd</sup>	April 11 <sup>th</sup>
Year 4 March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	March 21 <sup>st</sup>
Year 5 March 10 <sup>th</sup>	January 31 <sup>st</sup>
Year 6 March 17 <sup>th</sup>	January 24 <sup>th</sup>

### PE DAYS

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

### School lunches

Please order via Scopay— next week—  
w.c. 24th Feb is:

**Week 1—Menu [HERE](#)**



### 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](mailto: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>

# 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

## TEACHING CYCLE SAFETY

Cycling is an amazing way to spend quality time together as a family, as well as keeping everyone healthy and active – and it's an excellent exercise, whatever the age of your children. Getting started can sometimes be daunting, and there are obvious safety concerns over youngsters who are still getting used to a bike – so follow our top tips to help you ride with confidence.

### 1 CONSIDER CYCLE TRAINING

Courses like Bikeability are extremely useful, and training in general has come a long way since cycling proficiency began; there are Bikeability courses for adults, too. Cycle training teaches invaluable skills (such as good road positioning, signalling and visibility), and can help both parents and children feel more at ease on busy streets.

### 2 USE A SUITABLE BIKE

Find a bike of an appropriate size for its rider and resist the temptation to have children 'grow into' theirs by buying one too large for them. A bigger bike will be heavier and more difficult to control, making accidents more likely and potentially putting youngsters off cycling forever. If your child has any specific physical needs, or has dyspraxia, then try out a trike, handcycle or other adaptive cycle to see what works best.

### 3 TRY A CARGO BIKE

Cargo bikes, particularly the box-bike style, are ideal for transporting small children around. Depending on the type of bike chosen – as well as the size and age of the children – it can be possible to transport up to four little ones in this way, with additional space for other cargo as well.

### 4 INSPECT YOUR CYCLE

It's a good idea to do some routine checks on any bike before going for a ride to make sure everything's working correctly. The 'M check' is particularly useful: assessing the condition and position of the bike's wheels, handlebars, brakes, pedals, chain and saddle, working from front to back. Online tutorial videos can also teach you how to carry out basic repairs if needed. For more complicated fixes, head to your local bike shop.

### 5 BRING SUITABLE GEAR

Ensure whatever you're wearing, and any attachments for your bike, are suitable for the ride. A waterproof jacket will let you cycle safely in almost any weather. Make sure any helmets are fitted correctly. If you're riding after dark, remember to fit your bikes with a white front light, a red rear light and a red rear reflector. These are required by law.

### 6 STICK TO FLAT TERRAIN

Take a smooth, flat route if possible, so it's more suitable for younger cyclists. You might be surprised by how many quiet roads or back streets there may be in your area. Don't be put off by an indirect but easier path as opposed to a shorter, busier one. Look out for the National Cycle Network, canal towpaths and even parks that you can cut through.

### 7 STAY ALERT AND IN SAFE FORMATIONS

For maximum protection and visibility, ride in a line with children in the middle and adults at either end. If you're the only adult present, take up a position at the rear to ensure all children remain in your sight. Don't be tempted to hug the kerb if cycling on the road – riding approximately a metre out will make you more noticeable to other road users, and you'll also stay clear of any debris in the gutter.

### 8 AVOID PARKED CARS

When riding past parked cars, try to stay at least a metre away, just in case anyone inside opens a door unexpectedly or the vehicle itself starts to move. This precaution will also deter anyone driving behind from trying to squeeze past you when there isn't enough space, so don't be afraid to ride in a prominent position.

### 9 START A 'BIKE BUS'

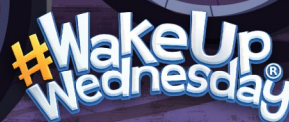
Cycling to school with other families is a potentially fun experience – one which comes with the added benefit of safety in numbers, in case anything goes wrong along the way. Team up with other parents, carers and educators and pick a day to cycle to school together. Who knows – maybe, in time, you'll have other folks asking to join you?

### 10 HAVE FUN!

Keep in mind that cycling should be fun! A good bike ride can be really enjoyable for adults and children alike, while also being a superb form of exercise. Ease children into the hobby by starting them off with shorter journeys – such as a trip to the park – and build them up to longer, more complicated outings. Some children may get bored on a longer ride, so try to keep a conversation going with them.

### Meet Our Expert

Sophie Gordon is the campaigns manager at Cycling UK, a charity which inspires and enables people to start cycling. She has spent six years campaigning for safer roads and more protected cycle paths, while supporting communities to call for better cycling conditions where they live.



Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/teaching-cycle-safety>



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## EVENTS & FUNDRAISING



We once again have a selection of our pupils artwork included in the Gazette Young Seaside Schools' Arts & Crafts Exhibition 2025



The exhibition will be taking place again at:  
The Gallery, Blackpool & The Fylde College  
Park Road, Blackpool, FY1 4ES

Dates of exhibition: Tuesday 4th March until  
Friday 4th April

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We also have 1:1 music lessons available during the school day that can be booked via the Lancashire Music Service. See website for further information.

<https://www.lancashiremusicclub.co.uk/site/>

## LANCASHIRE MUSIC SERVICE

TUESDAYS  
AFTER SCHOOL IN TERM TIME

# FYLDE MUSIC CENTRE

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## LANCASHIRE MUSIC SERVICE FYLDE MUSIC CENTRE

# Little Beatz

Early Years and Key Stage 1 Music Making For All



Pre-school  
children  
welcome!

Tuesdays  
4.00pm - 4.30pm

St Bede's RC High School  
Lytham

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EVERY SATURDAY MORNING:

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Qualified Coaches • £20 per month**

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE EMAIL:  
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09:00-10:00 / 10:00-11:00

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February 17th - 21st  
09:00-16:00



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£18 per day

£5  
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Drop off: from 08:00  
Pick up: before 17:00



To book your place visit: [www.afcfyldefoundation.co.uk/half-term](http://www.afcfyldefoundation.co.uk/half-term)

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