

Dear Parent/Carer

I know I say it so often, but it really has been a very busy week. We had a Full Governing Body meeting on Monday, where we were able to celebrate the staff and children's hard work since we last met as a full body in November. On Tuesday, we travelled to Fleetwood with our Year 2 children to take part in the Fylde and Wyre Key Stage One Tea Dance. The children had a fantastic day, loved watching the other children dance, and really did rock the dance floor with their Charlie and Lola-inspired moves. As promised, we will perform the dance for families here at school and will let you know the date as soon as possible.

Today, we welcomed over 30 Headteachers to tour our school as part of a two-day Coastal Headteachers Conference. I felt so proud to show them around our classrooms, outdoor learning environment, and for them to experience first-hand the joy of OPAL playtimes. As a Head, it is always lovely to look around other schools, pinch ideas, and reassure yourself that we are on the right track! It was so lovely to hear so many positive comments, and I think there will be a few new OPAL schools popping up across the Lancashire coast!

In other news, we are busy planning for Holy Week and will soon share a date and time with you, where you will be invited to join us for a Holy Week Liturgy. Next week, our Year 4 children will be treading the boards at The Grand Theatre as part of the Shakespeare Schools production of *The Tempest*.

I hope to see you on Sunday for Family Mass at St Joseph's at 9:15 am.

Have a good rest
Mrs G-R X



Handy Links

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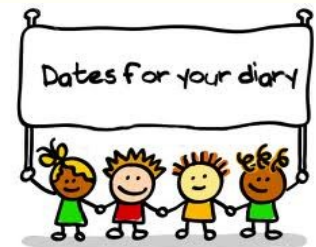
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MAR

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

APRIL

Wed 2 Y1 Blackpool Zoo Trip

WEDS 2ND NO ARK OR AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Fri 4 Easter Ceramics

Fri 11 Year 3 worship

Fri 11 Rocksteady concert

Thu 17 School closes for Easter

Mon 28 School opens Summer Term

SCHOOL LIFE

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

PE DAYS

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



PARENTS EVENING WILL BE
ON TUESDAY 25TH MARCH &
WEDNESDAY 26TH MARCH

BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT
VIA THE SCOPAY APP

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>

SCHOOL LIFE

School lunches

Please order via Scopay— next week—w.c. 17th March is:

Week 1—Menu [HERE](#)

N.B: We have a themed day on Thursday 20th March is 'Be Happy Day' lunch—see below

THUR 20 MARCH

**BE
HAPPY
DAY**

Harmonious Hotdog 
(Pork Frankfurter in a bun)
&
Cheerful Tomato Ketchup
with
Smiley Face Potatoes &
Glorious Garden Vegetables
or
Vibrant Vegetable Pasta Bake
(Pasta Bake with Cheese, Tomato,
Pepper & Sweetcorn)
with
Gleeful Garlic Bread
&
Sunshine Salad
~
Sparkling Marble Shortbread
or
Joyous Jelly
&
Incredible Ice Cream

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N.B. Football is now on a Wednesday—NOT Monday!



SPRING 2 – 2025

Day of the week	Year Group	Club name	Finish time	Pick up from
Mon	Y3 – Y6	Dance <i>(Performing at 4.15pm – Mon 7th April)</i>	4.30pm	Front entrance
	Y2-6	LAMDA (book direct)	See separate attachment	
Tues	Y1 – Y2	Digital Art	4:15pm	Front entrance
	Y2 – Y6	Bracelet making	4.30pm	Front entrance
Weds	Y4 – Y6	Netball	08:00am drop off	Year 3
	Y3 – Y4	Tag Rugby	4.30pm	Front entrance
	Y4 – Y6	Mixed football	4.30pm	Green side gate by Year 4
Thurs	Rec – Y6	Jujitsu (book direct)	4.30pm	Front entrance
	Y3 – Y6	Forest School	5pm	Green shipping container
Fri	Y3 - Y6	Choir	4.30pm	Front entrance



The Mini Vinnies club will continue but will run during the school day

**FOR SAFETY REASONS, MAY WE POLITELY REMIND PARENTS
NOT TO DRIVE INTO THE CARPARK WHEN PICKING UP**

People We Love Planters

Tuesday 25th March 2025

£6 per
planter

Pay via
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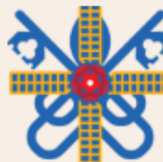


With Greg
from Leafy
Lytham

Book by
Friday 21st
March

Children can create a planter for their chosen person. Maximum one planter per child. Siblings can do a planter together.

Pay via Scopay and complete a booking form. Instructions for 'sibling' planters on the booking form.



To book, complete the form via link below by Fri 21st March:

<https://forms.office.com/e/xz4bsNAbnL>

EVENTS & FUNDRAISING



Parent (or Grandparent/Carer) and Child Easter Ceramics Painting Session

Friday 4th April

In the school hall. Drop in anytime
between 3.30pm and 5pm.

£10 per person painting. This includes
an ornament of choice, paints, glaze and
firing as well as refreshments.



Please follow link to complete form and pay via ScoPay.

<https://forms.office.com/e/6WLhFKTfxF>

The session will be run by The Sewing Institute
who will be on hand to help and advise you as
needed. 😊

**The Sewing
Institute**

Money raised will go towards play
resources for OPAL.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

EVENTS & FUNDRAISING

The Gazette young seasiders 2025

School Arts & Crafts Exhibition



Visit the Exhibition at the
Blackpool School of Arts' Gallery, FY1 4ES
Tuesday 4th March to Friday 28th March
Monday, 9am - 8pm • Tuesday, 9am - 5pm • Wednesday, 9am to 5pm
Thursday, 9am to 8pm • Friday, 9am - 5pm

For more information contact
The Promotions Team
07786060702



In association with



Gazette Young Seaside Schools' Arts & Crafts Exhibition 2025

The following children's artwork is included in the exhibition:

Reception—Elijah

Year 1—Margot & Ray

Year 2—Lily, Wilfred & Jack M.

Year 3—Jenson & Maycee

Year 4—Oliver B. & Oliver.J.

Year 5—Noah, Jamie, Ava & Toby

Year 6—Freya, Henrietta, Lana & Sophia G.

Congratulations to the winners!!

Elijah - Reception and Noah—Year 5

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ROBLOX

AGE RESTRICTION
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Roblox is one of the most popular video games among children. In 2020, the game's developers claimed that more than half of the USA's children had played it. As a 'sandbox' title, the game lets players create their own gaming experiences with Roblox Studio to build custom levels, which can then be shared online.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ONLINE PLAY RISKS

Because Roblox connects random players across the world, it can put younger players into an environment with anonymous users who could use the platform for nefarious reasons. For example, some role-play games are used for online dates and mature role play, which could expose youngsters to inappropriate messages in the public chat box.

MATURE CONTENT

Content is difficult to moderate throughout Roblox, due to the number of games available. This is particularly notable on smaller games and experiences, but in summary, some of the games and experiences offered on the platform contain age-inappropriate content that could easily be seen by young players.

IN-GAME SPENDING

The majority of games within Roblox have extensive monetisation options, usually through season passes or microtransactions. Purchases can range in value from a few pennies up to much larger sums of money. While some games offer a lot of content via purchases, others can offer very little for real world money, causing younger players to end up out of pocket.

ANONYMOUS PLAYERS

The anonymity of users can leave players vulnerable to bullying, harassment, and predatory behaviour. Without the right parental controls or monitoring, users can connect with each other via personal messages or friend requests, and it is very difficult to know who's behind a username in this vast online world.

RISK OF ADDICTION

Roblox games can feature rewarding or satisfying mechanics that keep players coming back – or persuade them to stay logged-in for much longer. Like most games, they focus on interactivity, with constant rewards via in-game unlocks and currencies, which can sometimes lead to an addictive need to remain online for long periods of time.

SCAMS

Many of the games on Roblox feature collectible items, pets, or characters. These objects, while digital, are worth a lot of real money on certain online markets. Scammers will attempt to trade with younger users in the hopes of getting rare items that can be sold for real money, manipulating the child into handing them over, usually via misleading information.

Advice for Parents & Educators

MONITOR THE CONTENT

While Roblox does implement plenty of moderation tools and parental controls, it's up to parents and guardians to monitor the types of games a child or impressionable player is experiencing. If a youngster wants to play Roblox, be sure to check out which specific games they want to play within it, and get a good idea of their content.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TOOLS

Use the parental controls within the game itself and teach youngsters how to report and block other players. Knowing the powers within their reach will make Roblox a safer, happier experience. You can set age ranges for who's allowed to contact you, close public chat boxes, block spending, and even make your Roblox profile completely private. All these options are helpful in cutting off bad actors from engaging with children.

PLAY TOGETHER

Consider playing Roblox with the children in your care. There are few more effective ways to see how monetisation works, gauge whether the game could lead to addictive behaviours, or even witness how interaction between players works, than sitting down and trying the game for yourself. This should help you figure out whether it's suitable for particular children.

TEACH ONLINE BEHAVIOURS

Have an open conversation about the risks of online play and how to spend money wisely. By being honest and giving tips on how a younger user can protect themselves, you can empower them to not only take care of themselves, but others too. Any user can be reported to Roblox moderators by other players for behaving inappropriately. With this knowledge, younger players can be aware of what to look for and help prevent it.

Meet Our Expert

Dan Lipscombe is a videogame journalist and author of over 20 books on gaming, including books on Minecraft, Fortnite, Roblox, and more. For 15 years he has been writing about his passion for gaming. When he's not playing games, he's talking about them at GAMINGbible.



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2025

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- Deprivation of Liberty
- Parentage and Legal Parenthood
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WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH
10am - 12 noon
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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

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