



St. Chad's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



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THE SEASON OF LENT

A word from Pope Francis...

"Lent is a 'powerful' season, a turning point that can foster change in each of us.

Let us deny ourselves something every day to help others."

"Lent is a time for drawing near to Christ by listening to the word of God and celebrating the sacraments."

WEDNESDAY WORD – LENT EDITIONS

[Click for this week's Wednesday Word](#)



RAISE BIG DONATIONS FOR OUR PTA!



If you are planning on booking your Easter or Summer Holiday during March with TUI, please use EasyFundraising to make your booking (see link below) as **TUI has made a Classroom Commitment to give a £100* donation to St Chads PTA Fund if you book a holiday this month.** With no minimum spend required, all TUI bookings (excludes flight-only bookings) will raise a HUGE £100 limited-time donation. [Booking Link](#)

ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

Please see attachments email for this month's online safety newsletter, which is designed to support parents to keep your children safe online. This month's focus is on the impact of smartphones, AI and Tik-Tok. We hope it helps.

200 CLUB RENEWALS – PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN

Just a reminder that it's now time to renew / join the 200 club for the next 12 months (March 2025 - February 2026 inclusive). School's would struggle to fund the cost of the levy from within school budgets, so our 200 Club is a fun way to raise funds to pay the church and school levy and members of the 200 club have the chance to benefit from the prize money. With dwindling numbers in the 200 club over recent years, however, school is having to subsidise more each year to cover the cost of the levy, meaning that we have less of our budget to spend directly on the children. Although contributions from families is completely voluntary, the more parents, staff, governors and parishioners that are in the 200 club or who pay the levy, the less school has to subsidise from our school budget, so if you feel that you can contribute in this way, it really does help make a difference.



To renew your 200 club subscriptions for the next 12 months, or to join the 200 club if you are not already a member, please use the new items which have been added to ParentPay. If you do not wish to renew or join the 200 Club, please instead consider paying the voluntary £10 levy via the "School Levy" payment item which has also been set up within ParentPay.

SPECIAL LUNCH DAYS

BE HAPPY DAY LUNCH

We will be offering a "Be Happy Day" lunch on **Thursday 20th March**. The menu will be:

Harmonious Hotdog with Smiley Faces & Glorious Garden Veg
or
Playful Pasta Bake with Gleeful Garlic Bread & Sunshine Salad
Followed by
Wonderful Waffles or Joyous Jelly & Incredible Ice Cream



EASTER LUNCH

We will be offering our Easter lunch on **Wednesday 23rd April**. The menu will be:



Roast Chicken with Potatoes, Veg & Gravy
or
Cheese Whirl and Beans
Followed by
Easter Treat Dessert

These menus will be available to the whole school on these days. If your child does not normally have a school lunch on these days but wishes to take part, please email Mrs Southworth bursar@stchads.lancs.sch.uk to add them onto the list (please also confirm their meal choice). Children who normally have a school lunch on a these days do not need to reply, they will choose from the menu on the day as usual. Payment for this lunch should be made via the Pupil School Meal payment item on ParentPay for children who are in KS2 (unless entitled to Free School Meals).

SPRING TERM DATES FOR THE DIARY

N.B. Dates may be subject to change. We will update with changes and highlight new dates in yellow.
You may also subscribe to our calendar via the school website <https://st-chads-catholic-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/diary/subscribe/> This should update changes to your device. Click on 'Subscribe to this Calendar' and follow the instruction.



DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday 9 th March	9:15am	Sacramental Preparation (session 2)
Tuesday 11 th March	6:00pm	Y6 SATS Information Meeting for Parents
Thursday 13 th March	9:15am	Class 3 Mass
Sunday 16 th March	9:15am	Sacramental Preparation (session 3)
Monday 17 th March	3:30pm	Geography Exhibitions
Wednesday 19 th March	6:30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Thursday 20 th March	9:15am	Class 5 Mass
Thursday 20 th March	-	Be Happy Day Lunch
Thursday 27 th March	9:15am	Class 1 Mass
Tuesday 1 st April	6:00pm	Easter Bingo
Thursday 3 rd April	9:30am	Easter Service in school
Friday 4 th April	2:15pm	School closes for Easter
Tuesday 22 nd April	-	School reopens for summer term

REMINDERS FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS...

CLUBS FOR THIS HALF TERM - REMINDER

There are many clubs on offer this half term. In an attempt to keep things simple, we have produced a chart with all details in one place. Please see document sent with last week's newsletter, which also contains links to book on where necessary. We hope this helps.

SHOPPING ONLINE



Please remember to use Easyfundraising when you do any shopping online, book your next Holiday or buy home, travel or car insurance.

Over 6,000 shops including Amazon, Argos, Boots, Etsy and many other high street stores, fashion brands and sites will donate to:

St Chad's PTA Fund at no extra cost to you! You can raise donations when you buy gifts, decorations, food and lots more.

Scan the QR code or visit : <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stchadspta/>



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

PARISH NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE AT <http://stchads-southhill.org/newsletter>

LITTLE CHURCH

All our children are invited to come along to Church for Sunday Mass at 9:15am, where they are welcome to join in the Children's Liturgy at "Little Church".

PARISH CENTRES FOR HIRE

St. Chad's and St. Bede's Parish Centres are available to hire for use by groups and for some private functions. **Enquiries : St Bede's** call Aidan on 01257 271818 / **St Chad's** call 07719 718523. If you get the answerphone, please leave your name and number and they will call you back.

COFFEE MORNINGS

Regular coffee mornings will be held in St. Chad's Parish Centre every second Sunday of each month. Tea, coffee and cakes will be served for a small donation. Everyone welcome.

ALTAR SERVERS

Any young people in Year 4 or older who would like to help at Mass as altar servers are very welcome. Please have a word with Fr Mark who will explain how you can get involved.

