



St. Chad's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



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Thursday 18th September 2025

Parish Newsletter Available at <http://stchads-southhill.org/newsletter>

WELCOME MASS – ALL INVITED

We are planning a Welcome Mass on **Thursday 25th September**. This is due to be held in our school hall at 9:30am and **all are welcome!** If you can join us for this special occasion, please enter via the back doors to the main hall any time after drop-off until 9:30am.

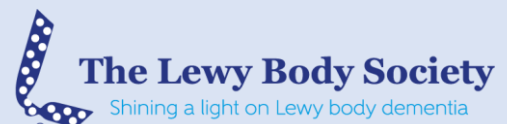
AUTUMN TERM DATES FOR THE DIARY

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 \(click for link\)](#). This should update changes to your device. Click on 'Subscribe to this Calendar' and follow the instruction.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday 12 th September	-	Class Newsletters
Thursday 25 th September	9:30am	Welcome Mass in school – all welcome!
Friday 3 rd October	2:30pm	Harvest Assembly in school – all welcome!
Monday 13 th October	-	Tempest – Individual and Family photographs
Tuesday 14 th / Wednesday 15 th October	3:30-6:00pm	Year 6 Parents' Evening
Thursday 16 th October	4:30-7:00pm	Holy Cross Open Evening
Monday 20 th - Wednesday 22 nd October	-	Year 2 Road Safety Course
Tuesday 21 st / Wednesday 22 nd October	3:30-6:00pm	Parents' Evening (Reception to Year 5)
Thursday 23 rd October	3:15pm	School closes for half term
Monday 3 rd November	9:00am	School reopens
Monday 10 th / Tuesday 11 th November	-	Year 6 Bikeability Course
Thursday 13 th November	-	Flu vaccinations
	4:00pm	Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics
Tuesday 9 th / Wednesday 10 th December	3:30pm	Infant Nativity Plays in school
Tuesday 16 th December	6:00pm	Junior Carol Service in church
Wednesday 17 th December	-	Christmas Parties
Friday 19 th December	2:15pm	School Closes for Christmas Holidays

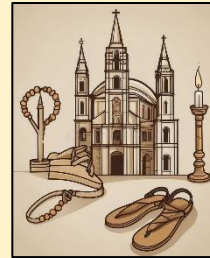
MRS COYLE RUNNING FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Our very own Mrs Coyle is running the West Coast Half Marathon on Sunday 12th October. This is her first half marathon and she is running in memory of her sister Zoie, whilst raising money for The Lewy Body Society. You can read more information at her [JustGiving Page](#) where donations can also be made. Go Mrs Coyle! We're right behind you!



MESSAGE FROM MR RILEY - ARCHDIOCESE PILRIMAGE

A group of Headteachers from across Liverpool Archdiocese are embarking on a pilgrimage to Rome on 30th September for 4 days, organised by Liverpool Archdiocese. The days are packed with opportunities for spiritual development, with the aim to boost the spiritual life of schools across the Archdiocese. Having saved up my pocket money, I feel privileged to be joining them on this occasion and grateful for the support from staff and governors. Mrs Topp will be leading the school in my absence, with Mrs Muldoon teaching Year 6. Our school mascot will accompany me for photo opportunities and I will share these, along with my experiences, with the children on my return.



SAVE THE DATE - COMEDY NIGHT



The St Chad's Parish Social Group are organising a comedy night on **Thursday 13th November** at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Harpers Lane, Chorley. The wonderful Steve Royle will be the host, along with appearances from Phoenix Nights comedians. All proceeds go to St Chad's Parish. More details to follow in future weeks.

WEDNESDAY WORD

This is a weekly resource, inspired by the upcoming Sunday's Gospel, for families to use for prayer and reflection at home. [Click here to view.](#)



PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

If you, or someone you know, has a child due to start primary school next September who may be interested in St. Chad's, they can register their interest by completing our online form using the link below so that they can be sent details of the admission process. They can also register to come and look around school during the daytime by completing the second form below.

Register of Interest Form : <https://forms.office.com/e/ZM6E4NrgAU>

School Visit request Form : <https://forms.office.com/e/7FiqE3CwET>

Both forms are also available on our website in the Admissions area of the Key Info page. Primary and Secondary School applications should be made online using the link or QR code below by the appropriate deadline. If your child is in Year 6, please read the email sent earlier this week with secondary school application information from Lancashire County Council.

Do you have a child starting primary school in September 2026 and living in Lancashire?

Closing date: 15 January 2026

You **must** apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

Apply for a school place now by scanning the QR code or visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools



Do you have a child starting secondary school in September 2026 and living in Lancashire?

Closing date: 31 October 2025

You **must** apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school.

Apply for a school place now by scanning the QR code or visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools



REMINDERS FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS

NASAL FLU VACCINES

The Intrahealth Immunisation team will be in school again this year on Thursday 13th November to administer the nasal flu vaccine. If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete an online consent form. If you would like to decline, please complete a “no” consent form on the attached link.

<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/14ccca6d>



Please note that this link will close on the 05/10/25. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since Sept 2025, please complete a ‘No’ to consent form. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone Intrahealth directly on 0333 3583 397 option 2 option 1 .

JUNIOR DUKE

Towards the end of the summer term we sent out a link for an online form to complete in order to register interest. **If you haven't already registered interest and your child would like to take part, this year (even if they took part last year) you will need to register / re-register their interest using the link below as soon as possible as we need to order the correct number of resources very soon.**

Online Registration Form Link : <https://forms.office.com/e/51atib101v>



CHOIR AND YOUNG VOICES

Mrs Topp will be running choir for KS2 children on a Thursday night from the end of the school day until 4.00 p.m. Children should be collected from the back of the main hall. There will be a small cost of £5 for the year to attend choir. If your child wants to attend, please log-in to ParentPay to give your consent and to make your payment. We will also be taking our choir to perform at Young Voices on 6th February 2026 and we will be learning all the songs in choir. Please see separate email from Mrs Topp with more details.



SPANISH CLUB - EL CLUB ESPAÑOL



New children in years 1-6 can come along for a no obligation taster any Monday. Our fun clubs allow your child to get started on a new and exciting language, with the help of fun games, songs, stories and drama, and children can try any time! We have two clubs and they are open to all levels of ability.

Fun Spanish After School Club for Y1- Y6 is a 1-hour club and takes place on Mondays until 4.25pm for 13 weeks in the Autumn Term, fees are £7.15 per session, payable termly.

Fun Spanish Lunchtime Club for Rec-Y6 is a 30-min club and takes place at 12-12.30 on Mondays for 13 weeks in the Autumn Term, fees are £5.80 per session, payable termly.

Beginners are most welcome and all children can have a no-obligation taster for these clubs by signing up at www.boltonlanguages.co.uk/enrol and paying AFTER the trial session, by skipping the payment stage of the signup until the trial is complete. If your child doesn't wish to continue, then you don't need to pay anything. Please contact Chris Abalain if you would like more information on these clubs, you can email chris@boltonlanguages.co.uk or call 07917 848745.

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM



On dry days, pre-loved uniform which has been donated to school along with any un-named lost property uniform will be on display in the pavilion. Please take a look through and take any items you may need. Let's make a change and live a simpler, more sustainable life together.

WALK TO SCHOOL ALONE POLICY

If your child is in Year 5 or Year 6 and you wish for them to walk/ride to or from school alone, please request a copy of our 'Travelling to and from school alone policy'. An application form is contained within the policy to be submitted to Mr Riley. **Please include details of the route and address and await a response.** Many thanks.

GUITAR TUITION

Children can start guitar lessons in school with a tutor from the Lancashire Music Service from Year 3, however, as we operate a waiting list, you are welcome to add your child's name to the waiting list any time from Reception by emailing k.southworth@st-chads.lancs.sch.uk.



KEYBOARD, PIANO & UKULELE TUITION

Tuition for these instruments is also available through the Lancashire Music Service PDP scheme (Parental Direct Payment). Lessons are held in school, usually by the same tutor who provides the guitar lessons in school.

Please visit <https://www.lancashiremusicclub.co.uk/site/parent-direct-payment-pdp-scheme/> for more information and register your child for lessons.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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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.

