



St. Chad's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



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SPORTS DAY



What a wonderful afternoon! We were all so proud of each and every child for their spirited participation and the way that they supported and encouraged one another. It was wonderful to see so many adults from our community on the trackside too, supporting the children with such generosity of heart. It is on occasions like this when we remember how blessed we are to be part of the St Chad's family.



SPONSORED COLOUR RUN – FINAL REMINDERS

And the active and healthy fun just keeps on coming! You should have received your complimentary white t-shirt in your child's bag either yesterday or today. This is to be worn for the Colour Run. They are purposely large to capture as much colour as possible! These were kindly donated by a parent who wishes to remain anonymous, and we are very thankful for their support and generosity. As way of a reminder, your child will need:

Come to school wearing:

- White t-shirt (complimentary)
- Old shorts or joggers or leggings
- Trainers

Bring to school in named plastic bag:

- Sunglasses or goggles
- Change of clothes and footwear (this does not have to be school uniform)
- Small towel (to wipe off excess)



The forecast remains good, so we are hoping that this will be a really fun way to end Sports Week and to a successful bring the half term to a close. Thank you to all those involved in organising it.

CLASS 2 STAFFING UPDATE

After Mrs McGar qualified as a teacher 2 years ago, she has been employed in a teaching position in Class 2 every afternoon, sharing the class responsibilities with Mrs Taylor who is the Class 2 teacher every morning. Understandably, Mrs McGar's preference is a full-time teaching post, which is what she deserves. She has very recently successfully secured a teaching post at a school in Penwortham. She takes up this post in September 2025. Naturally, when the times comes, she leaves with all our best wishes and thanks for her years of dedication to St. Chad's. She is very sad to leave St Chad's, but she deserves the opportunity to further pursue her teaching career in a full-time permanent capacity.

We are taking this opportunity to slightly adjust the structure of the teaching positions in Class 2 from September. In short, Mrs Taylor will teach for 3 full days, sharing with another teacher who will teach the other 2 days. As such, this post is now being advertised on the Lancashire Teaching Vacancies website. This will offer us extra stability and consistency and maximise the skills of both teachers. We are in a strong position to attract an excellent, skilled and caring teacher and will keep you updated once the post is filled.

SPRING / SUMMER 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 23 rd May	1:00-3:00pm	Colour Run
	3:15pm	Break up for half term
Thursday 5 th June	-	Y3-5 Anderton Centre Trip
	9:15am	Class 5 Mass
Friday 6 th June	9:30am	Music Concert
Sunday 8 th June	9:15am	Sacramental Session 4 (Pentecost)
10 th – 13 th June	-	Hothersall Lodge Trip (Y6)
Thursday 12 th June	2:00pm	Good Shepherd Mass - Leyland (Y5)
Sunday 15 th June	9:15am	Sacramental Session 5 (Father's Day)
16 th – 18 th June	-	Reception Road Safety Course
Thursday 19 th June	9:15am	Class 3 Mass
	6:15-8:00pm	Thomas Martland Maths Competition (Holy Cross)
Saturday 21 st June	11:00am	First Holy Communion
Wednesday 25 th June	7:00-9:00pm	Swimming Gala
Thursday 26 th June	9:15am	Class 2 Mass
Friday 27 th June	2:30pm	Class 1 'Celebration of the Word' for parents
Monday 30 th June	-	Y4 Communicants Celebration Day
Wednesday 2 nd July	-	New Classes Sample Day (& High School)
Thursday 3 rd July	9:15am	Class 1 Mass (with Buddies)
Friday 4 th July	-	Year 6 Retreat Day at St Joseph's
Tuesday 15 th July	6:00pm	Year 6 Celebration Evening
Monday 7 th July	-	Infant Trip to Mrs Dowson's Farm
Thursday 17 th July	9:30am	Final Assembly (all invited)
Monday 21 st July	9:30am	Whole School Mass of Thanksgiving
	3:15pm	Art Gallery (change of date)
Tuesday 22 nd July	2:15pm	School Closes for Summer

MUSIC CONCERT

The school choir, children who receive music tuition in school and children who learn an instrument outside of school, have been invited to perform for their parents and families on Friday 6th June at 9.30 a.m. This is a great opportunity for the children to play in front of a live audience and we wish them all good luck! Thank you to Jonathan and Mrs Strickland for supporting this event.



SCHOOL DINNERS

We have been informed that our catering contractor, Lancashire Catering Service, are unfortunately having to put up their prices for junior meals from £2.70 to £2.90. This was put in place at short notice a few weeks ago, so we have absorbed the cost until half term to help families. It remains excellent value, given the number of choices each day, good portion size and dessert offers. Kate, our cook, ensures that dinners are tasty, well-presented and tries her best to accommodate differing preferences. It certainly remains better value and more nutritious than a happy meal.

JOB VACANCY - SITE SUPERVISOR

This vacancy is advertised on the [LCC website](#). [Details can also be read on the school website](#). Please share with anyone that you think might be interested.

FAMILY TREASURE HUNT - SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY 5TH JULY

Full details of this exciting and wholesome family event to follow after half term.

REMINDERS FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS...

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

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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.