



St. Chad's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



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OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Children in the juniors who own rosary beads are invited to bring them into school during this month. Classes will learn to pray a decade of the rosary in their class collective worships. We will provide rosary beads for infants to use. Each class has also been presented with a beautiful set of rosary beads as a gift from my trip to the Vatican.



TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPH PROOFS



Please look out for photograph proofs in school bags today or tomorrow. The proof gives full instructions on how to order online using the QR code on the proof or by visiting www.tempset-orders.co.uk and entering the unique Reference Number under the barcode of each photograph proof.

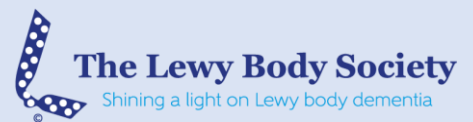
CALLING ALL AVAILABLE PARENTS - PTA MEETING

We are holding our first PTA meeting of the year on **Wednesday 22nd October at 7:00pm in school**. We welcome any parents to help generate ideas and begin planning this year's community events, which will also raise much-needed funds for the school. There is no obligation to commit to anything and parents are free to offer as much or as little time as is manageable. If you can join us, please just enter through the main entrance. Many thanks again and we look forward to seeing those who can make it.



THANK YOU FROM MRS COYLE

A huge well done to our very own Mrs Coyle who ran the West Coast Half Marathon on Sunday in memory of her sister Zoie, whilst raising money for The Lewy Body Society. Mrs Coyle has asked us to thank Parents and staff for their generous support and donations which has helped raise **over £800!**



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS DAY



Thank you to everyone who played a part in making this morning's assembly and coffee morning a huge success. The children in Class 4 led a wonderful assembly to help us to understand some of the injustices in world trade and, more importantly, what we can do to make the world a fairer and more sustainable place to live.

Staff then hosted a coffee morning, with voluntary donations offered for CAFOD. Thank you to the parents and children for the many delicious cake contributions. **We have some cakes left, so Class 4 will be open after school to sell these final tasty treats. Please pop in and grab yourself a bonus cake! Voluntary donations welcomed.** We will communicate the final total raised next week but it is already over £400!



CHORLEY HELP THE HOMELESS FOODBANK COLLECTION



Thank you also for your contributions towards Chorley Help the Homeless. These help us to play our part towards 'Sustainable Development Goal 2: No Hunger'. **The last day for donations is tomorrow so donations can still be dropped off in the school entrance tomorrow morning.** Representatives from our School Council will then deliver these to the food bank in Chorley. Thank you again for bringing strength and a sense of togetherness to our community, and for showing solidarity with those less fortunate.

AUTUMN DISCO!

We will be holding an Autumn Disco after school on **Thursday 6th November 3:15pm to 4:45pm**. The cost remains at the reduced rate of £3 per child or £5 for a family. To sign up for your child(ren) to attend, please use the new item which has been added to ParentPay, but in order for us monitor the number of children attending, **please make a separate payment for each child who wishes to attend:**



- Please pay £3 for your oldest or only child
- Please pay £2 for your second child
- If you have 3 children in school who wish to attend, please pay £3 for your oldest child and £1 for each of your other 2 children.

This will help us keep track of the number of children attending so that we can ensure we have enough food and drink and supervisors on the night. Children will be dismissed to the back playground, as at the end of the day, as usual. If you wish to collect your child earlier, please use the main entrance and ring the doorbell. Children may wear non-uniform for the day, but please wear footwear that children can run around in at playtime. Many thanks!

SPECIAL LUNCH DAYS

BONFIRE NIGHT LUNCH

We will be offering our Bonfire night lunch on **Wednesday 5th November**. The menu will be:

Fawkes Fire Cracking Hot Dog

Or

Fizz Popping Pizza Pocket with Smokey Ridge Fries & Veg or Beans

Followed by

Sparkler Tray Bake or Jelly



LANCASHIRE DAY LUNCH

We will be offering our Lancashire Day lunch on **Thursday 27th November**. The menu will be:

Red Rose Corned Beef Hash with Crusty Bread

Or

Lancashire Cheese & Potato Pie with Peas or Beans

Followed by

Toffee Cupcake or Jelly & Ice Cream



These menus will be available to the whole school on these days. If your child does not normally have a school lunch on a these days but wish to take part, please ask for your child to be added to the list by emailing Mrs Southworth at k.southworth@stchads.lancs.sch.uk. Children who normally have a school lunch on these days do not need to reply, they will choose from the menu on the day as usual. Payment for these lunches should be made via the Pupil School Meal payment item on ParentPay for children who are in KS2 (unless entitled to Free School Meals).

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Please look out for the latest Scholastic Book Club leaflets in school bags this week.

Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-chads-pr6/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club,



our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards. **Please place any orders online by the end of today, Thursday 16th October.**

NASAL FLU VACCINES – CONSENT DEADLINE EXTENDED

The Intrahealth Immunisation team will be coming into school on **Thursday 13th November** to administer the nasal flu vaccine to those who have consented online. The link to the online consent form has been extended until this Sunday 19th October if you haven't already consented and would like your child to be immunised.

<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/14cca6d>



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 on 'SUBSCRIBE' and follow the instructions for your device.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
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)
Wednesday 22 nd October	7:00pm	PTA Annual General Meeting
Thursday 23 rd October	3:15pm	School closes for half term
Monday 3 rd November	9:00am	School reopens
Wednesday 5 th November	-	Bonfire Night Lunch
Thursday 6 th November	9:15am	Class 5 Mass
	3.15-4.45pm	Autumn Disco
Monday 10 th November	-	Reception Vision Screening
Monday 10 th / Tuesday 11 th November	-	Year 6 Bikeability Course
Thursday 13 th November	9:15am	Class 4 Mass
	-	Flu vaccinations
	4:00pm	Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics
Tuesday 18 th November	-	Infant Trip (TBC)
Thursday 20 th November	9:15am	Class 3 Mass
Thursday 27 th November	-	Lancashire Day Lunch
Monday 1 st December	9:30am	Advent Mass in School Hall
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

REMINDERS FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS

CAN YOU HELP?



Mrs Ingham and the Eco Council are looking to improve the resources we currently use in our Forest School sessions so are looking for donations towards the mud kitchen, i.e. any old pans or baking trays that are being thrown out would come in handy, along with any surplus watering cans and hand tools (trowels, spades, rakes) which may be sitting in sheds! Donations can be dropped off in the pavilion.

Also, if anyone knows any tree surgeons who have wood chippings they'd be able to deliver to school to help the really boggy areas be safe to use during the Autumn Forest School sessions, please get in touch.



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/7FigE3CwET>

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.

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LITTLE CHURCH

All our children are invited to come along to St Chad's Church for Sunday Mass at 9:15am, where they are welcome to join in the Children's Liturgy at "Little Church". This is a lovely way for children to understand and engage with Mass, whilst making friends and nurturing their faith. What a beautiful gift!



FABULOUS COMEDY NIGHT - TICKETS ON SALE AT SCHOOL OFFICE

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. Tickets £15, doors open 7pm. Tickets available from church or school office.



EASYFUNDRAISING – FREE £2 FOR OUR PTA IF YOU REGISTER BY THE END OF OCTOBER

The easiest way to support our PTA is to sign up to easyfundraising! It's simple, shop with 8,000+ online retailers and our PTA will receive a free donation. **This month only, with their Free £2 App-eal, if you register to support us via their app, they'll get £2, plus when 10+ of you register they will unlock more bonus funding!** Get the app now and choose to support St Chads PTA Fund, Whittle-Le-Woods once installed:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=app-fb-1

<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.

