



St. Chad's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



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Thursday 19th March 2026

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

HEADLINES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

Saturday 21st March: Cross-Country Competition at Astley Park

Wednesday 25th March: Forest School kit (Year 4 & Class 2)

Wednesday 25th March: 6:30pm Reconciliation Service (Year 4 sacramental programme children)

Thursday 26th March: 9:30am Easter Passion Assembly in school hall (all welcome)

Friday 27th March: Legs for Lent (see details below)

Friday 27th March: 2:15pm School closes for Easter

PARISH NOTICE – FAMILY BINGO & GAMES...

... this Sunday the 22nd March in the parish centre after 9:15am Mass.

EASTER PASSION ASSEMBLY

All are welcome to join our Easter Assembly on **Thursday 26th March at 9:30am**. The children will lead us in song, narration and drama to retell and reflect on the Easter Passion Story. Please use the back doors to the main hall any time after drop-off.

EASTER BINGO

Thank you very much for your donations and helping it to be a fun evening! We raised **£600** for PTA funds, which will be spent on enriching your children's experiences of school. Many thanks!



LENTEN CHARITY FUNDRAISING – NUGENT CARE (GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL)

One of our Christian duties during Lent is to 'give alms', so we have arranged our usual 'Legs for Lent' day on the last day of term, **Friday 27th March**. Children are invited to wear wacky legwear, with the top half being normal school uniform. We kindly ask for a donation to our Lenten charities using the "Legs for Lent" payment item in ParentPay. Suggested minimum donation of £1 per child, however, you can pay more if you are able to. Many thanks for your support.

To make use of their wacky legs, and as a thank you for supporting Miss Gillibrand's marathon fundraising, she will be doing some fun 'marathon kids' activities during the day. More details to follow.

For more information about Nugent Care visit : <https://wearenugent.org/>



UPDATE: PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL BUILDING FUND (LEVY)

Thank you to those who have renewed / joined the 200 Club or paid the £10 school levy.

We still have a shortfall of £711 to enable us to pay to the Archdiocese School Building Fund (Levy), which equates to 47 subscriptions. If any more families can manage the £15 annual subscription to the 200 Club or pay the £10 levy, it would really help your school. You never know, you might win more than that back in prize money. Subscriptions are paid via ParentPay and **the first draw of the new year takes place next week!**

MISS GILLIBRAND'S MARATHON FUNDRAISING

The school community has shown fantastic support for our Marathon Fundraiser so far. There is still plenty of time to get involved, raffle tickets will be on sale for a few more days, with the final day for tickets to be brought into school on **Tuesday 24th March**. The raffle will be drawn on **Wednesday 25th March**, and the lucky winners will be announced in the **newsletter on Thursday 26th March**. Our **Silent Auction** also has some fantastic prizes available, with several items still receiving no bids or only small bids so far. If you have had your eye on something, now is the perfect time to bag a bargain! The auction will close at **6pm on Friday 20th March**, so be sure to get your bids in before the deadline. Thank you again for your continued support.

Raffle Prizes include:	Silent Auction Items:
Gel polish voucher	£200 voucher for Small Group PTs at Gymnasium.
Tearoom voucher	Bentley Chauffer service.
Dressers Arms voucher	Northcote Lunch meal for 2
Rebel Voucher	Botox voucher for 3 areas, worth £240
Nigel Clare Voucher	Microblading voucher with LB brows (whittle) worth £100
Fitbox vouchers	Celestial Head spa Voucher
Raw and Outdoor Voucher	Reflection Voucher worth £50
Sweet Hamper	Full Face of make up including lashes worth £45
Chocolate Hamper	A piece of artwork of your choice from http://iandawberart.com/ Worth £90
Prosecco	Liberty Bluff Voucher worth £80
And much more!!	

Go fund me link is <https://gofund.me/84ee7856d>

Miss Gillibrand would like to thank everyone for their contributions and kind well wishes, with just 4 weeks to go, she appreciates all of your kind words and encouragement.

NEW! HEAPEY MOOR RAINBOWS AT ST. CHAD'S



Rainbows (4 – 7 years) will be opening in St. Chad's School Hall on Tuesday evenings (term time only) from 21st April 2026 - 5.45pm till 6.45 pm.

See attached flyer with information also about Brownies (7 - 10 years), Guides (10 – 14 years) and Rangers (14 – 18 years) and how to find meetings in the area.

In case you didn't already know, Guides already meet in school on Thursday evenings.

WEDNESDAY WORD

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

LITTLE CHURCH IN LENT

Children are always welcome to come along to St Chad's Church for Sunday Mass at 9:15am, where they are invited 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!

WHAT'S YOUR STORY, CHORLEY?



A month-long celebration of storytelling for all to enjoy! What's Your Story, Chorley? is back for the whole of March 2026 with a great line up of events. From family activities, comedy, workshops, comic con, literature, poetry, and so much more, there'll be something for everyone across a variety of events taking place this March. For more information and to see what is on offer throughout March visit:

[What's Your Story, Chorley? 2026 – Check Out Chorley](#)

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](#). Click on 'SUBSCRIBE' and follow the instructions for your device.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Saturday 21 st March	TBC	Cross Country Competition at Astley Park
Sunday 22 nd March	9:15am	Sacramental Session 3
Monday 23 rd March	-	Reception and Year 6 Health checks in school – see letters sent by email with more information
Monday 23 rd – Wednesday 25 th March	-	Year 1 Road Safety Course
Wednesday 25 th March	6:30pm	Service of Reconciliation (Year 4)
Thursday 26 th March	9:30am	Easter Assembly in school hall (parents invited)
Friday 27 th March	-	Easter Lunch
	-	Legs for Lent
	2:15pm	School Closes for Easter
Monday 13 th April	-	School reopens for the summer term
Sunday 19 th April	11:00am	Miss Gillibrand's Marathon

REMINDERS FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS

REMINDER: END OF TERM SCHOOL CLOSURE TIMES

As usual, at the end of term (Friday 27th March) school closes at 2:15pm and there will be no After School Club. Thank you.

EASTER LUNCH

We will be offering an Easter themed lunch on **Friday 27th March**. The menu will be:

Chicken Burger or Cheese & Onion Lattice Slice (v)
With Potato Footballs & Veg or Beans

Or

Jacket Potato with choice of filling
Followed by Easter Treat Dessert



This menu will be available to the whole school. If your child does not normally have a school lunch on this day but wishes 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 this day do not need to reply. 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)

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.

