



Lancaster Christ Church Church of England Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter

09.01.2026

Have Faith... In yourself... In others... In God.

Welcome back!

We have had a busy start to the Spring term and are delighted to welcome back all of our children and families.



This week children in Years 1, 3 & 4 have enjoyed a visit from Hannah, the Careers and Apprenticeships Team Project Co-ordinator from Morecambe Bay NHS Trust. Hannah led a session for Year 1 on 'People who help us', whilst Years 3 & 4 took part in a play depicting the many roles involved in caring for someone who is injured. Thank you, Hannah!

PE Days: Spring 1 2026

Reception: Mon & Friday **Year 1:** Mon & Wednesday

Year 2: Wed & Friday **Year 3:** Thurs & Friday

Year 4: Wed (swimming) & Friday

Year 5: Mon & Thursday **Year 6:** Tue & Thursday

All children must wear school PE kit on PE days.

School PE comprises:

A zip up school hoodie, a house coloured t-shirt,

Plain black or navy shorts, joggers or leggings and trainers.



Jewellery of any kind is not permitted for PE and long hair must be tied back.



Spring Term Parents Evenings

3.30pm - 5pm: Tuesday 24th March
(Years R, 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6)

3.30pm - 7pm: Wednesday 25th March (all years)

3.30pm - 5pm: Thursday 26th March (Year 5)

Appointments can be booked from 12 noon on Monday 16th March using the School Cloud App:

<http://christchurchlancaster.schoolcloud.co.uk/>



School Worship



This half term, our Collective Worship will focus on the value of **Courage**:

"Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go"

Joshua 1:9

This week our theme was 'Courage is rooted in faith'. On Monday, we thought about what courage is and when we might need to be courageous, and on Tuesday, Rev'd Carol led our Worship which was focussed on Epiphany and the courage of the Wise



After School Clubs

The following clubs will run for the first half of the Spring term.

Places should be directly using Parent Pay.

Monday (3.15 - 4pm): Multi Sports with Miss Fish. Years 2 - 6 (max 16 children).

Football will run on a Wednesday. Places can be booked directly via Mr Lofthouse.

Lancaster Music Centre will continue to run at Lancaster Christ Church from **3.45pm** on a **Thursday**. Further details are available here:

<https://www.lancashiremusicclub.co.uk/site/get-involved/lancaster-music-centre-2/>

Friday (3.15 - 4pm): Girls Football with Miss Fish. Years 2 - 6 (max 16 children). *Please note that there will be no session on 16.01.2026.*

Christ Church are committed to ensuring that finance does not become a barrier to participation in Sport. If your child would like to take part but you would require financial support, please speak to Miss Simpson.

Save the Date!!



Our annual **Dance Showcase** will be held on **Friday 13th February 2026.**

We are *living our vision!*

Work of the week:

Congratulations to the children whose work was celebrated this week:

Rec: **Ruby:** Maths

Year 1: **Olivia:** English

Year 2: **Veronica:** English

Year 3: **Ewan:** English

Year 4: **Alicia:** RE

Year 5: **Reham:** Art

Year 6: **Ruairi:** Maths

Peer awards:

The following children have been recognised by their peers this week:

Orla (Y6), Seb Mc (Y3)

Achievements out of school:

Congratulations to the children whose achievements outside of school were celebrated this week:

Arthur (Y2): Beavers badges

Hughie (Y3): Swimming award

Izzy (Y3): Swimming award

Henry (Y5): Football award

Hazel (Y3): Football & swimming awards

We are so proud of you all!

Luke 1:37



Year 5/6 Girls Handball

Congratulations to the Year 5 & 6 girls who volunteered to take part in the Handball Workshop at Lancaster and Morecambe College on Thursday. The girls did really well, learning the rules and participating in some friendly matches.

Congratulations!

The following children have been celebrated in assembly this week:

Rec: Elliott Isaac

Year 1: Lillie Ada S

Year 2: Amelia Rowan

Year 3: Ethan Nina

Year 4: Ruairi Joseph

Year 5: Toby Lily S

Year 6: Arya Lucas

House Team of the Week

The winner of the House Cup this was...



Ashton

Congratulations!

Writing competition

Congratulations to **Olive, Nancy, Isobel, Matilda, Jack, Henry, Noah, Disal, Tobi** and **Lily** in Year 5 who each received a 'Talent for Writing' certificate for taking part in the 2026 Young Writers competition. Their writing will now be published in a Young Writers Anthology.



We are so proud of you all!

Upcoming sporting events

- * **Thursday 15th Jan:** Y5 / 6 Mixed Handball
- * **Friday 16th Jan:** Y5 / 6 Girls Football Finals
- * **Tuesday 20th Jan:** Y6 Athletics
- * **Thursday 22nd Jan:** Y5 / 6 Girls Handball
- * **Thursday 29th Jan:** Y5 / 6 Mixed Handball

Christ Church, Lancaster

A vibrant, inclusive, worshipping community

You're warmly invited to join us for:



Services this Sunday:

8.30am Holy Communion (*said service*)
10.30am All Together Eucharist
6pm Evening Prayer



Midweek services:
Wednesday 5.30pm Meditation and
6pm Evening Prayer
Friday 9.30am Eucharist

Do you have admin skills?
Are you looking for a 14h/week paid post?

If so, Christ Church are looking for a Parish Administrator to support Rev'd Carol and the church with admin and comms.

For an informal chat, please contact Rev'd Carol
More details, and the application form are available at:
<https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/general-vacancies>
Deadline: 16th January

A VIBRANT, INCLUSIVE, WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY

CHRIST CHURCH LANCASTER YOUTH GROUP

YEAR 6 UPWARDS
FORTNIGHTLY ON FRIDAYS 3.30 - 5PM

STARTS FRIDAY 30TH JANUARY IN THE CHURCH HALL, WYRESDALE ROAD

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT INNES AT YOUTHMINISTER.CHURCH@GMAIL.COM

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN THE

LITTLE SEEDLINGS

A stay and play baby and toddler group
9-10.30am every Tuesday

CHRIST CHURCH HALL, WYRESDALE RD, LANCASTER LA1 3EA

9-10AM: STAY AND PLAY
10-10.30AM: SINGING, SNACKS AND STORIES
No cost, but donations welcome

ALL ARE WELCOME!
A warm, welcoming, inclusive space with pram/ coffee and chat for grown ups.

Fram and wheelchair accessible with changing facilities.
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FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT REV'D CAROL OR JOPPA WHEAT

Christ Church, Lancaster

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Bible stories, prayer, faith, and fun for primary-age children!

MEETING DURING THE 10.30AM SERVICE SUNDAYS IN TERM-TIME

MORE INFO

Please contact Innes (Children's Ministry Leader) 07853 791776
ckildren@christchurchlancaster.org.uk

Fun Stories
Food Crafts
KS1 & 2

Messy Church

Next meets in the Church Hall at 4pm on the:

4th Sunday of each month

Facebook @ChristChurchLancaster www.christchurchlancaster.org.uk
Wyresdale Road, Lancaster, LA1 3EA
More details please contact Innes (Children's Ministry Leader) 07853 791776 ckildren@christchurchlancaster.org.uk

YOU'RE INVITED TO A

Class Reunion Party

Join us for a special reunion of the Christ Church Primary Class of 2025
Saturday 24th January 12-3 p.m.

Christ Church, church Hall, Wyresdale Road
Food, Fun, Music and a chance to catch up!

Contact Innes for details
youthminister.christchurch@gmail.com

See you there!

For enquiries about Christenings, Weddings and Funerals; and for pastoral and faith support, please contact:
Rev'd Carol Backhouse
Vicar, Christ Church, Lancaster
revcarolbackhouse@gmail.com. 07857 449724

Our Prayer for this week:
Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen



Key dates for your diary:

[Term dates](#) for the 2025 - 2026 academic year are available to view on our school website

Monday 12th January 2026: Reception heights and weights (School Nursing Team)

Monday 12th January 2026: Biscuit sale (**Children may bring 20p to buy a biscuit**)

Thursday 15th January 2026: Year 5 / 6 Mixed Handball @LMC

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Monday 2nd - Thursday 5th February 2026: Book Fair

Friday 6th February 2026: Eucharist Service in school

Friday 13th February 2026: Whole school Dance Showcase

Friday 13th February 2026: School closes for Half Term

Monday 23rd February 2026: School reopens

Tuesday 3rd March 2026: Choir Church Festival @ Blackburn Cathedral

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Tuesday 24th March 2026: 3.30pm - 5pm: Parents Evening (Rec, Years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6)

Wednesday 25th March 2026: 3.30pm - 7pm: Parents Evening (all year groups)

Thursday 26th March 2026: 3.30pm - 5pm: Parents Evening (Year 5)

Friday 27th March 2026: School closes for Easter

Monday 13th April 2026: School reopens

Monday 4th May 2026: May Day Bank Holiday

Thursday 7th May 2026: INSET day

Friday 22nd May 2026: School closes for half term



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Join us for a special reunion of
the Christ Church Primary
Class of 2025
Saturday 24th January 12-3
p.m.

Christ Church, church Hall
Wyresdale Road
Food, Fun, Music and a chance
to catch up!

Contact Innes for details
youthminister.christchurch@gmail.com

See you
there!



LANCASTER



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Join us for a service of reflective
worship with scripture, prayer,
silence and chant.



6.30pm, Wednesday 21st January

**@ The Cornerstone,
Sulyard Street,
Lancaster**



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YOUNG PEOPLE OF LANCASTER AND MORECAMBE

AT LANCASTER MUSIC CENTRE, WE'VE HEARD THAT YOU ARE AMAZING AT PLAYING YOUR INSTRUMENT



Crossbows

SO WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO AN HOURS FREE, FUN WORKSHOP

22ND JANUARY 4.15PM - 5.15PM

FINISHING WITH A PERFORMANCE FOR GROWN UPS

@ CHRISTCHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Scan to
register



or email

helen.bowden@lancashire.gov.uk



Lancashire
Music Hub

FULLY OFSTED
REGISTERED ACHIEVING
STRONG & EFFECTIVE
STANDARDS-NOV 25



FEBRUARY HALF TERM PLAYSCHEME

WELCOMING CHILDREN FROM ALL SCHOOLS AGED
3 - 12 YEARS
OPEN 8AM TILL 6PM

- 16TH - GAMES' CHARACTER & CONSTRUCTION CHALLENGE
- 17TH - EXOTIC ZOO ANIMALS, CAPYBARAS, AXOLOTLS
- 18TH - MINI MASTER CHEF-WINTER WARMER COOKING
- 19TH - WINTER PAINTS & CRAFTS
- 20TH - SPORTS, GAMES & FILM AFTERNOON



OUR FULL PROGRAMME DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE TO READ ONLINE
VIA THE PARENT IPAL ACCOUNT

OUR STAFF AND SUPPORT:

QUALIFIED STAFF IN EARLY YEARS, TEACHING & YOUTH WORK
YOU CAN BE REASSURED YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE WELL LOOKED AFTER
AND HAVE A GREAT TIME IN OUR CARE
PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US FOR A PRE-VISIT
WE HAVE AN EXCELLENT PRE-SCHOOL ROOM AND AGE-APPROPRIATE ZONES

FULL DAY: £27
HALF DAY: £16
BREAKFAST: £3
PRE-SCHOOL FEES
APPLY OR FUNDED



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