



Lancaster Christ Church Church of England Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter

17.10.2025

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

Admission Arrangements: Consultation

We are currently consulting on our admission arrangements for 2027.

Proposed admission arrangements can be found [here](#) on the school website, alongside details of who to contact, should you have any comments to make about the proposed arrangements.

Autumn Term Parents Evenings

3.30pm - 5pm: Tuesday 11th November (Years R, 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6)

3.30pm - 7pm: Wednesday 12th November (all years)

3.30pm - 5pm: Thursday 13th November (Year 5)

Details of how to book will be shared via email at the end of this half term.

Meetings will be held in person.



Your Friends Need You!

Lancaster Christ Church are incredibly grateful for the support of our wonderful school Friends, who raise much needed funds to enable to continued development of our school and it's curriculum opportunities.

We really couldn't do without them, however the Friends are currently without a Treasurer and desperately need your help!

Please contact Sarah if you are interested in taking on this rewarding post:

friends@christchurch-lancaster.lancs.sch.uk

The Friends are always in need of committee members as well as volunteers who can commit to supporting particular events throughout the school year. Please contact Sarah if you could offer some much needed support to our wonderful Friends.

School Worship



This half term, our Collective Worship will focus on the value of **Generosity**.

"Some people give much but get back even more. But others don't give what they should, and they end up poor. A person who gives to others will get richer. Whoever helps others will himself be helped."

Proverbs 11: 24-25

Our theme this week was: *Give to bless, not to impress*. We focused on the teachings of Matthew 6: *"Be careful! When you do good things, don't do them in front of people to be seen by them. If you do that, then you will have no reward from your Father in heaven,"* and heard the story of The Widows Coin, which Jesus used to teach the disciples that it is not the amount of money given which is important, but rather the sacrifice made in the offering.



Choir Church Eucharist

It was fantastic to welcome so many children and families to our Eucharist service after school today. Children from Choir Church did a brilliant job of leading the Service, alongside Rev'd Carol, and the singing was absolutely beautiful - huge thanks to Jayne, our Choral Director.

Our next Eucharist is on **Friday 12th December** at **3.15pm** in the school hall. **All welcome!**

www.christchurch-lancaster.lancs.sch.uk/choir-church/

We are *living our vision!*

Achievements out of school:

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

George (Y1): Swimming award

Hannah (Y2): Dance award

Tom (Y3): Football award

Ivie (Y3): Swimming awards

Georgia (Y3): Guides badge

Olive (Y5): Dance award

We are so proud of you all!

Congratulations Bruce!

Congratulations to Bruce in Year 5 who won Player of the Match for Bowerham Under 10s this week.

We are so proud of you!



Lancashire Fire and Rescue

Huge thanks to Lancashire Fire and Rescue who visited school today to run the 'ChildSafe'

programme for our Year 2 children, and the

'RoadSense' programme for Year 6.

For information about these programmes, please

visit: <https://www.lancsfireandrescue.org.uk/>

[education/primary](https://www.lancsfireandrescue.org.uk/education/primary)



Luke 1:37



Bikeability

Congratulations to our Year 6 children who have completed their Bikeability training with GoVelo this week. All children have learnt how to:

Prepare themselves for a journey

Check the cycle is ready for a journey

Set off, pedal, slow down and stop

With some children also progressing to Level 2, which includes learning how to:

Cycle safely and responsibly

Identify and respond to hazards

Start and stop on-road journeys

Maintain suitable riding positions

Share the road with others and communicate with other road users

Comply with signals, signs and road markings

Manage risk when cycling



Life Education Visits

This week, we welcomed Katy from Coram Life Education back into school for our annual Life Education Workshops. Coram are the providers of SCARF, which is the scheme that we use for teaching PHSE across school.

More information about Coram and SCARF can be

found on their website: [https://](https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/family-scarf)

www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/family-scarf or on our

school website: [https://www.christchurch-](https://www.christchurch-lancaster.lancs.sch.uk/pshe-rse/)

[lancaster.lancs.sch.uk/pshe-rse/](https://www.christchurch-lancaster.lancs.sch.uk/pshe-rse/).

Reminder: INSET DAY

Just a reminder that school will be closed to all children on **Friday 5th December** for INSET.



School Photographs

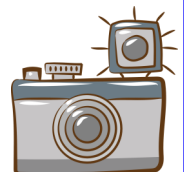
Just a reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** of school photographs is **Sunday 26th October 2025**.

Order through the Tempest website using

your unique link or visit:

www.tempest-orders.co.uk.

For assistant, contact: 01736 751555.



Secondary School Applications

Just a reminder that the closing date for Secondary School Applications for current Year 6 children is **31st October 2025**.

Applications should be made online via the [Lancashire County Council School Admissions](https://www.lancashire-county-council.gov.uk/school-admissions) webpage.

A message from The Friends of Miss Whalley's Field:

Gregson Festival Group are busy organising two events.

1 - Halloween - Friday 31st October. All ages, but ideal for 12 years and under.

Spooky fun and games brought to you by the Gregson Festival Group. This event is a community favourite and is always popular. The Hall is full of different games for you to try out. All the games are low cost and great fun. Please bring change with you. Fancy dress is very much encouraged! There's no need to book – just turn up on the day and you can turn up anytime. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. More info TBA.

Looking for a more grown up halloween? Join Fear Boots for their club night, later this evening. [Click here for more info.](#)

2 - GFGs wonderful Bonfire & Firework Display Wed 5th November on Miss Whalley's Field. For more information go to:- <https://gregson.co.uk/event/bonfire-and-firework-display/>

A very important reminder about more volunteers to help make this event a success:-

The event could not take place without the help and support from Volunteers. Without volunteers, the event wouldn't happen. **Can you lend a hand?**

Set up volunteers to build the bonfire and prepare the site on the day.

Stewards to help steward the parade from the Gregson and on Miss Whalley's Fields for the firework and bonfire. Also, help ensure everyone leaves the field safely. You'll get a full safety briefing from the event organisers.

Clear up on Thursday 6th Nov which is an equally important job to make sure Miss Whalley's Field is safe and rubbish free after the event. You'll need to be available on Thursday 6th November.

If you're interested & can help any of these times, please email:

gregsonfestivalgroup@aol.com

A message from Lilbeatz, Lancaster:

Get ready for a *spook-tacular* celebration!

We're thrilled to invite you to **The Halloween Dance Party 2025** — a fun, safe, and energetic event designed just for kids! This is more than just a dance party — it's a chance for children to dress up, show off their best moves, and enjoy an unforgettable Halloween experience with their friends.

Event Highlights:

- Costume parade with prizes for creativity
 - Dance challenges & spooky games
 - Refreshments & treats provided
- Safe, supervised environment for all ages

Date: Saturday 25th October 2025
Location: Skerton Community centre
Time: 1:30pm-3:00pm



Key dates for your diary:

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

Tuesday 21st October 2025: Year 3 Visit to Leighton Hall

Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th October 2025: Year 5 Young Leaders Training

Friday 24th October 2025: School closes for half term

Monday 3rd November 2025: School reopens

Wednesday 5th November 2025: Rock Band Assembly

Tuesday 11th November 2025: Year 5/6 Remembrance Service at Miss Whalley's Field

Tuesday 11th November 2025: 3.30pm - 5pm: Parents Evening (Rec, Years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6)

Wednesday 12th November 2025: Year 2 Visit to Lancaster Castle

Wednesday 12th November 2025: 3.30pm - 7pm: Parents Evening (all year groups)

Thursday 13th November 2025: 3.30pm - 5pm: Parents Evening (Year 5)

Wednesday 19th November - Friday 21st November 2025: Year 6 Residential

Friday 5th December 2025: INSET Day

Tuesday 9th December 2025: 2pm & 5.30pm: FS/KS1 Nativity

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Friday 12th December 2025: Choir Church Eucharist Service in school

Friday 19th December 2025: Last day of Autumn term

Monday 5th January 2026: School reopens for Spring term

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 Parish Eucharist with Children's Church
6pm Evening Prayer



Midweek services:

Wednesday 5.30pm Meditation
Wednesday 6pm Evening Prayer
Friday 9.30am Holy Communion

Confirmation Group for Year 6 meets on Wednesday lunchtimes with Rev Carol and Innes.

If your child would like to attend, please send the permission slip back to Miss Fish. The Confirmation Service will be on Sunday 23rd November at 10.30am at Christ Church

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PULIFUNIE di CORSICA



Workshops and concerts of beautiful polyphonic songs from Corsica, performed by acclaimed masters of the tradition.

UK-wide tour and residential weekend, during October 2025.

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THURSDAY 16 LONDON

FRIDAY 17- SUNDAY 19 ALLON ABBEY, DORSET

SUNDAY 19 ASHBURTON

MONDAY 20 STROUD

TUESDAY 21 BRISTOL

WEDNESDAY 22 OXFORD

THURSDAY 23 MANCHESTER

FRIDAY 24 LANCASTER

SATURDAY 25 MUSSEPOT FESTIVAL, WYBEP

SUNDAY 26 GLASGOW



Messy Church

Fun, Stories, Food, Crafts, KS1&2

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 3BA
More details please contact Innes (Children's Ministry Leader)
01524 791716 | innes@christchurchlancaster.org.uk

ALL HALLOWS TIDE

A FUN, NON-SCARY FAMILY EVENT TO CELEBRATE THE CHANGING OF THE SEASONS, AND THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Saturday 1st of November 4-6.30pm
Christ Church Hall
Come as Knights, Dragons, Princesses and Saints
Prizes for best fancy dress
Create your own knights shield
Decorate a candle
Small bonfire with Marshmallow roasting
£1 entry and donations welcome

FOOD AND FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

For more info or to book a place, email innes.youthministry@christchurchlancaster.org.uk



LITTLE SEEDLINGS

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

CHRIST CHURCH HALL
WYRESDALE RD,
LANCASTER
LA1 3BA



9-10AM: STAY AND PLAY

10-10.30AM: SINGING, SHAKES AND STORIES

NO COST, but donations welcome

ALL ARE WELCOME!

A warm, welcoming, inclusive space with proper coffee and chat for grown ups

Pran and wheelchair accessible with changing facilities

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FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT REV'D KAARINA OPPIN 01524 791716

Do you run a local business, or work for a company in Lancaster?

If so, please consider sponsoring a Tree at Christ Church's Christmas Tree Festival - treefestival@christchurch.org.uk

A great way to share and celebrate your local community!



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:
God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



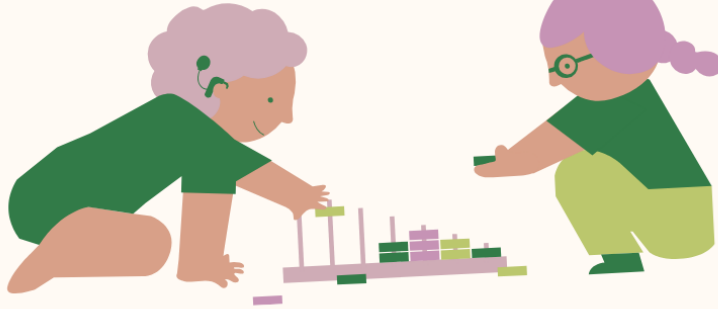
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Stories

Messy[®] Church

Food

Crafts

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youthminister.christchurch@gmail.com





**Quiz to celebrate
the 80th Anniversary of
Christian Aid
Lancaster Methodist Church**

Scotforth Road LA1 4TE

Fri Nov 14th at 7 pm

A general knowledge quiz for all ages.

(Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.)

Light refreshments. Donations to Christian Aid.

Come as a team or join one when you arrive.

Bring your friends – all welcome.

More info: Gill Burgess, Lancaster and area Christian Aid group:

07790 507326 gill.burgess@gmail.com

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Lancashire Teaching Hospitals
NHS Foundation Trust



IT'S BACK!

JINGLE BELL JOG

Sunday 30th November 2025
Arrive from 11am • Jog starts 12 noon

£3 per entry

£10 for a family of 4



Join us for a fancy dress, 1-mile toddle, walk, jog, or run around the UCLan running track at: UCLan Sports Arena, Tom Benson Way, Preston PR2 1SG

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DODGEBALL

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Dodgeball Birthday Parties are a fast, fun and friendly opportunity to spend time with your friends. Including a variety of dodgeball games all played to music!

All the parties are delivered by a qualified Dodgeball coach, working in local Primary Schools for 30+ years. I am CRB checked and insured.

VENUE - Slyne-with-Hest Memorial Hall

Please contact Scott to discuss alternative venue options

PARTY OPTIONS

Cost - £90 for up to 10 children - £5 for each additional child - both party options include free drinks for all the children and Memorial Hall venue hire.

OPTION 1:

2 hour Dodgeball Party with lots of different Dodgeball games and music!

OPTION 2:

1 hour 30 minutes of Dodgeball Party games and music plus 30 minutes use of the party room!

Minimum of 8 children required and a maximum of 28

Dodgeball parties are suitable for children aged 6+

If you would like to book or discuss a Dodgeball Birthday Party please contact Scott on 07434827757



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THE LITTLE COBBLED VILLAGE CHILDRENS ROLE PLAY



Step into a world built just for little imaginations! The Little Cobbled Village is a beautifully designed role play centre where children can explore, discover, and become anything they dream — from brave firefighters and busy builders to mini shopkeepers and chefs.

With thoughtfully crafted play zones, a welcoming on-site café, and a safe, stimulating environment, it's the perfect place for curious minds and growing confidence.

Role play is extremely fun and can bring the most introverted child out of their shell, it's about sharing great time with peers as well as siblings and parents in a safe space. Our aim here at The Little Cobbled Village is to provide a safe place for your little ones to explore, make memories and want to return time and time again!

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