



Lancaster Christ Church of England Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter

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

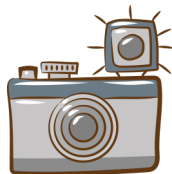
Reminder: INSET DAY

Just a reminder that school will be closed to all children on **Monday 29th September** for staff training.



School Photographs

The school photographer will be visiting on **Monday 6th October** to take photographs of individual children and siblings. Parents are welcome to bring pre-school school children to the school hall from 8.30am if they would like photographs to be taken with their school aged sibling(s).



Parking on Dalton and Derwent Roads

Please park responsibly in the streets around school, taking note of the measures that are in place to keep the children safe.

Parking on double yellow lines puts the safety of our children at risk.

Residents are increasingly reporting concerns around parking which blocks driveways and prevents access to properties, as well as cars with engines idling.

Please be considerate of our neighbours and the environment.



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.



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

This week our theme was 'The attitude of gratitude.' We heard the story of 'The Generous Widow' (Luke 21: 1 - 4) who, despite not having much, gave all that she could.

On Wednesday Rev'd Carol led our Worship based on 1 Chronicles 29: 1 - 13, where King David showed gratitude for God's goodness towards him by tasking his son, Solomon to build a temple where people could worship.

Packed Lunches

As we start the new school year, we would like to encourage parents to review children's packed



lunches to ensure that they contain a healthy balance of foods. There is some excellent guidance available at [Healthy lunch ideas - Healthier Families - NHS](#).

Important request regarding celebrations

Due to an increasing number of children with food allergies and intolerances, we kindly request that treats such as cake and sweets are no longer sent in for children to share on occasions such as birthdays. Children are very welcome to come to school in non-uniform on their birthday.



We really appreciate parents previous generosity and thank you for your understanding.

We are *living our vision!*

Work of the week:

Congratulations to the children whose work was celebrated this week:

Rec: **Hannah:** Art

Year 1: **Rory-Jay:** Art

Year 2: **Theo:** English

Year 3: **Clara:** English

Year 4: **Joseph:** Music

Year 5: **Nancy:** DT

Year 6: **Richard:** Science

Peer Awards:

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

Rowan (Y5)

Achievements out of school:

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

Albie (Rec): Swimming award

Seb R (Y3): Football award

Bella (Y2): Cycling award

Emiline (Y3): Reading award

Hughie (Y3): Football & Swimming awards

Nancy-May (Y3): Swimming award

Eli (Y3): Running award

Oliver (Y6): Cycling award

Luke 1:37

Message from The Friends of Miss Whalley's Field

Local contractors have started work to rebuild the collapsed stone wall on the bank of the River Midge, behind Borrowdale Rd. It is understood that the work will take around 6 months to complete.

Please avoid this area.

Congratulations!

The following children have been celebrated in assembly this week:

Rec: Rory Abdul Ahad

Year 1: Olive Olivia Ada S

Year 2: Joshua Dotty

Year 3: Aria Finn David

Year 4: William Neve

Year 5: Jack Ronnie

Year 6: Rory Oliver Y

House Team of the Week

The winner of the House Cup this was...

Bartlett

Congratulations!



Lancaster Confucius Institute

Lancaster University Confucius Institute is pleased to announce that registration is now open for the Autumn term [Chinese club at Lancaster University Confucius Institute](#)

During the Chinese club, children will learn some Chinese Mandarin Language (beginner and advanced classes available), Chinese culture and arts and crafts.

This club is aimed at primary school children aged between 5-11 years old.

For further information and to register, please visit the Lancaster University Confucius Institute website: [Cultural classes - Lancaster University](#)

For any enquiries, please email ci@lancaster.ac.uk



Key dates for your diary:

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

Thursday 23rd September 2025: Year 5/6 Girls Football Qualifier at LMC

(Children will receive a letter if they have been selected to represent school at this event)

Monday 29th September 2025: INSET Day

Tuesday 30th September 2025: Year 5/6 Mixed Football at LMC

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Friday 3rd October 2025: Year 4 Food Hygiene Training

Monday 6th October 2025: Individual Photographs

Monday 13th October - Wednesday 15th October 2025: Book Fair

Wednesday 15th October & Thursday 16th October 2025: Life Education Sessions

Friday 17th October 2025: 3.30pm: Choir Church Eucharist Service in school

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

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

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 6th December 2025: INSET Day

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 All Together Eucharist
 6pm Evening Prayer



Midweek services:

Wednesday 5.30pm Meditation
 Wednesday 6pm Evening Prayer

LUMOS
A Coldplay Candlelight Experience
 an unforgettable evening of music in an enchanting indoor setting

Christ Church, Wyresdale Rd,
 Lancaster LA1 3EA
 Friday 28th September
 2 Sittings: 7-8pm & 9-10pm

Book tickets now
www.lumos-experiences.com

Christ Church Apple Festival
 SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER
 12-4PM

Apple juicing, Stalls, Music, Refreshments, Children's activities, Competitions and more!
 Everyone welcome!
 BYO apples for juicing.
 Competition entries for best apple-based baked product to be brought to the Hall by 12noon
 Judging will take place between 2-3pm and the winners declared
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Christ Church, Lancaster are taking part in the Heritage Open Days 2025

Tours of the church, including a talk on it's history will take place on:

Saturdays 13th and 20th September at 11am and 2pm each day

Everyone Welcome!

World class stained glass windows by Lancaster's Shrigley and Hunt workshop
 Architecture by local firm Paley and Austin

ALL HALLOWS TIDE

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

Saturday 7th 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!

Olive the Branch
 faith in action

HARVEST APPEAL

Can you help us replenish the following items, so we are ready to support people in need through the difficult winter months?

Pasta	Tinned tomatoes	Blends	Tinned sweet sauce	Pasta sauce
Tinned pasta	Tinned soup	Tinned fish	Beans	Tinned potatoes
Baked beans	Tinned veg		Tea & Coffee	Tinned fruit

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 21ST SEPTEMBER

10.30am Eucharist - All Welcome
 Guest Speaker: Graham Rand from The Olive Branch

WITH A COLLECTION OF TINS AND LONG-LIFE FOOD FOR THE OLIVE BRANCH FOOD BANK

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. 01524 942105

Our Prayer for this week:
 Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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LANCASTER & DISTRICT 24 MALE VOICE CHOIR



with

LACUNA UPPER VOICES CHOIR



**Present an Autumn Concert on
Saturday 11th October 2025 at 2:30pm in
St. Thomas' Church Lancaster**

£10 admission, card or cash. Accompanied children free
Refreshments available in the interval. Charitable donations gratefully accepted

The Lancaster & District Male Voice Choir is supported by
Infinity Print Solutions 99-101 Penny Street, Lancaster.

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