



Christ Church Church of England Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter

Have Faith...



World Book Day

School will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 6th March 2025**.

Children are invited to 'wear something comfy' on the day. PJ's or World Book Day costumes are also welcome!

The School Council are running a book competition to **Design a book cover**.

Entries should be completed on A4 paper with name and year group on the back and handed into the class teacher.

Last submission date is **Thursday 6th March** with winners announced on Friday 7th March.



bCyberwise Workshops

On **Friday 7th March**, Lancaster Christ Church are delighted to be welcoming Corman Life Education to run their **bCyberwise Workshops** with children in **Years 4, 5 & 6**.

The workshops help children to identify some of benefits and risks associated with internet use and will explore:

- * Building positive relationships with online and offline friends;
- * Safe and respectful behaviour online
- * Responsible behaviour when using communication technology;
- * Strategies for keeping personal information safe online;
- * Strategies for dealing with face to face and cyber bullying.

Parents are very welcome to attend a **parent session** to find out more between **8.50am - 9.05am** on **Friday 7th March 2025**.

School Worship

Our theme for Worship this half term is 

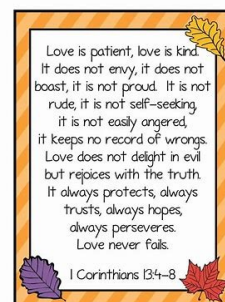
Love

"For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son. God gave his Son so that whoever believes in him may not be lost, but have eternal life."

John 3:16

Our focus this week was **"What is love?"**

On Monday, we considered different ways in which we might measure God's love for us, whilst on Wednesday, we considered how God's love is unconditional, as outlined in 1 Corinthians 13: 4—8:



Ash Wednesday Service

On **Wednesday 5th March**, we will be visiting church at 2pm for an **Ash Wednesday Service** led by the children.

Parents and carers are warmly welcome to attend.



Spring term Parents Meetings

Tuesday 18th March (3.30pm - 7pm) and
Wednesday 19th March (3.30pm - 5pm)

Parents Meeting appointments will be available to book from 6pm on Monday 10th March via the following link:

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

Please note that appointments will be held in person at school.

If you have any difficulties in accessing the link or making your booking, please call Miss Fish in the school office, who will be happy to assist.

Premier League National Girls Regional Qualifier at Blackburn Rovers

On Wednesday, our Year 5 / 6 girls football team travelled to Ewood Park, home of Blackburn Rovers FC to compete in the next round of the Premier League National Girls Qualifying tournament, representing both our school and Morecambe FC.

A tough day was ahead as we were grouped with Fleetwood Town FC, Bolton Wanderers FC, Rochdale FC, Accrington Stanley and Blackburn Rovers FC. With only the top two teams from the group qualifying, the girls were rallied up and ready for the challenge ahead.

2 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss, lots of goals scored (even by our goal keeper Abigail) and joint second in the group meant that the girls had to win their final group game to guarantee qualifying for the semi-finals.

Final whistle went and the girls drew 2-2, a tense few minutes was had whilst we waited to see the result on Blackburn Rovers FC who we were level on points with but they lost, semi-final here we come!

By midday, everyone had worked up an appetite, the organiser had arranged lunch at pitch side in Ewood Park followed by some CPR training lead by Premier League officials, a great experience and life skill for the girls.

All the girls rested and trained up, tournament commenced and our opponents drawn for the semi-final, an undefeated Preston North End who won the other group who had not conceded a goal all day... That was until they faced the mighty Lancaster Christ Church who, in the first two minutes, were 1-0 up! An end to end game dominated by our school sadly didn't go our way as Preston scored off a deflection resulting in final score of 3-2. Our girls took the defeat in their stride and very a respectable 3rd place on the day made Miss Fish & Miss Nelson extremely proud - not just how well they performed, but their attitude and sportspersonship throughout the day was a huge credit to the school.

An amazing experience for the girls being able to have photos with the Premier League trophy and meet players from Blackburn Rovers FC Women's team, a day they won't forget for a long time.

Huge congratulations to Stevie, Erin, Ellie, Ava, Abigail, Orla and Laurie you were all wonderful!

Huge thanks to Miss Fish and Miss Nelson for accompanying the team.



Girls' Biggest Ever Football Session

At lunchtime on Friday 7th March 2025, Lancaster Christ Church again be talking part in the

Girls' Biggest Ever Football Session

led by Miss Fish.

If you'd like to take part, please let your School Council Rep know so that they can add your name to the registration sheet, and don't forget your trainers on the day!



We are *living our vision!*

Work of the week:

Congratulations to the children whose work was celebrated this week:

Rec: Isaac-James Maths

Y1: Arthur: PHSE

Y2: Hughie: RE

Y3: Marnie: English

Y4: Mark: Maths

Y5: Ruairi: Geography

Y6: Scarlett: English

Achievements out of school:

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

Iziah (Rec): Football award

Maisie (Y1): Blue Peter Badge

Eva (Y1): Swimming award

Bella Y (Y1): Swimming award

Arthur: (Y1): Karate award

Thomas (Y2): Football award

Nancy-May (Y2): Football award

Seb R (Y2): Beavers badges

Juliette (Y2): Swimming award

Hughie (Y2): Swimming award

Izzy (Y2) Swimming award

Finn (Y2): Karate award

Rose (Y3): RSPB award

Alfie (Y3): Football award

Elif (Y3): Swimming & Dance awards

Henry (Y4): Karate award

We are so proud of you all!

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received, to serve others as faithful stewards of God's grace in it's various forms."

1 Peter 4:10

Congratulations!

The following children have been celebrated in assembly this week:

Rec: Winnie-Rose Lillie

Year 1: Max Veronica

Year 2: Seb D-M Ivie

Year 3: Ellis Henry

Year 4: Noah Billie-Jean

Year 5: Arya Lucas

Year 6: Toren Alex



House Team of the Week

The winner of the House Cup this week was...

Garbett

Congratulations!

Congratulations Reham!

Huge congratulations to Reham in Year 4 who was selected as one of the winners of the Young Artist's 'Perfect Pets' national art competition! Reham was awarded a fantastic goody bag of craft materials during Friday Celebration Assembly, courtesy of Young Artists.



Change of INSET Day

It has been necessary to move the INSET Day which was due to be held on Thursday 8th May to

Thursday 1st May to enable school to be used as a Polling Station. School will be **closed to all pupils on Thursday 1st May 2025** but open as normal on **Thursday 8th May 2025.**

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.



Key dates for your diary:

[Term dates](#) for the 2024 - 2025 academic year are available to view on our school website

Tuesday 4th March 2025: Year 2 Den Building workshop

Wednesday 5th March 2025: 2pm: Ash Wednesday Service at Christ Church

Thursday 6th March 2025: World Book Day

Thursday 6th March 2025: Year 3 / 4 Athletics League at LMC

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

Friday 7th March 2025: BeCyberwise Online Safety Sessions (Year 4 - Year 6)

Tuesday 18th March 2025: 3.30pm - 7pm: Parents Evening

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Thursday 20th March 2025: Reception 'Stay and Play'

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Tuesday 25th March 2025: Year 2 'Big Sing' rehearsal at Ashton Hall

Friday 28th March 2025: Year 4 'Big Sing' rehearsal at Ashton Hall

Wednesday 2nd April 2025: Reception & Year 1 visit to Greenlands Farm

Friday 4th April 2025: School closes for Easter

Monday 21st April 2025: Easter Monday

Tuesday 22nd April 2025: School reopens

Friday 25th April 2025: Year 6 History of Morecambe Tour

Friday 25th April 2025: Year 5 visit to Lakeland Wildlife Oasis

Thursday 1st May 2025: INSET Day

Monday 5th May 2025: Bank Holiday

Friday 23rd May 2025: School closes for half term

Monday 2nd June 2025: School reopens

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 Festal Eucharist
6pm Taize Eucharist



Midweek services:

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

Drop-In Lunch

Join us on the second Sunday of each month
12-1pm

in Christ Church Hall, LA1 3EA.
Everyone welcome
Pay as you feel



Experience a story...
Space to wonder...
Spiritual growth...

Godly Play



For primary-age children
(must be accompanied by an adult)

Third Sunday of every month at 4pm
Next on: **16th March**

Everyone welcome

More info from Rev'd Carol



CHOIR CHURCH

Choir Church starts on February 29th
Tuesdays 12.15pm - 3pm
in the N.S.S.
General Area



Make, fun, and fall
with friends from Christ Church
throughout in years 1-6 welcome!
Free to join -
Make bring your water bottle

Let prayer be the first
step in your journey
with God. We are here to
support you.

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www.facebook.com/choirchurch
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Fun Stories
Food Crafts
K51 K2

Messy Church

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

23rd March

Facebook @ChristChurchLancaster
Website www.christchurchlancaster.org.uk
Phone 01524 942105
Email info@christchurchlancaster.org.uk

TAIZÉ

6pm Eucharist

26th January, 2nd February, 2nd March,
13th April, 1st June, 6th July,
7th September, 5th October, 2nd November

at Christ Church, LA1 3EA

Everyone welcome for a peaceful service of prayer,
song and witness
in the spirit of the Taizé community of France



ASH WEDNESDAY

Remember that you are dust and you shall return



5th March
7pm Sung Eucharist
with Ashing

Beginning the Lenten journey in Jerusalem the cross and tomb
and to eternal life

Christ Church, Wraydale Road, LA1 3EA



For more info Facebook @christchurchlancaster 01524 942105 www.christchurchlancaster.org.uk

Our Prayer for this week:

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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



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*5th January, 2nd February, 2nd March,
13th April, 1st June, 6th July
7th September, 5th October, 2nd November*

at Christ Church, LAI 3EA

Everyone welcome for a peaceful service of prayers,
song and stillness

in the style of the Taizé community of France





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CHOIR + CHURCH

Choir Church starts on February 7th
Tuesdays 12.15pm - 1pm
in the KS1
Shared Area



Music, fun, and faith
with friends from Christ Church
Everyone in years 1-6 welcome!

Free to join -
please bring your water bottle

Half-termly Eucharist in School
Sharing musical excellence,
spiritual growth and social justice.

Like more info?
Contact Rev'd Carol (vicar)
revcarolbackhouse@gmail.com

Or Mrs Jayne Crow
jaynecrow@btinternet.com



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Fun

Stories

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Food

Crafts

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

4th Sunday
of each month

KS1&2

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More details please contact Innes (Children's Ministry Leader)

07853 791776 children@christchurchlancaster.org.uk

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Dear parent/caregiver



Invitation to take part in a research project on children's picture description

I am a researcher in the Psychology department at Lancaster University studying young children's language development. As part of our research on children's sentence development, we are carrying out a study in the school your child attends and we would like to invite you and your child to participate.

In the study, we will ask your child to play a short game of snap with the experimenter and to describe the pictures on the cards as they turn them over. They will also do a quick vocabulary game naming pictures. We will audio-record each session so that we can see how your child describes the pictures. There are no right or wrong answers, we are just interested in the kinds of descriptions that they use and whether they are influenced by the kinds of descriptions the researcher uses, this tells us about how they learn language from what they are hearing.

The session will take about 20 minutes during your child's normal school day, and your child will be free to stop playing at any point if he/she wishes to. Please continue on to the next page for further details.

If you agree to your child taking part in this study, I would be grateful if you could complete the attached form: https://lancasteruni.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_73W82Oxpr4FhGx8

Please do not hesitate to contact the principal researcher via email (K.Messenger@lancaster.ac.uk) if you would like any further details about this study.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Kate Messenger

Senior Lecturer | Department of Psychology | Lancaster University



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