

Happy New Year

SCHOOL MATTERS



Week Ending Friday 10th January 2025

Fortnightly newsletter of Poulton-le-Fylde, St Chad's CE Primary School
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H

appy New Year!

Welcome back everyone and a very happy new year to you all! Thank you for all the festive well wishes, cards and gifts we received, we really appreciate the kindness of our children and families. We are looking forward to another super year at St Chad's with our superstar children and staff!

School Meals

Thank you to all the parents who completed the survey about school meals. We are going to keep the same catering staff but will become independent from LCC after February half term. We will be able to continue the good service children and parents are used to us providing, but we will have more flexibility with meal choices and our provision. We are taking on board the suggestions for meals from the survey, thank you again for these.

Parent Conduct Towards Staff

At Poulton St. Chad's we continue to promote positive and respectful relationships, especially between staff and parents/carers. However, on a number of occasions last term, a minority of parents were extremely unpleasant and displayed unacceptable behaviour towards myself and my staff. We understand that there are times when situations are difficult or frustrating, but to confront hard-working and dedicated members of St. Chad's staff and vent those frustrations is not acceptable. If there is something you need to let school know, or you would like to have your concerns heard, please contact us at the earliest opportunity so that we can help. Please ensure all family members are also aware of our policy.

As we start this new year, I would like to remind everyone that we are doing our best every day for your children and your family. Abusive/threatening emails, phone calls or confrontations will not be tolerated at any time and school will take further action where needed. Here is a link to our Unacceptable Parent Behaviour policy <https://eadn-wc04-12554958.nxedge.io/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Unacceptable-Parent-Behaviour-Policy-Revised-April-24.pdf>

Dadversity Boot Camp

Nathan, one of our Key Stage 1 parents and founder of Dadversity, has kindly offered to host a FREE Bootcamp for Dads at Gymetc on Garstang Road. There will be one session per year group, starting with Year 6 dads and kids on Tuesday 14th January (4-5pm)

If you would like to have some 1:1 time with your child doing a fun, physical activity (all fitness levels welcome), here is the link to register: <https://dadversity.co.uk/poulton-st-chads-bootcamp/>

We hope to see you there!

Hot Chocolate

School Council and the children have voted to have another fortnight of hot chocolate to bring a bit of warmth and cheer into January! The arrangements will be the same as last term- 60p for a hot chocolate with whipped cream and marshmallows; 30p for a hot Vimto. Days are as follows:

Year 6-Monday 13th January
Year 5-Tuesday 14th January
Year 4-Wednesday 15th January
Year 3-Thursday 16th January
Year 2-Tuesday 21st January
Year 1-Wednesday 22nd January
EYFS-Thursday 23rd January



From,
Mrs Nicole Bitsakaki

Calendar Dates

- February 3rd- Faith Fortnight KS1 Visit to Blackburn Cathedral (provisional)
- February 6th- Year 3&4 Visit to Blackburn Cathedral (provisional)
- February 10th- Year 5&6 Visit to Blackburn Cathedral (provisional)
- February 10th- Parents Evening
- February 13th-Parents Evening
- February 14th Break up for Half Term
- March 6th- World Book Day Dressing up as Book Characters
- March 14th March-Science Week
- March 31st- Easter Service @St Chad's Church 9:30am
- April 4th-Break up for Easter

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs Bitsakaki

Deputy Safeguarding Leads:

**Mr Blackburn
Mrs Woodward
Mrs Blackett
Mrs Hardy**

Governor Safeguarding Lead:

Rev Martin Keighley

Christian Value for Spring 1

Creation

ATTENDANCE

National Expectation for Attendance 94%

School Target 96%

Whole School Attendance is currently 95%

CLASS ATTENDANCE CURRENTLY

EYFS	96%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	93%

Year 3	96%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	96%
Year 6	97%

THANK
YOU





STAR



LEARNER



Well Done

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STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 13TH DECEMBER

STARS OF THE WEEK

Amelie C.
Thomas
Ella
Charlie C.
Joshua R.
Molly
Aurora
Georgia H.

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Max
Milo
Jessie
Archer H.
Zachery C.
Zach
Holly
Arthur T.

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Mrs Blackett

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Mrs Duhig

TIDY CLASSROOM

KS1
Year 1

KS2
Year 6



HOUSE POINT WINNERS Green Snakes!

WEEK ENDING 20TH DECEMBER

STARS OF THE WEEK

Reuben
Archie
Octavia
Bella
Luna
Callum
Martha
Ella

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Evie
Ellie
Skylar
Francesca
Luke
Jenson
Ellie
Sebby

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Mrs Crossley

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Miss Rodgers

TIDY CLASSROOM

EYFS

KS2
Year 3



HOUSE POINT WINNERS Red Pandas!



Learner
Reeva
Y5



Star
Choir

*Headteacher's
Award*



Learner

**Elsie
Y4**



Star

Year 3

Reminder



Just a reminder that we are using our new one way system at pick up time only for EYFS, Year 1 and Creative Corner.

Please use the path which runs down the side of the nursery to access the playground, and exit down the school drive.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Look at our Learning in



EYFS & KS1

Emeralds



This week the children have been making super hero masks. They have been learning about super powers that make special friends.

Year 1



Year 1 have been doing lots of partner work in gymnastics.

Creative Corner



We have been investigating how penguins stay dry.

Year 2



We used our observational skills to classify and sort different seeds.

Look at our Learning in

KS2



Year 3



Year 3 have started their Rock and Roll dance unit with some freeze frames!

Year 4



Year 4 are learning about 'Sound' in Science. They went on a Sound walk around school and wrote down everything they could hear!

Year 5



We have been writing our own messages using Mayan glyphs.

Year 6



We had lots of fun in our Snowball and New Year themed PE lesson this week. Take a look on our socials to see our 2025 Reel!

Do you need help this Winter?

**Are you struggling to buy food
or to pay for household bills?**

The Household Support Fund can provide short-term financial help for people struggling to pay for essentials such as food, heating and water.

Please visit **[www.wyre.gov.uk](http://www.wyre.gov.uk/householdsupport)**
/householdsupport or scan the
QR code below to view the criteria
and make an application now.



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY

North

Do you have a child starting primary school in September 2025 and living in Lancashire?

Closing date: 15 January 2025

You **must** apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery. Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website, or get a copy from them.

Apply for a school place now by scanning
the QR code or visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, please check the guidance on our website, or call **01524 581148**.

Have
your say

Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces and click 'school admission policies'.

lancashire.gov.uk

