

# SCHOOL MATTERS



Week ending Friday 19th July 2024

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

**LOVE LEARNING. LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER.**

Happy  
**HOLIDAYS**

So we have finished for the year and what a great year we have had! Thank you parents for having such lovely children! They have been fantastic this year, working hard in lessons, being polite, friendly and kind to others- we have the most wonderful children at St Chad's! We couldn't have such a great school without the staff so huge thank you to all staff.

We have a significant amount of building improvements taking place over the summer holidays. We are doing some internal modifications to create a meeting room so the Hub and Group Room can remain for children's use and we are having a new break out room in Key Stage 2 to accommodate our intervention and booster groups. Mid-year we changed a Year 6 cupboard into a space for precision teaching to take place and this has been a brilliant use of space to help accelerate children's learning in a suitable environment. We are also having a full electrical re-wire though school and we are updating our fire alarm system, which is currently working but 20 years old! This will also include a new lockdown alarm. If you would like to give feedback on drop off/collection please email me.

We will be holding our usual Meet the teacher meetings in Autumn at 2:45pm in your child's new classroom. These will be on the following dates:

***Year 1: Friday 20th September***  
***Year 2: Tuesday 24th September***  
***Year 3: Tuesday 17th September***  
***Year 4: Thursday 26th September***  
***Year 5: Thursday 19th September***  
***Year 6: Monday 16th September***



Thank you to the parents who have completed the surveys on Survey Monkey.

Here are the responses:

1. **91%** parents agree or strongly agree their child is happy at school
2. **92%** parents agree or strongly agree their child is safe in school
3. **83%** agree or strongly agree their child makes good progress
4. **74%** are aware of what my child is learning (parents- this information is shared with you on the website and the showcases that we now offer termly plus any Seesaw posts)
5. **98%** agree or strongly agree there is a good range of subjects available
6. **59%** parents agree or strongly agree there are wider opportunities for learning and extra-curricular clubs available, these were mainly KS2 parents so we will look at this for our EYFS and KS1. Some of our clubs are offered by school staff at lunch time.
7. **86%** agree/strongly agree/don't know that poor behaviour or bullying is dealt with effectively.
8. **86%** agree or strongly agree St Chad's is welcoming and inclusive, with most of the disagree responses coming from families newest to school so we will look at what to do to increase this number.

Thank you everyone for your feedback and for your continued support (and patience at times) this year.

On behalf of the staff, thank you for all your cards, gifts and lovely messages. Wishing you all a very happy and relaxing summer holiday. See you in September

*Thank you* 

From,  
*Mrs Nicole Bitsakaki*

## DIARY DATES

### September

- Tuesday 3rd September - Return to school
- Tuesday 10th Sept @ 8.30am - Parent App Clinic for new intake
- Thursday 12th Sept @ 3.15pm- Parent App Clinic for new intake

#### Meet The Teacher

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- Year 2: Tuesday 24th September
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Designated Safeguarding Lead:  
**Mrs Bitsakaki**

Deputy Safeguarding Leads:  
**Mr Blackburn and  
Mrs Woodward**

Governor Safeguarding Lead:  
**Rev Martin Keighley**

Christian Value for Summer 2  
**Hope**

# STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

## WEEK ENDING 5TH JULY

### STARS OF THE WEEK

EMERALDS  
DIAMONDS  
CREATIVE CORNER  
AMETHYSTS  
YEAR 3  
YEAR 4  
YEAR 5  
YEAR 6

Freddie  
Benjamin  
William B.  
Luke  
Summer  
Raffie  
Eddie S.  
Everyone

### LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Penelope  
Gracie  
George  
Sophie  
George  
Ariella  
Isla  
Everyone

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Miss Siddall

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Mrs Downe

TIDY CLASSROOM

KS1  
Year 2

KS2  
Year 4



**HOUSE POINT WINNERS** Yellow Lions!

## WEEK ENDING 12TH JULY

### STARS OF THE WEEK

EMERALDS  
DIAMONDS  
CREATIVE CORNER  
AMETHYSTS  
YEAR 3  
YEAR 4  
YEAR 5  
YEAR 6

Cobie  
Max  
Ada  
Ryan  
Eleanor  
India-Rose  
Barney  
Theo

### LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Harry  
Poppy  
Mable  
Scarlett  
Theo  
Finn  
Katy  
Mya G.

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Mr Blackburn

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

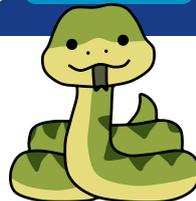
Mrs Swales

TIDY CLASSROOM

EYFS

KS2  
Year 3

**HOUSE POINT WINNERS** Green Snakes!



THANK YOU PALS!





STAR



LEARNER



WELL DONE!

TO ALL THE STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK!



STAR



LEARNER



LOVE LEARNING. LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER.





STAR



LEARNER



WEEK ENDING 19TH JULY

- EMERALDS
- DIAMONDS
- CREATIVE CORNER
- AMETHYSTS
- YEAR 3
- YEAR 4
- YEAR 5
- YEAR 6

- STARS OF THE WEEK
- Elijah
  - Harry H.
  - Lizzie G.
  - Archie J.
  - Nancy
  - Milo
  - Amelia W.
  - Ava D.

- LEARNERS OF THE WEEK
- Fleur
  - Joshua W.
  - Sienna F.
  - Oliver B.
  - Jack P.
  - Raffie
  - Aryton
  - James

- TEACHER OF THE WEEK
- Mr Graham
- SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK
- Mrs Hardy
- TIDY CLASSROOM
- KS1 CC
- KS2 Year 5

HOUSE POINT WINNERS Green Snakes!



If anybody needs any help or support over the summer break then Mrs. Hardy can be contacted via email at [fsw@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:fsw@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk).

Goodbye  
&  
Good Luck!

# Year 6 Class of 2024





Year 6  
End of Year  
Awards!



*Achievement*

**Mya B.**

*Resilience*

**Harrison C.**

*Kindness*

**Florence M.**

*Chess*

**Theo H.**

*Art*

**Olivia B.**

*Performing Arts*

**Emily W.**

*Music*

**Miriam C.**

*Football*

**James H.**

*Netball*

**Ava D.**

*Boys PE*

**Rory C.**

*Girls PE*

**Saetia L.**



# DIVERSITY DAY



PIC-COLLAGE

## ATTENDANCE

National Expectation for Attendance

94%

School Target

96%

Whole School Attendance is currently

95%

Well done to Emeralds for most improved class this term :)



### Class Attendance currently

EYFS	92%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	93%

Year 3	96%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	96%
Year 6	94%

## Important Update – Changes to Education-related Penalty Notices

### Information for Parents

You may be aware that the Department for Education has recently announced national changes to penalty notices issued for unauthorised absence in term time. These changes will come into effect on 19 August 2024.

The changes to be aware of are:

- Penalty notices issued for offences that take place after 19 August 2024 will be charged at a new rate of £160 per parent per child. This can be paid at £80 if paid within 21 days.
- Any second penalty notice issued to the same parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period will be issued at the rate of £160 to be paid within 28 days with no option for a discounted rate.
- The threshold at which a penalty notice must be considered is set at 10 sessions (equivalent to 5 days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10-school week period<sup>1</sup>. This may include absences as a result of arriving late after the register closes. The 10 school weeks may span different terms or school years.
- A maximum of 2 penalty notices may be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period, so at the 3rd (or subsequent) offence(s) another course of action will need to be considered (such as prosecution or one of the other attendance legal interventions).
- Only penalty notices issued for absences taking place after 19 August 2024 will count towards the above thresholds.

**Absences can have a lasting effect on learning**  
Missing a week of school means your child will miss around 25 hours of learning  
This creates gaps in their knowledge and could mean they will not meet their full potential

<sup>1</sup> A school week is any week in which a school meets at least once.

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5pm  
(gates



at co am ha PLAYING  
fields, poulton-le-fylde

10:30am)  
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