



SCHOOL MATTERS

Week Ending Friday 17th April 2026

Vol 14



LOVE LEARNING. LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

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

Tel: 01253 883639

www.poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Christian Value

Summer 1

Forgiveness

(continued)



Luke 6:37: “Forgive and you will be forgiven.”

Compassionate Communities

We were delighted to welcome Simon from Compassionate Communities back to St Chad's, where he presented us with our certificate for being the first school in the UK to be a compassionate workplace. We have also begun to share our plans and work on loss and bereavement with other schools in order to help support as many children and families as we can.



Sustainability/Link School Update

Mr Graham and I have been working with Eco Council and Ethos Group on a shared sustainability project with Devonshire Road school in Bolton. We are hoping to encourage children to walk to school next half term, collect data on this and compare it with Devonshire Road, Bolton... we will keep you updated on our progress!

National Whole School Wellbeing Silver Award

We are delighted to have been awarded a silver medal in acknowledgment of our participation in the Raising Attainment with Wellbeing Programme. It has been acknowledged how we put wellbeing and inclusion at the heart of learning, teaching and leadership. Huge thanks to Miss Siddall for submitting our application and for being a super wellbeing lead. Also huge congratulations and thanks to all of our wonderful staff at St Chad's who care about children's wellbeing and work so hard to give all children the very best opportunities. Well done Team St Chad's!



*From,
Mrs Bitsakaki*

Staff Survey (Feb 26) results included

I am proud to be a member of staff at St Chad's.

Strongly agree/agree 94%

Neither agree/disagree 6%

Children are safe at St Chad's

Strongly agree/agree 100%

Children's behaviour is consistently well managed

Strongly agree/agree 75%

Neither agree/disagree 19%

Strongly disagree/disagree 6%

Any form of bullying at St Chad's is dealt with well

Strongly agree/agree 100%

Leaders use professional development to encourage, challenge and support staff

Strongly agree/agree 94%

Neither agree/disagree 6%

At St Chad's all children are challenged to make at least good progress

Strongly agree/agree 100%

St Chad's is an inclusive school

Strongly agree/agree 94%

Strongly disagree/disagree 6%

I know what we are trying to achieve as a school and how I can contribute to school improvement

Strongly agree/agree 100%

St Chad's is well led and managed

Strongly agree/agree 94%

Neither agree/disagree 6%

I feel well supported at St Chad's

Strongly agree/agree 94%

Neither agree/disagree 6%

Staff wellbeing is important at St Chad's

Strongly agree/agree 81%

Neither agree/disagree 19%

I enjoy working at St Chad's

Strongly agree/agree 100%

My role in school is

Teaching staff 44%

Support staff 56%

"I am proud to be part of the team at St Chad's. There is a strong sense of community, shared purpose and commitment to doing the very best for every child. Staff support one another, leadership is clear and values-driven, and there is a genuine focus on both pupil progress and wellbeing. It is a positive and purposeful place to work."

Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead:



Mrs Bitsakaki
Headteacher

Governor Safeguarding Lead:

Rev Martin Keighley

Deputy Safeguarding Lead:



Mr Blackburn
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Harwood
Associate Assistant
Headteacher



Mrs Stanley
Family Support Worker

Christian Value
Summer 1

Forgiveness (continued)

ATTENDANCE

National Expectation for Attendance

94%

School Attendance Target

96%

Whole School Attendance is currently

95.34%

Miss Cameron would like to remind you all about the importance of punctuality! Gates open at 8:40am!

CLASS ATTENDANCE CURRENTLY

EYFS	96.22%	Year 3	93.80%
Year 1	96.28%	Year 4	95.31%
Year 2	94.68%	Year 5	95.47%
		Year 6	95.93%

CALENDAR DATES

APRIL

- 13th** School reopens
- 20th** Phonics workshop for parents
4:30pm - 5:30pm
- 23rd** Y3 Trip to Ribchester
- 24th** Career's Day
KS2 School Disco 3.15pm to 4.15pm (non-uniform)
- 30th** Inclusion Festival



MAY

- 4th** May Day - School Closed
- 8th** Proposed St Chad's in Bloom
Weather permitting
- 11th - 14th** Year 6 SATs
- 13th - 19th** Scholastic - Travelling Book Fair
- 18th** Y4 worship
- 18th** KS 1 Sports Day - 1:30pm
19th 9:30am (Reserve Sports Day)
- 21st** KS 2 Sports Day - 1:30pm
4th June 1:30pm (Reserve Sports Day)
- 21st** School closes for half-term

JUNE

- 3rd** School reopens
- 5th** Business Enterprise Afternoon
- 16th** Year 6 - Transition Visit
- 22nd** Y1 Worship

ST CHAD'S CHURCH SERVICES

10am - All Age Worship on the first Sunday of the month. (Informal family worship. Duration 45 mins)

4.00 pm 'St Chad's @ 4' held on the 3rd Sunday of the month. (Drinks and cake served at 4.00 pm, followed at 4.30 pm by an informal family friendly service finishing c 5.15 pm.)



JULY

- 2nd** Whole school Transition Day
- 15th** Y2 Trip to Brockholes
- 15th** Reports coming home
- 16th** Y6 Performance for Parents
- 20th** Y6 Leaver's Service 9:30am
- 21st** School closes for Summer - 2pm

STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 20TH MARCH

STARS OF THE WEEK

EYFS
YEAR 1
CREATIVE CORNER
YEAR 2
YEAR 3
YEAR 4
YEAR 5
YEAR 6

Nancie
Arabella
Emilia
Fleur
Perla
Violet
Theo R
Seth

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Archie
Arabella
Lucy
Lucas
Poppy
Jenson
Theo
Dougie

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Mr Sorsbie

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Mr Harrod

TIDY CLASSROOM

KS1
EYFS

KS2
Year 4

HOUSE POINT WINNERS

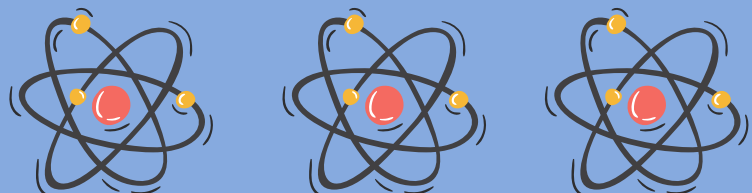
Yellow Lions



STARS OF THE WEEK



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 27TH MARCH

STARS OF THE WEEK

EYFS
YEAR 1
CREATIVE CORNER
YEAR 2
YEAR 3
YEAR 4
YEAR 5
YEAR 6

Amaya
Lily
Ada
Rory
Bella
Zachary
Angel
India-Rose

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Dylan
Oscar
Huey
Ayansh
Matildah
Robyn
Harrison
Amber

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Mr Sorsbie

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Mrs Thushanthan

TIDY CLASSROOM

KS1
Year 1

KS2
Year 3

HOUSE POINT WINNERS

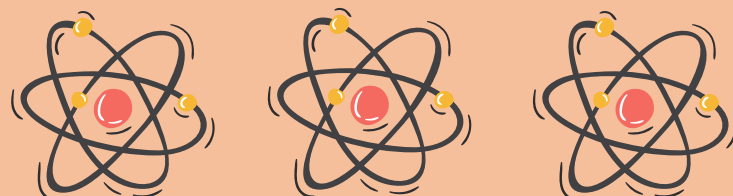
Green Snakes



STARS OF THE WEEK



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



Headteacher's Award w/e 20th March

Floki Award



Lily W
Y3



Cobie
Y2



Ted
Y4

Headteacher's Award w/e 27th March

Floki Award



Ellie
Y6



Poppy
Y3



Charlie
Y3



LOOK AT OUR LEARNING

KEY STAGE 1



EYFS

YEAR 1

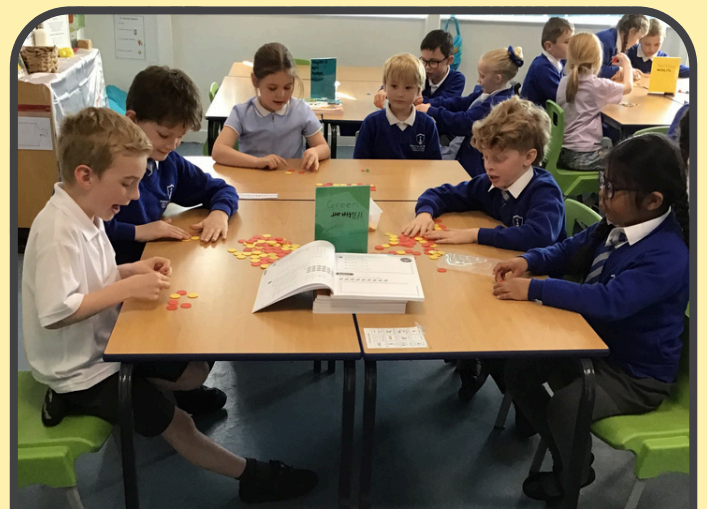


This week we have started our mini beast topic and the children have been excited exploring for different mini beasts.

In Science, we made a playdough model of the human body and labelled the different parts. We then explained which body part is linked to each of the five senses and what each sense is used for.

CREATIVE CORNER

YEAR 2



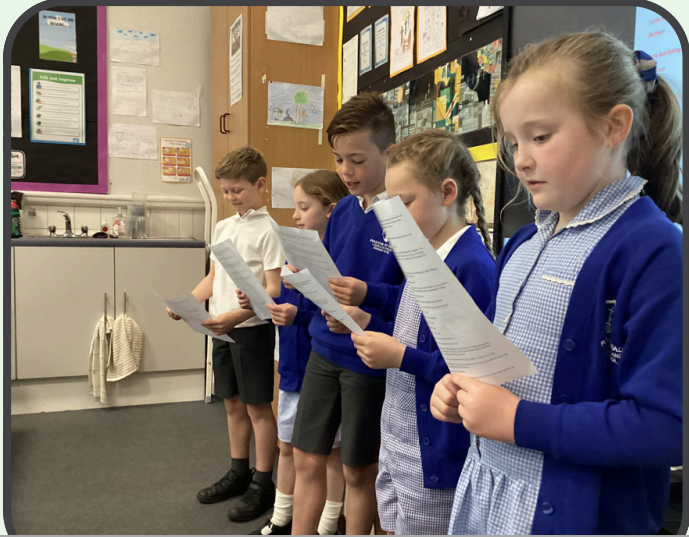
This week we have been learning about lighthouses. We have been looking at the shapes of a lighthouse and have created our own picture using different shaped sponges.

Year 2 are using counters to help us find half of a number.

LOOK AT OUR LEARNING

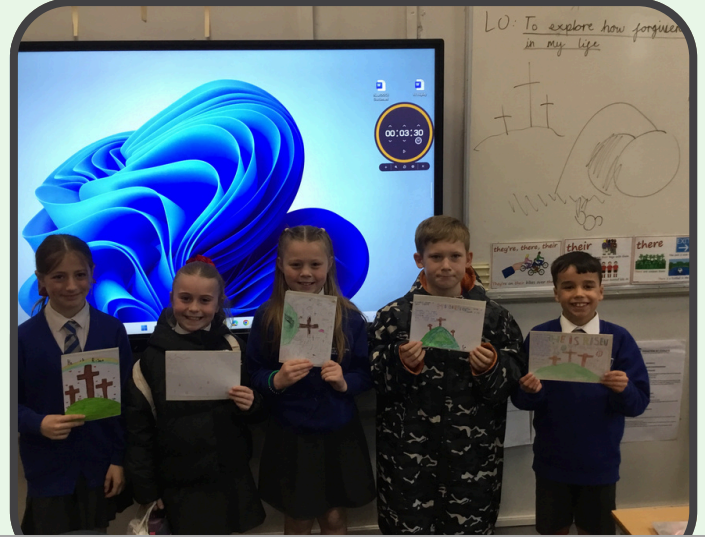
KEY STAGE 2

YEAR 3



Year 3 have been enjoying reading playscripts and the difference features that bring the play to life.

YEAR 4



In the run up to Easter, we have been enjoying learning more about the Easter story and making cards inspired by Jesus' death and resurrection. Some really thoughtful work has been put into these with lots of interesting discussions.

YEAR 5



Year 5 have been developing their team building skills through a variety of team games in PE.

YEAR 6



This week we have started preparing ourselves for SATs by practising mindfulness and developing positive thinking habits!

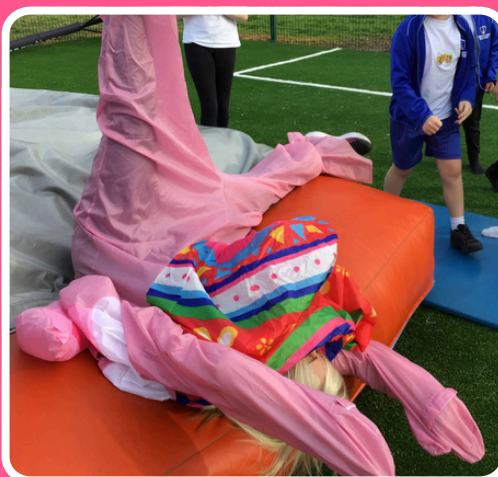


Out of School Club are learning to serve themselves. A big well done from Miss Cameron!



OOSC Activities





**STAFF AND PUPILS ALIKE
ENJOYED THE INFLATABLE
COURSE, RAISING A BRILLIANT
£666.50**



Who to Contact?

All calls are recorded for training and monitoring purposes

Website www.poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Bursar 01253 883639 bursar@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Attendance Champion l.cameron@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	SENCO senco@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Family Support Worker fsw@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Teachers Name@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Senior Leadership Team SLT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Staff emails *Term dates *School policies *Car parking permit *Christian Values *Class information *Extra-Curricular activities *Friends of St Chad's *Governing Board *School uniform *Lunch Menu *General information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Urgent matters *General questions *Medication *Change of personal details/ circumstances *Scopay *Lateness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Holiday Requests *Unauthorised absences *Medical appointments *Breakfast club *After school club <i>**Sickness absence is to be reported on the Parent App**</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Concerns of additional needs *EHCP questions *Support with child's diagnosed condition <i>**Tuesdays on site**</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Early Help *Safeguarding *Family support *Mental health concerns *Bereavement *Advice about other agencies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Day to day school *Friendship issues *Low level well-being concerns *Progress & development *Homework / reading *Clubs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Any unresolved concerns following discussions with class teacher/staff. EYFS/ KS1: Mrs Harwood N.Harwood@ KS2: Mr Blackburn MrBlackburn@ Headteacher: Mrs Bitsakaki head@
INSTANT ANSWER!	Urgent- same day response. Everything else- within 48 hours.	Response within 48 hours	Will respond on Tuesdays. Meetings may take 2 weeks to arrange.	Response within 48 hours	Email response or meeting arranged within 48 hours	Response within 48 hours. Meetings may take 2 weeks to arrange.

Safeguarding Team - Mrs Bitsakaki, Mr Blackburn , Mrs Harwood & Mrs Stanley

Teacher Email Addresses

Key Stage 1

EYFS

MrsArcher@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Year 1

n.harwood@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Creative Corner

m.whorlton-jones@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Year 2

c.siddall@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Key Stage 2

Year 3

MrGraham@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Year 4

f.sorsbie@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Year 5

MrBlackburn@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Year 6

l.dodd@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk