SCHOOL MATTERS

Week Ending Friday 23rd October 2026 Vol3



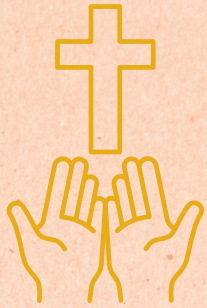
LOVE LEARNING. LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

Fortnightly newsletter of Poulton-le-Fylde, St Chad's CE Primary School
Tel: 01253 883639
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Christian Value

Autumn 1

Thankfulness



"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; His love endures forever." (Psalm 107:1)

THANKYOU

What a great half term we have had! It has been busy right from the start with many events on and so much enrichment taking place (too many things to list!) Thank you parents and carers for all your support with this and thank you to our staff for going the extra mile –our enrichment offer is one of the reasons St Chad's is unique and is one of the reasons our children enjoy school so much. We promise lots more fun and exciting learning opportunities to come next half term!

October Safeguarding Update

Please see the link to the video for October: Digital Wellbeing.



Well done EYFS!

Our new EYFS children have settled well into school. They have already made new friends; they are doing well with the new routines of school and are working hard in their learning. A huge well done to the children, EYFS staff and our new families!





From,
Mrs Bitsakaki

HAPPY HALF TERM



Safeguarding Team

Designated Safeguarding Lead:



Mrs Bitsakaki
Headteacher

Governor Safeguarding Lead:
Rev Martin Keighley

Deputy Safeguarding Lead:



Mr Blackburn
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Harwood
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs Stanley
Family Support Worker

Christian Value Autumn 1

Thankfulness

ATTENDANCE

School Attendance Target **98%**

Whole School Attendance is currently **96.33%**

Miss Cameron would like to remind you that our school attendance target is 98%.

Well done Y1

CLASS ATTENDANCE CURRENTLY

EYFS	93.25%
Year 1	98.07%
Year 2	96.64%

Year 3	95.37%
Year 4	97.08%
Year 5	97.72%
Year 6	95.51%

CALENDAR DATES

OCTOBER

23rd	INSET Day - School closed for half term
31st	Deadline for applying for a secondary school place

NOVEMBER

4th	School Reopens
5th	EYFS - Vision Screening
5th	KS1 School Disco - 3:10 to 4:15 pm (non uniform day for KS1 only)
13th	KS2 School Disco - 3:15 to 4:15 pm (non uniform day for KS2 only)

DECEMBER

8th	KS2 Carol Concert - 1:30pm
10th	Christmas Jumper Day
15th	EYFS/KS1 Nativity for Parents - 1:45pm
17th	Xmas Showcase - 3:15pm
18th	Break up for Christmas - 2pm close

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.)

JANUARY

4th	Back to School
15th	Deadline for applying for a primary school place

FEBRUARY

3rd	Whole class photos
8th	Parents Evening
11th	Parents Evening
12th	School closes for half term

STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 9TH OCTOBER 26

	STARS OF THE WEEK	LEARNERS OF THE WEEK
YEAR 1	Pippa	Hogan
CREATIVE CORNER	-	-
YEAR 2	Rai	Olive
YEAR 3	Ruby	William
YEAR 4	Fergus	Octavia
YEAR 5	Luke	Sophie
YEAR 6	Samuel	Harrison

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Mrs Archer

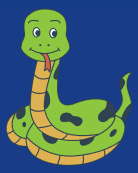
SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Miss Jones

TIDY CLASSROOM

KS1	KS2
Year 1	Year 4

HOUSE POINT WINNERS Green Snakes



CLASS OF THE WEEK
YEAR 4

STARS OF THE WEEK



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 16TH OCTOBER

	STARS OF THE WEEK	LEARNERS OF THE WEEK
YEAR 1	Kendall	Dylan
CREATIVE CORNER	Levison	Milo
YEAR 2	Aayla	Lucy
YEAR 3	Ellie B	Lucas
YEAR 4	Bella	George J
YEAR 5	Sienna	Jenson
YEAR 6	Ruby W	Jacob

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Mr Graham

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Miss Blofeld

TIDY CLASSROOM

KS1 Year 2

KS2 Year 3

HOUSE POINT WINNERS Yellow Lions



CLASS OF THE WEEK

YEAR 4

STARS OF THE WEEK



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



Headteacher's Award w/e 9th October



Harry
Y4



Joseph
Y2

Floki Award



Jack
Y6

Headteacher's Award w/e 16th October



Esme
Y4



Albie
Y3

Floki Award



Bonita
Y1

LOOK AT OUR LEARNING

KEY STAGE 1

EYFS



This week we have been getting messy making pumpkin stew.

YEAR 1



In Geography, we explored our local area, spotting human and physical features and even discovered some treasure!

CREATIVE CORNER



In Creative this week, we have been learning about the French artist Henri Rousseau. We loved recreating his 'Tiger in a Tropical Storm' piece.

YEAR 2

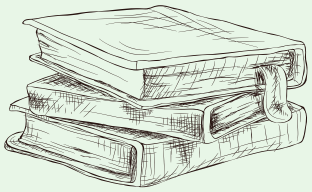


Y2 have been learning how to strike a ball in PE.

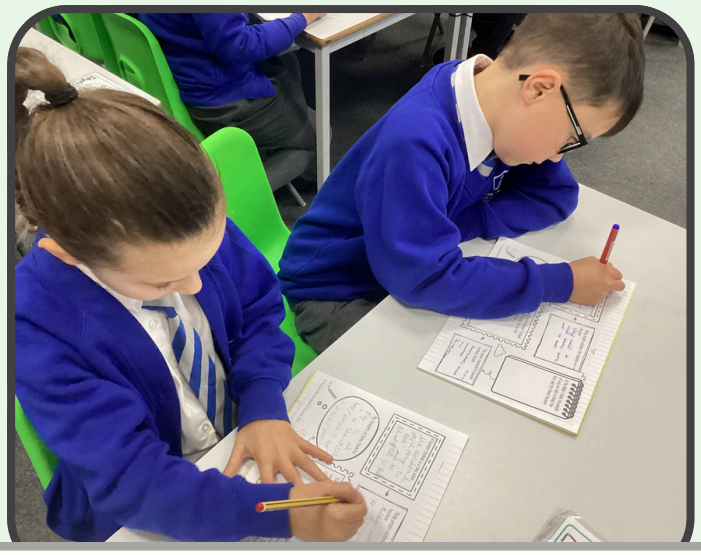


LOOK AT OUR LEARNING

KEY STAGE 2



YEAR 3



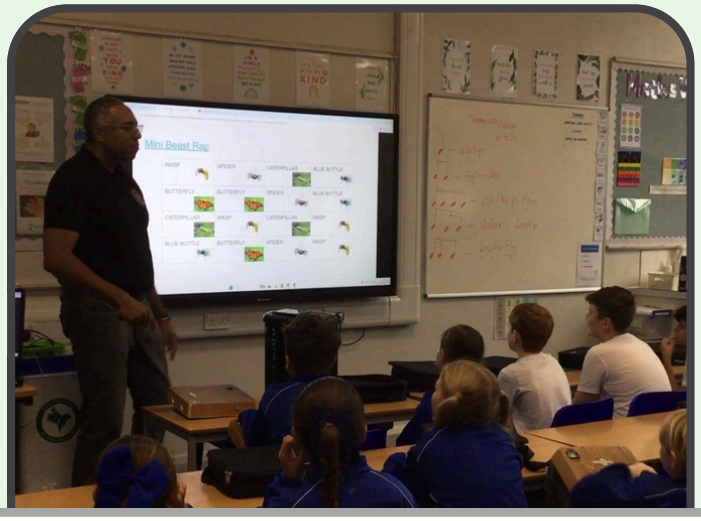
This week in RE, Year 3 have been reflecting on our Harvest work. We have explored different Harvest Festivals and the Christian value of Thankfulness.

YEAR 4



We've been cracking on with our multiplication skills every morning in Year 4. Some great mathematicians in the making!

YEAR 5



Year 5 have been working hard in Music to understand beat and pace for the 'mini beast rap'. I was blown away by how many future rap sensations we have in class!

YEAR 6



Year 6 enjoyed carrying out research and then creating and presenting posters about Martin Luther King as part of our learning during Black History Week.

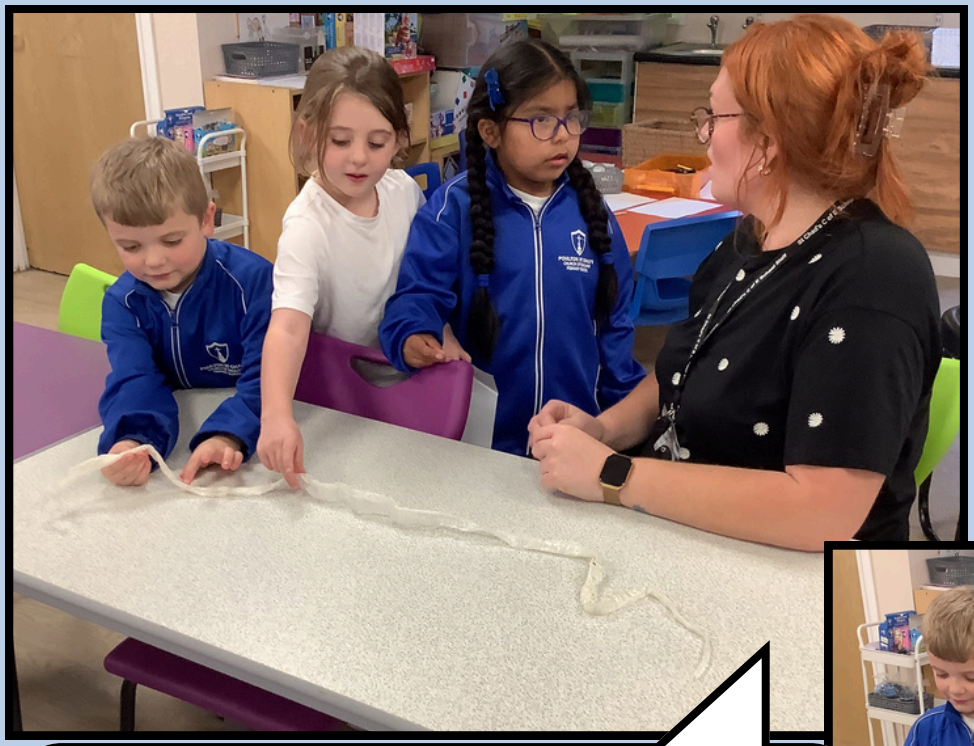








OOSC Activities







Thank you to Mrs Joyce for showing us the snake skin.

SCHOOL LIBRARY







MRS THUSHANTHAN'S STAR READERS







Who to Contact at Poulton St Chad's

All calls are recorded for training and monitoring purposes

Step 1: Check the Website First (Instant Answer!)

Go to www.poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk for: Term dates, uniform, lunch menus, extra-curricular activities, car parking permits, and school policies.

Step 2: Direct Your Query

If your query is about...	Contact...	Response Time
Day-to-day school life, progress, homework, or friendship issues	Class Teacher	Within 48 hours
Holidays, medical appointments, breakfast & after-school clubs Note: Report sickness via the Parent App!	**Attendance Champion** 📧 l.cameron@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Within 48 hours
Urgent matters, Scopay, lateness, student medication, or personal detail updates	**The Bursar** 📞 01253 883639 📧 bursar@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Same day for urgent; Within 48 hours
Additional needs, learning concerns, or EHCP support	**SENCO** 📧 senco@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Within 48 hours (meetings may take up to 2 weeks to arrange)
Early Help, safeguarding, family mental health, or bereavement support	**Family Support Worker** 📧 fsw@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk	Within 48 hours

🚨 **Unresolved Concerns / Senior Leadership (SLT)**

If you have discussed an issue with the class teacher or staff and it remains unresolved, please contact SLT:

EYFS / KS1 Concerns: Mrs Harwood 📧 N.Harwood@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

KS2 Concerns: Mr Blackburn 📧 MrBlackburn@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

Headteacher: Mrs Bitsakaki 📧 head@poultonstchadsce.lancs.sch.uk

SLT will respond within 48 hours, though face-to-face meetings may take up to 2 weeks to arrange.

Safeguarding Team

Mrs Bitsakaki, Mr Blackburn, Mrs Harwood and Mrs Stanley

SCHOOL PRIMARY



APPLY NOW!

School and Academy places September 2027

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2026 and 31 August 2027.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

CLOSING DATE
15 January 2027

School transport

Iftravel costis an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.

lancashire.gov.uk

Lancashire County Council

Comms: 10108

SCHOOL
SECONDARY



APPLY NOW!

School and Academy places September 2027

You must apply if your child is in their last year of primary school (year 6) from September 2026.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

CLOSING DATE
31 October 2026

School transport

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DROP IN SESSIONS

NHS Lancashire & South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust

With our Primary Mental Health Worker Team

- **Aimed at Parents, Children and Young people and professionals seeking advice around Mental Health**
- **Including information around signposting and best services that meet your Mental Health needs**

Where?

Poulton Library
FY6 7DH

1st Thursday of every month

2:00PM - 4:30PM

3rd September 2026
1st October 2026
5th November 2026
3rd December 2026
7th January 2027

4th February 2027
4th March 2027
1st April 2027
6th May 2027
3rd June 2027
1st July 2027

POULTON *Gala*

APPLICATION

ARE NOW OPEN

TO BE

POULTON GALA

QUEEN, KING

or part of the Retinue

ALL APPLICANTS MUST BE OF SCHOOL AGE AND LIVE IN POULTON OR CARLETON.

QUEEN AND KING
MUST BE AGE 8 AND ABOVE.

RETINUE MEMBERS
MUST BE AGE 4 AND ABOVE.

TO APPLY, GO TO
www.poultongala.co.uk

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON
Sunday 15th November

Parents and Carers, tell us about your experience of using school age childcare in Lancashire



Scan the QR code

lancashire.gov.uk/childcare

Lancashire County Council

Comms 11012

Lancashire Health Visiting and School Nursing

NHS

School Nurse Drop In

We can help with:

- Physical and emotional health
- Mental health and wellbeing
- Healthy eating and lifestyle
- Sleep and routines
- Growing up and changes
- Any other health worries

Where?

- **Carleton St. Hilda's Primary School, Poulton-le-Fylde**

When?

09:15am – 10:45am

- 13th November 2026

For more information about our service scan the QR code to our website, for general enquires or to make a referral, please contact our Single Point of Access Tel: 0300 247 0040 Email: vcl.019.singlepointofaccess2@nhs.net

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