SCHOOL MATTERS

Week Ending Friday 27th November 2026 Vol 5



LOVE LEARNING. LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

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



Autumn 2

Peace



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

(John 14:2)

CHINESE CULTURE

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Yang back to St Chad's. She will be delivering Chinese Culture sessions to some of our Key Stage 2 children on Thursday and Friday afternoons, where they will learn Chinese cooking, calligraphy, crafting and some Mandarin. It's good to have you back Mrs Yang!

欢迎回来

PARKING PERMITS

Please see our Parent App message about the positive changes to our parking permit which should help families using clubs and wraparound care, thanks to Mrs Stanton and Wyre Council.

Bishop's Appeal

The annual Bishops' Harvest Appeal has raised one of its highest totals ever to support its crisis-hit 'link diocese' - the Anglican Diocese of Liwolo in South Sudan. People in parishes and schools across Lancashire have raised an amazing total of £54,000 so far. £20,000 was given to Christian Aid and £34,000 to support a healthcare facility.

The Bishop of Liwolo, Rt Rev. Joseph Aba, has written a message to the people of Lancashire to thank them for their generosity:



> "We cherish your friendship, prayers and partnership. Your kindness has touched lives, restored hope and reminded our people that they are not forgotten."

Thank you to our Ethos Group who organised an assault course for classes to use and to all our families who donated to the Bishop's Appeal.

Happy Birthday Floki!

Floki celebrated his 3rd birthday this week- the children and staff gave him a lovely day!





From, Mrs Bitsakaki

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

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ATTENDANCE

School Attendance Target **98%**

Whole School Attendance is currently **96.35%**

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

CLASS ATTENDANCE CURRENTLY

EYFS	94.66%
Year 1	96.56%
Year 2	97.14%
Year 3	96.45%
Year 4	97.87%
Year 5	97.27%
Year 6	95.76%

CALENDAR DATES

DECEMBER

8th	KS2 Carol Concert - 1:30pm
8th	EDJ Forum for parents - 4-4:30pm
10th	Christmas Jumper Day - Bring a bottle or a chocolate donation
10th	School Panto - Pay on SCOPAY
10th&11th	Elf Run - Festive fundraiser for Brian House
11th	School Choir singing for grandparents
14th	Christmas Dinner
15th	EYFS/KS1 Nativity for Parents - 1:45pm
16th	Whole school Christmas party
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
18th	EYFS art exhibition - 3:15 to 3:45pm
19th	Y1 art exhibition - 3:15 to 3:45pm
20th	Y3 art exhibition - 3:15 to 3:45pm
21st	Y4 art exhibition - 3:15 to 3:45pm
22nd	Y6 art exhibition - 3:15 to 3:45pm
25th	Y2 art exhibition - 3:15 to 3:45pm
26th	Y5 art exhibition - 3:15 to 3:45pm

FEBRUARY

1st	Y6 Visit to a Temple - Proposed date
2nd	Y1/Y2 Vist to a Mosque
3rd	EYFS/Y1 Vist to a Mosque
5th	Y3 Gurdwara trip
8th	Whole class photos *Date change*
8th	Parents Evening
9th	Y5 Visit to a Temple - Proposed date
9th	Y4 Gurdwara trip
11th	Parents Evening
12th	School closes for half term
22nd	Back to school
22nd -26th	Pop Up Pool

MARCH

1st -5th	Pop Up Pool
3rd	WWF day
22nd	Easter Service - 9:30am Church
25th	Break up for Easter - 2pm close

STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 13TH NOVEMBER

	STARS OF THE WEEK	LEARNERS OF THE WEEK
EYFS	George P	Raffie
YEAR 1	Dana	Archie
CREATIVE CORNER	Luca	Connie
YEAR 2	Alice	Reuben
YEAR 3	George	Albie
YEAR 4	Ella	Francesca
YEAR 5	Flynn	Darcie
YEAR 6	Ruby	Hallie

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Mr Graham

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Mr McKay

TIDY CLASSROOM

KS1	KS2
EYFS	Year 3

HOUSE POINT WINNERS Red Pandas



CLASS OF THE WEEK
YEAR 2

STARS OF THE WEEK



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



STARS AND LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 20TH NOVEMBER

	STARS OF THE WEEK	LEARNERS OF THE WEEK
EYFS	Verity	Mina
YEAR 1	Harry	Scarlet
CREATIVE CORNER	Cleo	Louis
YEAR 2	Kleo	Inaya
YEAR 3	Eadie	Hugo
YEAR 4	Mable	Esme
YEAR 5	Georgia	Luna
YEAR 6	Nancy	Jacob

TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Miss Dodd

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE WEEK

Mrs Thushanthan

TIDY CLASSROOM

KS1 Year 2

KS2 Year 4

HOUSE POINT WINNERS Blue Elephants



CLASS OF THE WEEK

YEAR 2

STARS OF THE WEEK



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



Headteacher's Award w/e 13th November



George P
EYFS



Evie
Y1

Floki Award



Violet
Y5



SIBLING SUCCESS

Headteacher's Award w/e 20th November



Reeva
Y5



Charlie
Y6

Floki Award



Zach
Y6



LOOK AT OUR LEARNING

KEY STAGE 1

EYFS



In reception we have been learning all about how Christians celebrate Christmas, we talked about the nativity story and decorated our class to show how we celebrate Christmas.

YEAR 1



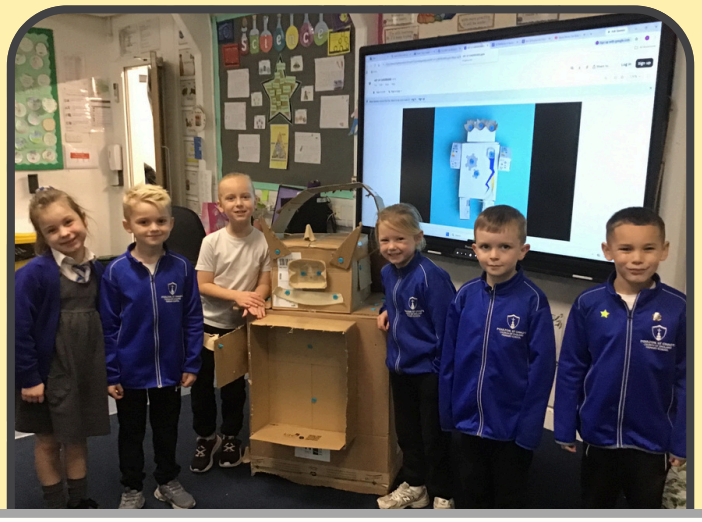
In history, we have been exploring toys from the past and discovering how children played long ago.

CREATIVE CORNER



This week in Creative, we have been making some rainforest animal masks to use in role play for the characters in our books.

YEAR 2

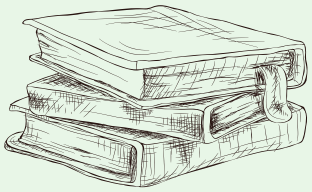


Year 2 have been enjoying rocket day. We have made a cardboard robot.



LOOK AT OUR LEARNING

KEY STAGE 2



YEAR 3



Year 3 have been learning all about Rocks in Science. Here we are testing the hardness of different rocks and comparing our results.

YEAR 4



We all loved making our rockets on Rocket Day! Some fantastic teamwork from the children and their rockets all flew really well!

YEAR 5



Year 5 have been exploring different ways of travelling through space using their own unique dance moves. They had to think carefully about the space around them and, when they came close to another dancer, copy their movements!

YEAR 6



Year 6 worked with their EYFS Buddies and carried out a nature hunt in the school grounds, searching for a range of vertebrates and invertebrates.

YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 ART WORK















Year 5 and Year6 have been taking part in a Big Draw competition held by Blackpool Sixth where they had to create a design based on a particular theme or artist. These designs were then judged by Miss Whorlton-Jones and the twenty winners (ten from each class) had to replicate their designs on a cup. These cups were then collected and are displayed at Blackpool Sixth, A big thank you to Mrs Goodinson for all her help and support at Blackpool Sixth throughout the competition.



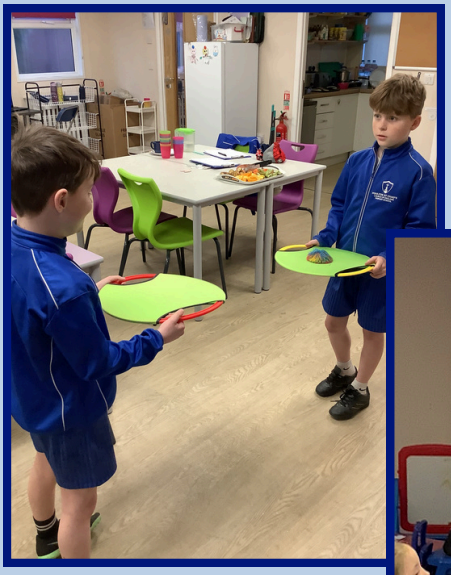














Thank you to Mrs Yang for running the Chinese Club for OOSC



OOSC Activities











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

2026 Poulton Christmas Festival

FRIDAY 4th DECEMBER

The FUN STARTS at 12 NOON!



CHRISTMAS MARKET STALLS ★ CHILDREN'S RIDES
FESTIVE FOOD & DRINK ★ MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT

4:15pm

LIGHTING OF THE CRIB
CHRISTMAS TREE SWITCH-ON

5:15pm

SANTA ARRIVES
"SING-A-LONG WITH SANTA"
...and much more!



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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

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