



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary & Nursery School News

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Never get tired of doing little things for others. Sometimes, those little things take up a big place in their heart!



Friday 23rd January 2026

Our Gospel Value Service



I hope that you have all had a great week. It's been quite a busy week in school as we continue to work through our different themes. This week on Monday our assembly focused on how we are beginning to see Jesus true identity following his baptism. In the afternoon Willow Class continued with their swimming sessions at Carnforth pool. On Tuesday, we had a visit from Life Education and Harold. The children had some amazing sessions with Katy and learnt a lot about relationships and looking after themselves. I was very sad to have missed this due to DSL training. In the afternoon, Morecambe Football Club came to do some different activities and Mrs Bowden continued with music with Oak and Willow Classes. On Wednesday, the children in EYFS had another visit from the Mini City, they really had a fantastic time. It was great seeing Superman, Spiderman and Batman flying around the hall whilst some of the children were doing their shopping at the supermarket! Wouldn't it be great if they did an adult version? We also had a visit from Katie who works with the English Hub. She came to see how well all the children were doing in Phonics and gave us some advice about developing the library further. She has also suggested that we hold another Reading Workshop for parents so please look out for a date coming soon. Today, we have enjoyed some singing and have ended the week with our Celebration Assembly. I really enjoyed showing some paintings and lego models as well as giving all our usual certificates.



Next week, is quite a busy one with unfortunately me being out of school for a few days. On Monday we will begin the week with assembly where we will learn about following Jesus. We also have a water check. On Tuesday, I will be visiting the Maths Hub looking at Maths in Year 1 & 2 and on Wednesday we have our Dental Checks for all our five-year-olds. On Thursday, I have SEND training in Penrith and there is a cross-country competition. On Friday, I have a Headteacher Operations Meeting so Miss Townson will take Celebration assembly for me at the usual time of 3pm.

As always, if anyone has any concerns or worries, please do not hesitate to call, and make an appointment to see us; we are always happy to help and support families as best we can.

Liz Kendall



Our VIP's this week are:

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| LITTLE ACORNS (Nursery) | |
| Leo Fullard | |
| CHESTNUT CLASS | |
| Elodie Lambden-Norrie | |
| ELDER CLASS | |
| Maya Thomas | |
| WILLOW CLASS | |
| Theo Dayton | |
| OAK CLASS | |
| Olivia Kowalik | |
| WELFARE AWARDS | |
| Elodie Lambden-Norrie | Hollie Edmondson |

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM

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| LITTLE ACORNS & CHESTNUT CLASS In Little Acorns we have had a visit from our lovely Mini City Role Play this week. |
| ELDER CLASS In Elder Class this week, we have learnt about Peter rabbit and the author Beatrix Potter. |
| WILLOW CLASS In Willow Class this week, we have explored area of rectilinear shapes. |
| OAK CLASS In Oak Class this week, we have enjoyed learning all about how to simplify fractions. |

PRAYER & LITURGY

The first disciples were born into families of fishermen. Jesus called them and they gave up everything to follow Him. In our assemblies, the children will hear that God has a deeper purpose for us all. God invites us to hear His call and respond to the amazing plans He has for.



SCHOOL LUNCHES
Next week is **Week 1**



Attendance Update

We are trying really hard to improve attendance in school so that we reach the national targets. The children's target is 95%. Let's all keep trying to work hard to improve our attendance.

This week

| Chestnut Class | Elder Class | Willow Class | Oak Class |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
| 83.64% | 91.67% | 85.83% | 94.4% |

Well done to **OAK CLASS**



NEW TEN:TEN PARENTS NEWSLETTER

We have put the new Parents Information for Collective Worship

onto the school website. Go to Key Information – Collective Worship and click. Please have a look at some of the things we will be talking about in assemblies over the next few weeks.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Thank you all for your patience. We are really struggling to get this working well so please continue to bear with us. I will continue to use Reach More as well as putting what I can on the website.



OPERATION ENCOMPASS

Just a little reminder that we are proud to be part of **Operation Encompass**, a scheme that helps us support children who may be affected by domestic abuse at home.

This initiative works by having the police notify us—before the start of the school day—if they have been called to an incident involving one of our children. This ensures we can offer the right support when it is needed most.

Our role is to:

Provide a safe and understanding environment for your child.

Offer emotional support and reassurance.
Help them focus on their learning and wellbeing during the school day.

We handle this information with care, ensuring it remains confidential and is only shared with those who need to support your child effectively.



Autumn Diary

Dates

We have included as many dates as we are aware of at this time. We will keep updating this, the school website and will send texts as reminders.

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| Monday 26 th January | 9am Assembly 2.15pm Willow Class Swimming |
| Tuesday 27 th January | 1.15pm Morecambe Football Club & Music (Oak & Willow Class) |
| Wednesday 28 th January | 10am Dentist Visit (Reception) |
| Thursday 29 th January | Cross-country Competition (Warton Primary School) |
| Friday 30 th January | 3pm Celebration Assembly |
| Monday 2 nd February | 9am Assembly 2.15pm Willow Class Swimming |
| Tuesday 3 rd February | 1.15pm Morecambe Football Club & Music (Oak & Willow Class) |
| Wednesday 4 th February | School Improvement Visit (MCMAT) |
| Friday 6 th February | 3pm Celebration Assembly |
| Monday 9 th February | 9am Assembly 2.15pm Willow Class Swimming |
| Tuesday 10 th February | 4pm Finance, Premises and Health & Safety Governors meeting 5pm Staffing Governors meeting |
| Wednesday 11 th February | The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes |
| Thursday 12 th February | 4pm Curriculum Governors Meeting |
| Friday 13 th February | 3pm Celebration Assembly School Closes for the Half Term break |



COMMUNITY NEWS



What's on at our centres? Spring 2026 Jan - Feb



Morecambe Central (Library) LA4 5DL



| Monday | Thursday | Saturday |
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| Development Matters (0-5 years) 9.30am-11am | Coffee & Connect 9.30am-11.30am 1st Thursday of the month | MATCH 10am-12 noon Every 1st Saturday of the month |
| Infant Massage (Pre-book) 1pm-2pm | Baby & You Sensory Time (0- to pre-walking) 1pm-2pm | |
| School's Out (8-11 years) 3.30pm-4.45pm | Friday NCT Breastfeeding Peer Group 11.30am-1pm | |

Monday

Baby & You (0-pre-walking) 10am-11am

Lune Park LA1 2LN



| Tuesday | Wednesday | Friday |
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| Mucky Makers 9.30am - 10.30am | Development Matters 9.45am-11.15am | Mini Move & Groove (0-5 years) 9.30am-11am |
| Infant Massage (Pre-book) 11am-12pm | | |
| Chatter Play (0-5 years) 1pm - 2.30pm | Thursday Colourful Footsteps (0-8 years Additional Needs) 1pm-2.30pm | SEND Support Group 1pm-3pm 1st Friday of the month |
| Wellcomm Screening (Pre-book) 1pm-2.30pm | | |



Westgate Hub LA4 4XF

| Tuesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Baby & You (0-pre-walking) 10am-11am | Chatter Play (0-5 years) 9.30am-11am | Development Matters (0-5 years) 9.30am-11.00am |
| | Infant Massage (Pre book) 1pm-2pm | Babbling Babies (0-18 months) 1pm-2pm |

Carnforth LA5 9LS



| Monday | Friday |
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| The Listening Lounge 9.30am-11.30am 1st Monday of the month | Carnforth Food Club 2pm-4pm |
| Babbling Babies (0-18 months) 1pm-2pm | |
| School's Out (8-11 years) 3.30pm-4.30pm | |

Sandylands Community Hub LA3 1EJ

| Tuesday |
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| Early Explorers 9.15am-10.15am |

Salt Ayr Leisure Centre LA1 5JS

| Thursday |
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| Ready, Steady, Go! 1pm-2.30pm |

Firbank Centre LA1 3HL

| Wednesday |
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| Infant Massage (Pre book) 1pm-2pm |

| Online |
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| Wednesday Virtual Brew & You 10.30-11.30am Virtual peer support drop-in for Mental Health Please call 01524 581280 for more information |

Courses

- Our bookable sessions/courses are;
- Bump, Birth & Beyond (Antenatal);
 - Infant Massage (Attachment and Bonding)
 - Wellcomm Screening (Speech and Language)
 - Nurture Parenting Programme (Parenting Support)
 - New Horizons (Self-esteem and Personal Development)



To book onto these, please call us on 01524 581280, book online at the link below, <https://events.apps.lancashire.gov.uk/w/webpage/all-events> or scan the QR Code.

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Lancaster and Morecambe Family Hubs
Lancasterfamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk
Children and Family Wellbeing Service

Lancashire County Council
FAMILY HUBS NETWORK

The Nurture Parenting Programme

How to get the best out of family life

Children are rewarding, stimulating and fun, but looking after them can be stressful and challenging. The Nurturing Programme helps deal with those challenges.

| Centre | Time | Date |
|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Westgate | 9:30-11:30 | 12/1/2026 |
| Lune Park | 9:30- 11:30 | 15/1/2026 |
| Westgate | 9:30- 11:30 | 20/4/2026 |
| Lune Park | 9:30- 11:30 | 23/4/2026 |
| Westgate | 9:30-11:30 | 14/9/2026 |
| Lune Park | 9:30-11:30 | 17/9/2026 |



This programme is for parents with children aged 3-11 years and runs for 10 weeks. Call 01524 581280 to book on or see QR link



BREW & YOU



FEELING OVERWHELMED, ISOLATED, OR JUST IN NEED OF A CHAT WITH PEOPLE WHO GET IT? YOU'RE NOT ALONE

WHY NOT JOIN US ON OUR WEEKLY VIRTUAL PEER SUPPORT GROUP



WHETHER YOU'RE NAVIGATING YOUR OWN MENTAL HEALTH OR SUPPORTING A CHILD, PARTNER, OR LOVED ONE. THIS GROUP IS FOR ALL.

OUR SUPPORT GROUP IS A WARM, WELCOMING SPACE WHERE YOU CAN CONNECT WITH OTHERS WHO TRULY UNDERSTAND.

EVERY WEDNESDAY 10:30-11:30AM
PLEASE CALL 01524 581280 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LINK

GRAB A BREW AND JOIN US

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