



Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary & Nursery School News

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Our Gospel Value **Honesty**

I hope that you had an amazing Easter break and if you managed to get to church wasn't it lovely to see Fr John again. We have had a lovely first week back to school and it has been great to see everyone getting back into their learning – I have given lots of credit sweets out this week! The weather has also helped because everyone feels much better when it is sunny!

This week, on Monday we began to think about Eastertide in assembly and we heard the gospel of the road to Emmaus. In Elder class we welcomed a trainee teacher Miss Sheikh who will be working with us until the end of June. She was very happy to meet all of our lovely children. On Tuesday, unfortunately Miss Bowden was unable to come for Music but, the children in Oak and Willow Class had a great gymnastic session with Mr Morris. On Thursday, the children in Oak class went on a walk along the canal as part of the work that they have been doing with the Canal & River trust. They had a great time and learnt lots. Today, we have had some singing practice and have celebrated achievements from the week with the children in celebration assembly. I got to show some models including a model plane (thank you Theo for letting me see it)!



Next week, we will begin with our assembly where we will think about the lost sheep. Year 6 will also be completing their Health Needs assessments. On Tuesday, unfortunately Mr Westwood will not be in school and so Miss Ferdinand Lloyd-Judson will be in class and we also have a risk protection audit. I will also be having a meeting about a Maths family project that we may be able to get involved with. On Thursday, Reception and Year 6 will be having their height and weight checks and on Friday we have Tiny Pixels coming to school to take our annual class photographs – so the staff will need to comb their hair!!! We will end the week with Celebration Assembly at 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.



Our VIP's this week are:

LITTLE ACORNS (Nursery)	
Rex Cross-Heaton	
CHESTNUT CLASS	
Hadleigh Hutchinson	
ELDER CLASS	
Cole Walker	
WILLOW CLASS	
Alayah-Jayne Stephenson	
OAK CLASS	
Malachi Gwata	
WELFARE AWARDS	
Oscar Dayton	Alexander Kowalik

SCHOOL LUNCHES
Next week is **Week 2**



Liz Kendall

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM

LITTLE ACORNS & CHESTNUT CLASS

In Little Acorns we have been learning about how we can look after our oceans.

ELDER CLASS

In Elder Class this week, we have been recognising coins and notes and been shopping.

WILLOW CLASS

In Willow Class this week, we have explored numerators and denominators while working with fractions.

OAK CLASS

In Oak Class this week, we have been looking after our local area and planting flowers along the canal.

PRAYER & LITURGY

In this week's assemblies we will be marking Vocation Sunday, by sharing videos from people living out their vocation. They remind us that our common vocation - to love God and others is the way to live life to the full. Children are invited to



pray for those living out their vocation and consider their own calling.

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.

Over the next few weeks if your child's attendance is below 90% you will be invited to an attendance meeting to discuss how we can support you.

This week

Chestnut Class	Elder Class	Willow Class	Oak Class
90%	91.11%	90.91%	93.46%

Well done to **OAK CLASS**
Well done everyone you have all improved your attendance this week!

SOME SAD NEWS

I was very sad to hear on Saturday that Fr Peter has decided that he will be taking early retirement due to his recent health concerns (he is 71). As our parish priest as well as our school priest we will miss him very much. He was always very calm and gentle. I am sure that the parish will be saying goodbye in some way and as soon as I know more, I will let you know. In the meantime, please keep Fr Peter in your thoughts and prayers.



CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

These will take place on Friday (1st May) and we will let you know the codes for the images as soon as they are available.

SCHOOL GATES

Just a reminder that the gates open as staff go out at about 8.45am. Please make sure that children are not arriving before this – thank you 😊



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.

Monday 27 th April	EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS BEGIN
Tuesday 28 th April	Risk Protection Audit 12.30pm National Numeracy Schools & Families Project
Thursday 30 th April	Height & Weight Checks (Rec/Year 6)
Friday 1 st May	TINY PIXELS 3pm Celebration Assembly
Monday 4 th May	MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
Wednesday 6 th May	USA Sports Festival (Y4&5)
Friday 8 th May	English Hub Visit 3pm Celebration Assembly
Monday 11 th May	SATs WEEK
Friday 15 th May	3pm Celebration Assembly
Friday 22 nd May	3pm Celebration Assembly School Closes for Half Term Break

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

You will have received a letter today detailing the clubs that the staff will be offering over the next term. They will begin the week beginning 27th April and will finish at the end of June. Please return your consent forms as soon as possible.



COMMUNITY NEWS



SCHOOL'S OUT

FREE ACTIVITIES
COME ALONG AND JOIN THE FUN!
8-11 YEAR OLDS

CARNFORTH FAMILY HUB
KELLET ROAD
LA5 9LS
MONDAY
3:30PM-4:30PM



HELP MAKE
TASTY FOOD

MORECAMBE LIBRARY
CENTRAL DRIVE,
MORECAMBE
LA4 5DL
MONDAY
3:30-4:45PM



ENJOY EACH
OTHERS
COMPANY
AND MEET NEW
FRIENDS



POOL TABLE



GAMES AND MORE



TABLE TENNIS

For more information call 01524 581280



HELP ME GET READY FOR SCHOOL

Is your child starting school? Are you prepared?

Come along to our 3 sessions to support your child's journey into their primary education in a fun and interactive way.

THURSDAY 7th, 14th AND 21st MAY
9:30-11AM

FIRBANK FAMILY HUB, FIRBANK ROAD, LA1 3HL

- Breakfast station with refreshments for everyone
- "Getting school ready" themed activities with prizes and freebies
- Advice, tips and guidance for being school ready
- Open for children with their parents/carers and have the opportunity to meet others you might be starting school with



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

Does your child have SEND? Wondering what we offer?

Riding the Rapids

This is a free 10-session programme for parents and carers of:
Primary age children with additional needs in mainstream education, including those with autism or awaiting an autism assessment.
Children with mild/moderate/significant learning difficulties.

Find out about why distress-related behaviours happen.
Practical strategies to support your child at home.
Sensory and communication approaches that meet your child's needs.
How to support your child during moments of high stress.
Ways to look after your own wellbeing.
Connecting with others who understand.

Colourful Footsteps

Drop in group
These sessions are for children with physical, learning, behavioural and emotional difficulties along with their families.
Open to those with, or without an official diagnosis.
We provide an inclusive environment, with opportunities for learning, development, and support.

Term Time:
Thursday 1pm - 2.30pm 0-8 years

School Holidays:
Tuesday 10am - 11.30am 5-11 years
Thursday 1pm - 2.30pm 0-8 years

Older/younger siblings welcomed to attend, but please note that activities on offer are designed for the age range of the group.

Poulton Sensory Room

Our Sensory Room at Poulton Neighbourhood Centre, Clark Street, LA4 5HT is available for bookings.
Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm.
Free to book for 1 hour each week.

Call **01524 581280** to book a slot.

SEND EASY Group

A youth group for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

Morecambe Central Library
Monday 6.15pm - 8.30pm

Contact **Charlie Bluglass** to book on
0797723886

POWAR

POWAR is the youth voice forum for young people with SEND, aged 11-25, in Lancashire.

POWAR provides a space for young people to explore issues related to them and to challenge and advocate on the services they receive.
We are here to make changes across Lancashire - to improve services for young people with SEND and to have fun!

Contact **Suliman Hussain** for more information on
01772 537481



One Stop Shop

Drop in advice/support session
Firbank Centre
9.30am - 11.30am

2nd Wednesday of the month
Term time only

Coffee & Connect

Drop in advice/support session
Morecambe Central Library
9.30am - 11.30am

1st Thursday of the month
Term time only

SEND Support Group

A drop in session for parents/carers of children with SEND to access support/advice.

Lune Park
Friday 1pm - 3pm
1st Friday of the month



For more information call **01524 581280** or scan the QR code.