



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Friday 21st November 2025

Mission Statement

We work, learn and grow together in God's love



Congratulations to **Joseph Hales** for receiving the **Headteacher's Award** this week. Joseph is such a role model for how we should treat other people. He shows kindness and respect to everyone as well as having excellent learning behaviour . Well done Joseph!

STARS OF THE WEEK

Year Group	Worker of the week	Worker of the week	Values Award
Reception	Jacob Owen	Logan Bain	Rory Turton-McBride
Year One	Dylan Hailwood	Isobel Kenyon	Rosie Roberts
Year Two	Leif Faulkner	Rory Peet	Rhea Thiem-Lowe
Year Three	Millie Johnson	Grayson Reid	Theo Sagar
Year Four	Alexander Holden	Mathew Green	Noah Crawford
Year Five	Darcey Power	Matilda Speakman	Pepe Shivnan
Year Six	Maxwell Holden	Kate Skelly	Polly Parker

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PARKING ON ROTHWELL ROAD

Please have consideration for our neighbours when parking on Rothwell Road.

Please use the Church car park where possible.

Please DO NOT park on pavements, block access for emergency vehicles or use the bays opposite school to park as these are for residents only.

Thank you for your co-operation

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CINEMA TRIP

We are very excited for our annual trip to the cinema for our Christmas treat. This will take place on Thursday 18th December. The children will be watching **Zootropolis 2**. Payments can now be made on Eduspot but we must thank the PTFA for paying for the coaches as this helps us reduce the costs hugely.



CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Please note the following dates for the annual Christmas performances: **Tickets are in bags today for Yrs 1 & 2 performances. Please return any spare tickets to the office.**

EYFS—December 3rd and 4th—9:30am



YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2—

December 10th 6pm and December 11th 2pm (entrance by ticket only)

KEY STAGE 2— In Church on Monday 15th December at 5.30pm (more details to follow).

GENTLE REMINDER

Please can we just remind everyone that **long hair** must be **tied up** for school.

This is part of our uniform policy for the safety of the pupils. Thank



PARENTS' EVENINGS

Please note the dates for Parents' Evenings. These will take place on Monday **November 24th** and Monday **December 1st**.

The links for you to sign up to meet with your child's teacher on one of the evenings have been sent out.



Parents Evening

FAMILY OF PARISHES CHRISTMAS CONCERT

We have been asked to share and promote and share a concert which takes place on Saturday 6th December at Sacred Heart Church in Chorley.

Tickets are available to buy from the school office

Please see flier below.

Scholastic Book Fair

The annual book fair is in the hall after school until Monday 24th November and will be available during parents' evening. There are some lovely books available which make lovely gifts in the weeks ahead.



PTFA DATES

Please note the following PTFA dates in your diaries for the lead up to Christmas.

November 28th—Non-uniform day—bottles

December 4th—Christmas Fair 5:00pm-7:00pm



Following in the footsteps of St Joseph

"Peace begins with a smile."

Mother Teresa



Dates for 2025—2026

Date	Event	Date	Event
19th— 24th	Scholastic Book Fair—after school daily in the hall	17th	Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
24th	Parents' Evening— Please pre book via School Spider	18th	Whole School Cinema Trip
28th	Non-Uniform day—bottles for the fair	19th	School Closes for Christmas
<u>DEC</u> 1st	Parents' Evening Elf Behaving Badly Menu		
3rd	EYFS Christmas Production @ 9.30am		
4th	EYFS Christmas Production @ 9.30am		
4th	PTFA Christmas Fair 5-7pm		
8th	Reception Vision Screening Guitar Concert @ 2.30pm		
10th	KS1 Christmas Production@ 6pm		
11th	KS1 Christmas Production @ 2pm		



St Joseph's PTA
CHRISTMAS
FAIR 2025

THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER 5-7PM

MEET SANTA . RAFFLE . GAMES . TOMBOLA . FOOD & DRINK

This is a CASH ONLY event except Christmas Photoshoot.

Book Santa & Photo Session on the door.



S&J Walkden Photography & Film
supporting St Joseph's PTFA

Christmas Photo Shoot

Only
£10

BOOK TODAY AT: PTFA
LOUISE - 07889 542776 OR
ON THE DOOR ON THE
NIGHT. CASH AND CARDS
ACCEPTED.

CHRISTMAS FAIR - 4TH DECEMBER 5-7PM

Includes

CHRISTMAS BACKDROP

A QR CODE LOGIN TO VIEW PHOTOS

INITIAL £10 DEDUCTED FROM ANY DIGITAL OR
PRINT PURCHASES FROM THE ONLINE SHOP



**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
PRIMARY**

APPLY NOW!
at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2026

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2025 and 31 August 2026.

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 2026

School transport



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.



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SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

Come to our

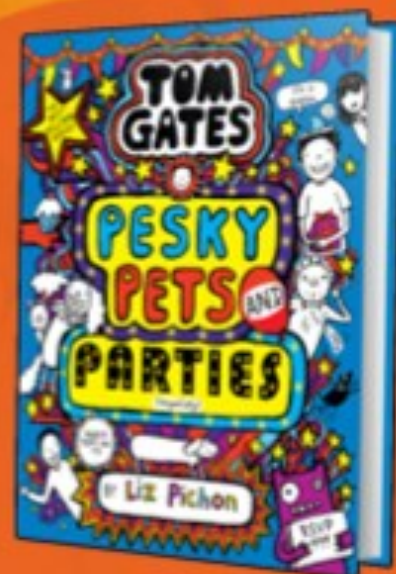
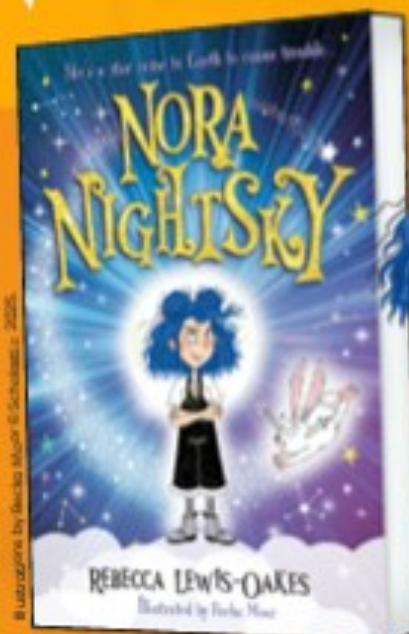
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you buy earns
FREE
BOOKS
for our school!

to spot the books you'll
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DATE:

19-24th Nov

TIME:

3.30-4pm

LOCATION:

St. Joseph's School Hall



FAMILY OF PARISHES PRESENT

**A CHRISTMAS
CONCERT
WITH
CHORLEY
SILVER BAND**

**ALSO ON THE
DAY:
TOMBOLA
RAFFLE
REFRESHMENTS
& STALLS**

SAT 6TH DECEMBER

SACRED HEART CHURCH, BROOKE STREET CHORLEY

**DOORS OPEN AT 2PM, WITH THE
PERFORMANCE COMMENCING AT 3PM**

£2 ENTRY TICKETS NOW ON SALE

AVAILABLE TO BUY FROM OUR SCHOOL OFFICE*

***OR AT CHURCH VIA KEVIN OR LINDA HOOLE.
& ON THE ACTUAL DAY AT THE DOOR ENTRANCE**

The One Stop Shop is a drop in where families can access support from different services under one roof.

We offer a warm welcome, refreshments, and an opportunity to get help with:

Housing

Finance

Accessing food banks

Mental health support

Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Relationship's

Targeted Youth Support

Sexual Health

Substance / alcohol

... & more



Drop-in
2nd Thursday of
every month
9am till 12noon

@

Inspire Youth Zone
Chapel St
Chorley
PR7 1BS

Children and Family
Wellbeing Service

Tel: 01257 516 316

Email:

Chorleyfamilyhub@lancashire.gov.uk



FAMILY
HUB
CHORLEY

2nd Thursday of
every month!



lancashire.gov.uk



Lancashire
County Council

SERVICES HERE TO HELP

2nd Thursday, Monthly

Get help with referrals for further support, and access to a range of community agencies, as well as information on lots of free groups (including parenting, domestic abuse, relationship communication, speech & language, and pre-school play sessions).



Inspire
Youth Zone



Unify
Credit Union



Chorley
Buddies



Places For
People



Social
Prescribing



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advice

Lancashire
West

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Central
Lancashire



Lancashire Talking
Therapies Talking Therapies



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NEST
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Children &
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Service



... & more!



SVP Chorley Buddies

We're Helping

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Chorley Council

Activity Classes



Good Food Clubs



Community Café



Craft Club



Children's Activities



Part of the SVP Nationally



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St Vincent de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Seated Yoga Adlington Library 9:30-10:30am. FREE to all.	St Joseph's Good Food Club St Joseph's Parish Centre, Harpers Lane, Chorley 10:30-11:15am, followed by refreshments. £5 to shop and donations for refreshments.	Coppull Good Food Club St John the Divine Parish Hall, Coppull 10:30-11:15am, followed by refreshments. £5 to shop and donations for refreshments.	Buttermere Good Food Club Buttermere Community Centre, Chorley 10:30-11:15am, followed by refreshments. £5 to shop and donations for refreshments.	Clayton Brook Good Food Club Clayton Brook Village Hall, Clayton-le-Woods 10:30-11:15am. £5 to shop and refreshments available in the Café.
Knit and Natter Primrose Gardens, Chorley 10am-12pm. Donations welcome.	Seated Yoga Adlington Library 11am-12pm. FREE to all.	Gardening Club Buttermere Community Centre, Chorley 11:00am-12:00pm. FREE to all.	Seated Exercise Ravensthorpe Independent Living Accommodation, Astley Village 10:30am-11:30pm. £3 suggested donation.	Aquarobics All Seasons Leisure Centre, Chorley 3-4pm. Term time only. £5 suggested donation.
Kids Arts and Crafts Coppull Library 3:30-4:30pm. Term time only.	Chair Fit Euxton Community Centre, 11:15am-12:15pm. £3 suggested donation.	Lunch Social 2nd Wednesday of the month St Chad's Parish Centre from 12-2pm BOOKING ESSENTIAL Donations welcome.		
	Lunch Social 4th Tuesday of the month Buttermere Community Centre, Chorley from 12-2pm. BOOKING ESSENTIAL Donations welcome.	Buddies Café Buttermere Community Centre, Chorley 9am-3pm Affordable café with crafts running from 12:30-2pm Everyone welcome		
	Seated Exercise All Seasons Leisure Centre, Chorley 3-4pm. £5 suggested donation.	Chair Fit Croston Old School, Church Street, Croston 1:30-2:30pm. £3 suggested donation.		



SCAN TO DONATE



HORWICH **CHRISTMAS 2025** **HOLIDAY CLUB!**

Fun Activities for children aged 4-12 years...

22-23
DEC
2025

LOCATION: Chorley New Road
Primary School, Horwich, BL6 6EW

TIME: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about AI-GENERATED VIDEOS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AI-generated videos are increasingly difficult to spot and easy to share. From fake news clips to deepfake abuse, children and young people face new risks every day online. These videos can imitate real people, spread false narratives or even generate harmful content from scratch. Understanding these dangers is crucial for schools and families who want to protect children in a fast-evolving digital world.

DEEPAKE ABUSE CONTENT

Shockingly, artificial intelligence is now being exploited to create child sexual abuse material (CSAM). These synthetic images and videos are a form of digital abuse, often generated by manipulating real children's photos, including ones shared innocently online. Worryingly, the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) has identified a sharp rise in this disturbing trend. Whether real or AI-generated, this content causes lasting trauma – and its creation or possession remains a criminal offence under UK law.

BLURRED REALITY

Regular exposure to fake content can erode a child's trust in real-world evidence. If everything can be faked, they may begin to question genuine videos – including actual abuse or injustice. This is known as the 'liar's dividend', where real harm is dismissed as fake news. It can discourage victims from coming forward or speaking up.

USED FOR BULLYING

Deepfake technology is already being used by peers to create embarrassing or explicit clips of classmates. These videos can be edited to appear as though a child said or did something they never did. Once shared, they are almost impossible to delete completely. AI-generated bullying adds a new layer of harm that is deeply personal and difficult to prove.

EMOTIONAL MANIPULATION

AI-generated videos can be used to provoke strong emotions, including fear, anger or guilt. Fake footage of crying children, injured animals or burning buildings may be created purely for clicks, donations or political influence. Children may feel upset or powerless, unaware that what they are watching has been digitally invented to manipulate their reaction.

DISINFORMATION

AI-generated videos can spread fake news, making it harder for children to separate fact from fiction. Fake clips may include deepfake interviews, hoax disasters or fabricated health claims. AI is already being used to produce misleading or persuasive material that appears authentic. If they don't develop media literacy, children may accept false content as truth.

IMPERSONATION AND SCAMS

With just a few photos or voice clips, AI tools can imitate someone's appearance or speech. This makes it easier for scammers or bullies to create fake videos of children, teachers or celebrities. These impersonations can be used for fraud, harassment or humiliation – and can spread quickly through social media or group chats, due to the viral potential of video, in particular, on social media.

Advice for Parents & Educators

TEACH HOW IT WORKS

Explain to children that videos can be faked – and show them how. Demonstrating side-by-side examples of real vs AI-generated clips helps to build awareness. Discuss how faces, voices and even movements can be copied by machines. Understanding the technology reduces fear and builds confidence in navigating digital content safely.

TALK ABOUT TRUST

Always keep lines of communication open. If a child sees something upsetting or unbelievable, they should feel safe discussing it without judgement. Create an environment where they know they will not get in trouble for asking questions. This also helps you step in quickly if harmful content has been shared; trust is vital and needs to be nurtured.

ENCOURAGE CRITICAL QUESTIONS

Help children question what they watch. Who made this? Why was it made? Is it trying to persuade me? These habits encourage digital thinking, especially when videos seem too shocking or convenient. Reinforce that not everything shared by friends or influencers is true, even if it looks convincing at first, and that the initial approach should always be one of speculation.

STRENGTHEN PRIVACY SETTINGS

Advise children not to share voice notes, selfies or personal videos on public platforms. AI tools often scrape content from social media to create deepfakes. Use privacy controls to limit who can see their content and turn off facial recognition where possible. Fewer public images means fewer opportunities for misuse.

Meet Our Expert

Brendan O'Keefe is a headteacher and digital education consultant with over a decade of experience in education. As Director of Digital Strategy across multiple schools and an advisor to The National College, he specialises in digital safety, PREVENT, and pastoral care.



#WakeUpWednesday

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