

13<sup>th</sup> March 2026



# Newsletter

Congratulations to our winners this week!

Achievement and Ethos Awards

Zadie, James, Xander, All Year 1, Myles, Lydia, Year 3, Esther Y, Faith, Alfie, Juliette, All Year 5, Charlotte and Esther P

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done to everyone this week; there has been plenty going on and all our classes have excelled. Year 6 completed some practice SATS and remained calm and focused, showing superb maturity. Year 4 and 5 went to Abbey Grange to attend a multi sports session organised by their sixth formers. Year 1 were fantastic on their trip to Skelton Grange on the wettest day or a while!

Thank you for booking your parent consultation appointments – just a reminder that if you have not yet done this there is still time. Booking closes at 6.30pm today.

Next week, on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March parents and carers are invited to join us for coffee and an informal talk about the importance of reading and oracy, and at 9.10am you will be invited to classes to hear your child read. Thank you to FOSC for supporting us in hosting this event.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March is Comic Relief. We know with World Book Day recently and our upcoming Lent Appeal activities and some classes choosing to wear 'non-uniform' or 'wear a particular colour' we will be asking our children to wear uniform next Friday. Children can choose to wear something red e.g. socks, ribbon, a hat, a scarf, bring a red nose or similar. If you wish to donate through school to Comic Relief, we will be collecting; we know many of you will have donated directly, so there is no expectation.

Voting for parent governor has now closed. Thank you to those who have taken the time to vote, we will be in touch shortly with the outcome. For our reception parents if you have not yet completed the survey, we would love to hear from you. It closes at 9am on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March <https://tinyurl.com/StChadsSurvey2026>.

Tonight sees the infamous FOSC Curry and Quiz Night. We will let you know who wins on Monday especially if the teaching staff prevail!

Many thanks

*Guia Marsland*

## Year 4 and 5 Multi Sports at Abbey Grange

We had a wonderful visit to Abbey Grange for a multi sports session led by their fantastic sixth form students. They organised a range of fun and energetic activities, showing great leadership and encouragement throughout. Our children absolutely loved taking part and were so enthusiastic about the whole experience. We were very grateful for the time and effort the sixth formers put into the morning, and the class has written them some thank you letters to show our appreciation.





In Year 2, we have had a VERY exciting delivery!

To help with our science topic on life-cycles, we are looking after and observing the life-cycle of a butterfly.

We have 5 caterpillars at the moment and are eagerly waiting to see some changes.

Year 2 have beautifully welcomed the caterpillars with some amazing drawings to surround their pot.

We cannot wait to see what happens and eventually release them into the wild!



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Year 1 visited Skelton Grange on their school trip this week. We had such a great time pond dipping, creating leaf pictures and learning about trees and animals in their habitats. We also went on a minibeast hunt. Orla said, 'It was the best school trip ever.' The children were a true credit to St Chad's for their manners, great questions and good listening skills. Thanks to Sam and Chris for making our day educational, engaging and great fun!



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## Lent Appeal/ Student Council Assembly

A huge thank you to School Council who have been beavering away and planning Lent Appeal for St. Chad's. It was great to have our elected leaders collaborate together and present the ways in which we will be raising money for MECAP and Leed's Women's Aid.





In Nursery with Mrs. Lee we have been planting 'dwarf' sunflower seeds as part of our Understanding of The World sessions



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OOHA's Reading Picnic!  
For world book day OOHA gathered outside to have a reading picnic, we got cosy on picnic blankets and shared our favourite stories with each other whilst eating yummy picnic food. We also voted for and had our favourite story read to us by an adult inside!





## Working in Partnership with Parents

At St. Chad's, we believe that the strongest support for children happens when school and home work together. Parents know their children best, and your insight helps us understand what motivates them, what they find tricky, and what helps them feel secure.

When a child receives SEND support, we make time to listen carefully to parents' views and to share what we are seeing in school. This might happen at SEND Support Plan review meetings or at another time. These conversations help us build a shared understanding and agree on the best next steps. Support is most effective when children experience consistency between home and school.

We also understand that it can sometimes feel worrying or overwhelming if concerns arise. Please be reassured that asking questions or sharing concerns will always be met with care and openness. Early conversations help us respond thoughtfully and avoid children feeling under pressure.

Our approach is rooted in trust, transparency and collaboration. By working together, we can support children's confidence, wellbeing and progress in a way that feels joined-up and reassuring for them.

### **Try this at home:**

Share changes you've noticed with school, even if they feel minor. Changes in sleep, routines or emotions can help us better understand how your child is experiencing their learning.

## Lent Appeal Years 1 and 2

**Fancy dress day!**  
Years 1 and 2 will be taking part in an obstacle race in fancy dress on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

**Please bring your donations on the day.**  
**Any fancy dress at all! 😊**

# Piano Lessons

at St. Chad's Academy



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## Piano Lessons at St. Chad's Academy

Link Learning are offering piano lessons at St. Chad's Academy. Lessons are taken weekly during the school day during term time. We'll be in touch with you once we receive your registration to answer any questions you may have.

All our tutors are enthusiastic musicians able to teach up to a high level and have recent DBS certificates.

For any queries please get in touch via telephone at 07305507504 or email at [admin@linklearning.education](mailto:admin@linklearning.education).

### What we offer

- Creative tuition tailored to the interests and learning style of the individual
- Digital resource pack
- Termly progress reports

### Tuition price

- Individual - £9 per lesson (15 minute duration)
- Individual - £18 per lesson (30 minute duration)
- Paired - £12 per lesson (30 minute duration)

**Please register at [www.linklearning.education/register](http://www.linklearning.education/register)**

LinkLearning is a team of teachers, musicians and artists who believe that every child should have the opportunity to develop and express their creativity.

We work with schools, children's hospitals and community centres to deliver high-quality creative activities that encourage exploration, discovery and experimentation.

In our music lessons we focus on the individual learning styles and interests of our pupils.

To learn more visit [linklearning.education](http://linklearning.education)

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## Belonging to a *talk-rich* Trust

**Abbey Trust**  
**Primary 100 Words**



### What does Oracy do?

#### Oracy will:

- Value your voice
- Improve your vocabulary
- Develop your language and expression

## This week's words are:

- Persistent
- Perspective
- Potential



### Supporting Maths Reasoning at Home

To help children build strong problem-solving and reasoning skills, we've gathered a selection of free, high-quality online maths resources that you can use at home. These sites offer games, challenges, and reasoning activities suitable for all primary ages. This is not instead of homework but in case parents would like extra maths activities. We hope you find them helpful for practising key skills in a fun and engaging way!

[Home](#) | [NRICH](#)

[Fun maths games and activities - Oxford Owl for Home](#)

[Maths Games for KS2: designed by a teacher for teachers - Mathsframe](#)

**Friends of St Chad's**

**AGM**



**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

**8pm via Teams**

**Meeting ID: 934 895 169 590 5**

**Password: xe9Xb6**

**Whether you would like to get more involved or just want to hear more about what the PTA has been up to, please come and join!**

## **PURPLE PARTY**

Lent Appeal

2<sup>nd</sup> April

This year, we would like to invite Year 3 and Year 4 to come to school **dressed in PURPLE** for our own purple parties for lent. Children are encouraged to be as creative as they want to be though there will be opportunities to incorporate purple into their outfits on the day regardless.

Children are also encouraged to bring in purple themed snacks and food for a **purple picnic** in the afternoon too. It will be an extra fun way of learning about the importance of lent appeal and our chosen charity.

*Ideally, please remember to bring your donations towards the charity with you on the day.*



## Teachers2Parents

If you have the teachers to parents app please can you delete it from your phone. We are experiencing problems with some parents not receiving text messages because the messages are delivered to the app. If you do not have the app installed messages will come through as a text. Thank you



**INTRODUCTION TO  
GIRLS RUGBY**

**WEDNESDAYS IN APRIL  
7 - 7.30 PM**

**THE SYCAMORES, BRAMHOPE  
LS16 9JR**



WEST PARK LEEDS RUFC

The poster features two young girls in blue and black rugby kits. One girl is holding a rugby ball and looking towards the other. The background is blue with white and yellow lightning bolt graphics.

Please email:

[marketing@westparkleeds.com](mailto:marketing@westparkleeds.com)



**DYNAMOS  
CRICKET**

**Cricket for girls  
ages 8 - 11**

Sign up today at: [meanwoodcc.com/dynamos](http://meanwoodcc.com/dynamos)

The image shows two young girls in yellow cricket uniforms. One girl is carrying the other on her back. The background is a green field with colorful geometric shapes (triangles) in yellow, pink, and blue.

**Join us at** Meanwood Cricket Club, Parkside Road, Leeds LS6 4NE

**Timings** Eight sessions: Saturdays 9-10am, May 2 – June 20

**Sessions** Girls-only ages 8-11, Female-led coaching team

**Total cost** £40 including personalised New Balance t-shirt

## SCHOOL MEALS

Orders must be placed on [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) by 3.30pm on a Friday for the following week. If meals are not ordered a packed lunch must be provided. Thank you for all your support with this – it really makes a difference.

## LOST PROPERTY

Lost property will continue to be stored in the boxes outside of school.

We have some stocks of spare uniform so please do let school know if you need any uniform and will from time to time put this on display and please take what you need.

We will be sorting the boxes soon as our lost uniform seems to have grown considerably of late!

## PE KIT REMINDERS

Unfortunately, children are still not adhering to the PE kit uniform. We continue to see an array of coloured tops, shorts and many branded t-shirts and sweatshirts. The uniform is as follows:

- Black PE shorts/jogging bottoms
- Plain round necked t-shirt in team colours
- Plain sweatshirt in team colour, bottle green or black (no branded items).



We are still seeing colourful and branded sweatshirts. Please support with this.

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SPRING TERM	
February 2026	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	8.45m School Re-Opens
w/c 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Whole school Lent Appeal begins
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS It's Not a Sleepover Event 6 - 7.15pm
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Middleton Park Cross Country Event - First Race 10am
March 2026	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	KS2 Poetry SLAM Event
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS & KS1 The Tiger Who Came To Tea Party
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Year 4 Multisport @Abbey Grange</b>
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Trip to Skelton Grange
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	FOOSC Quiz Night
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Trip to Royal Armouries
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>8.45am Read It - Say It - Share It Open House Event</b>
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 - Year 6 Reports Issued
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Year 5 Easter Experience @ Cornerstones Baptist Church</b>
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>FOOSC AGM 8pm Via Teams</b>
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Easter Experience @ Cornerstones Baptist Church
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	2.15pm You Are Special (Choir - invited parents)
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	3.30 - 6.30pm Parents Evening Nursery to Year 6 (Event 1)
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	3.30 - 5.30pm Parents Evening Nursery to Year 6 (Event 2)
SUMMER TERM	
April 2026	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter Service @St. Chad's Church
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	3.15pm School Closes for Easter Holidays
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	8.45am School Opens
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Year 2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park

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## May 2026

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday Monday
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS Tests
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS Tests
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS Test
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS Tests
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	FOSC Spring Fling
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Pyjama Day (or similar!)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	3.15pm School Closes for Half Term Holidays

## June 2026

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	8.45am School Opens
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Multiplication Times Tables Check opens
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 5 Trip to Leeds Grand Mosque
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check opens
w/c 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 - Year 6 Assessment Week 1
w/c 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 - Year 6 Assessment Week 2
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Trip to Saltburn
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School Culture Day
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>FOSC Summer Fair (note correction)</b>
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 6 supporting @National PE Conference (Leeds Becketts)</b>
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery Sports Day (afternoon)
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>FOSC Summer Fair (provisional) —confirmed</b>

## July 2026

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Lawnswood Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September)
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	pm Whole School transition afternoon
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Nursery Sports Day (afternoon - reserve date)

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## July 2026 (continued)

Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	am Whole School transition morning
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Abbey Grange Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September)
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Reception to Year 6 Sports Day (afternoon)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	5pm Year 6 Production
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	10 - 2pm Year 6 Meanwood Park
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	School Reports issued
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception to Year 6 Sports Day (afternoon - reserve date)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery End of Year Celebration (pm)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	FOSC Reception to Year 6 School Disco (TBC)
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception End of Year Celebration (pm)
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	1.45pm Leavers Service @St. Chad's Church
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	FOSC Reception to Year 6 School Disco (TBC)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	2.15pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	School closes
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July & Tues 21 <sup>st</sup>	Training Days (school closed to pupils)