

12th June 2026



Newsletter

Congratulations to our winners this week!

Achievement and Ethos Awards

Ralph, Eabha, Hanqing, Franklin, Sophia, Marley, Fern, Miles, Sadie,
Joseph and Danny

Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week saw our Candlelighters event. It was a fantastic success because of you – thank you for your kind donations and to all those who helped. The total raised is being counted as we have now dropped off the 'donation tins.' A huge thank you to Miss Griffiths and the early years team for all their efforts.

This week saw the first Trust Wide Poetry Slam which was held at The Moyes Centre. Children from all our primary and secondary schools took part. Well done to Lizzie, Federico, Faith and Remi who took part and represented St. Chad's with their winning entries. We are delighted to announce that the Primary Poetry Slam winner is Federico. Well done, Federico, and thank you Miss Agley for organising.

All the entries were amazing, and the confidence shown to speak in front of a large audience astounding. Several of the secondary school entries chose to write about diversity, racism or their uniqueness and the Secondary Poetry Slam winners were from Bishop Young who talked about racism. As a result, we have arranged for the English and Oracy Lead from Bishop Young to bring a group of children from Bishop Young to lead a workshop during Black History Month in the Autumn term.

A busy week is coming up next week as Thursday will be Culture Day in school, and Saturday is our FOSC School Summer Fair. Your help is also welcome so please do reach out to your FOSC representatives if you are wanting to help. FOSC would like to pass on their apologies; one of the digits was missing from the poster with the TEAMS details for the FOSC committee meeting on Tuesday of this week.

Thank you for your patience over the last couple of weeks, as we migrated to the Arbor Parent Portal. Many of you will also be aware that both Miss Brown and Mrs Rhodes have been off work since returning from half term. In a small school, you will appreciate the impact this can have on workload, and we would like to apologise if Miss Matthews or I are taking longer to get back to you than normal. Many thanks.

Have a lovely weekend and thank you again for all your support.

Kind Regards

Guia Marsland

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In Year 1 last week we have been learning about position and direction in Maths. We looked at turns in a circle: quarter, half, three quarter and full turns. We had lots of fun enjoying our learning outside and being part of a team!



Reception Trip to Hesketh Farm

The children had a fantastic time on our trip to Hesketh Farm! We started the day by meeting Farmer Chris, who introduced us to life on the farm. The children enjoyed mixing the milk and helping to feed the calves, which was a wonderful hands-on experience.





We then collected fresh eggs from the hens, fed the goats and donkeys, and had the opportunity to hold some adorable chicks and guinea pigs. The excitement continued with a big tractor ride around the farm, followed by lots of fun and exploring in the playground.

It was a fun-filled day of learning, discovering, and making special memories. The children loved every moment of their farm adventure!





-  www.leedslocaloffer.org.uk
-  @Leeds Local Offer
-  LLO@leeds.gov.uk
-  <https://tinyurl.com/LLOWhatsApp>

SEND PARENT CARER INFORMATION DROP IN

| Date | Time | Venue |
|-------------|------------------|---|
| Wed 10 June | 10.30 till 12.30 | Horsforth Library Bulding, Town street, Horsforth, LS18 5BL |

Services in attendance:

- Leeds Local Offer
- SENDIASS
- Carers Leeds
- Leeds Parent Carer Forum
- Little Hiccups
- Speech and Language Therapy Service
- SEND Coordinators, Family Hubs

Let us know if you will be attending the drop in

<https://surveys.leeds.gov.uk/s/InfoDropIn/>



If you would like more information about the drop in sessions email LLO@leeds.gov.uk



What you might want to speak to each service about



- How to find out about SEND services in Leeds
- The Leeds Local Offer website and events
- Signposting to SEND services



- SEND support in mainstream schools
- Preparing for SEND meetings
- Education, Health and Care (EHC) needs assessments and plans
- Mediation and SEND tribunal appeals
- Specialist schools, settings and provisions
- Preparing for adulthood
- Preparing for educational transitions
- SEND funding
- School transport



- How to have your voice heard in Leeds.
- How we represent the voices of parents and carers.
- Events and sessions for families.



- Benefits advice and support (DLA and PIP)
- Emotional support around parent caring role



- Parent-Led Support: A welcoming community for families of children with disabilities to connect and share experiences.
- Inclusive Activities: Sensory-friendly sessions, inclusive play, and family events that build confidence and social inclusion.
- Advocacy & Resources: Help with equipment, peer support, and working with healthcare providers to improve local services and accessibility.



Our family hubs provide a welcoming space where families with children and young people (0 to 19 years, or up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities) can access support, advice, and services in one convenient location.



- Support with communication
- Support with eating, drinking and swallowing

Horsforth Community Hub and Library

Town street, Horsforth, Leeds, LS18 5BL



Travelling by bus

The number 50 and 50a bus stop is situated on Town Street – approximately 150 metres from the Hub. The number 97 bus stop is situated on Broadgate Lane – approximately 150 metres from the Hub.



Travelling by car

Sat Nav – please use postcode LS18 5BL

There is a free car park with disabled parking, and on street parking nearby. On street parking is limited to two hours.

The main door is on the main road. There is a ramp leading up to the main doors, which are automatic, opened by using a touch button.



Screening for Speech, Language and Communication Needs

Speech, language and communication is one of our biggest areas of need in school. This week, our support staff have received training on the Leeds Speech and Language Screening Tools, which help us to understand more clearly where a child may need support.

These screeners look at different aspects of communication, such as understanding language, using spoken language, speech sounds and social communication. They are not a diagnosis, but they help us to identify the right next steps for a child. This might be targeted support in school, activities to try at home, or, where needed, a referral to Speech and Language Therapy.

Leeds now asks schools to complete these screeners before making a referral to Speech and Language Therapy. A referral can only be made if the screener shows a significant level of need in one or more areas. This means that the information we gather is really important in making sure children get the right help at the right time.

In school, we will use the screeners strategically so that staff have time not only to identify needs, but also to deliver the support children need. Speech and language interventions often need to be carried out consistently over time, usually around 12 weeks, to give children the best chance of making progress.

Try this at home:

When talking with your child, try adding one or two extra words to what they say. For example, if they say, "big dog," you could say, "Yes, a big brown dog." This helps children hear new vocabulary and slightly longer sentences in a natural way.



FOSCC

Friends of St Chad's



Friends of St Chad's Meeting

Tuesday 9th June at 7:45pm

Join us online on Teams

Meeting ID: 333 213 258 819 200
Passcode: HqWn29k



St Chad's C of E School SUMMER FAIR

WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS!

TOMBOLA
Re-gifts, stationery, games

PRE-LOVED STALL
Toys, books, clothing, accessories

BOTTLE-BOLA
Fizzy or fruity, soft or boozy

TEDDY-BOLA
Cuddly toys

DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT IN THE BOX OUTSIDE THE OFFICE OR WITH THE OFFICE TEAM.

PLEASE DONATE BY 12TH JUNE



SAVE THE DATE! ST CHAD'S CULTURE DAY



THURSDAY 18TH JUNE 2026

School will be sending out more details.

If you would like to get involved in the planning or feel able to come in to school on the day to share a story from your culture or do a class based activity or speak in worship then please join the following group.



CELEBRATING OUR DIFFERENCES, SHARING OUR STORIES, GROWING TOGETHER IN FAITH AND LOVE.



Summer Fair Raffle Tickets

Your child will be coming home with FOSC summer fair raffle tickets this evening so please look out for these. If you need extra tickets please collect from the office.

Piano Lessons

at St. Chad's Academy



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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.

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

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

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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:

- Summary
- Support
- Technique



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](#)

SCHOOL MEALS

Orders must be placed on 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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St. Chad's Parent Calendar 2025 - 2026_version 23

NOTE: Changes since previously issued shown in red.

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SUMMER TERM

June 2026

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| Monday 1 st June | 8.45am School Opens |
| Monday 1 st June | Multiplication Times Tables Check opens |
| Monday 1 st June | School Council visit to CCUA |
| Tuesday 2 nd June | Year 5 Trip to Leeds Grand Mosque |
| Friday 5 th June | Whole School Fundraising for Candlelighters Candlelighters Supporting Children with Cancer & Families |
| Monday 8 th June | Year 1 Phonics Screening Check opens |
| w/c 8 th June | Year 1 - Year 6 Assessment Week 1 |
| Wednesday 10 th June | Reception Trip to Hesketh Farm |
| w/c 15 th June | Year 1 - Year 6 Assessment Week 2 |
| Tuesday 16 th June | Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am |
| Wednesday 17 th June | Year 6 Trip to Saltburn |
| Thursday 18 th June | Whole School Culture Day |
| Saturday 20 th June | FOSC Summer Fair |
| Monday 22 nd June | Year 4 Nell Bank Residential |
| Tuesday 23 rd June | Year 4 Nell Bank Residential |
| Tuesday 23 rd June | Year 6 supporting @National PE Conference (Leeds Becketts) |
| Wednesday 24 th June | Year 4 Nell Bank Residential |
| Thursday 25 th June | Nursery Sports Day (afternoon) |
| Friday 26 th June | Year 1 Trip to Armley Mills (provisional) |
| Friday 26 th June | Ralph Thoresby Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September) |
| July 2026 | |
| Wednesday 1 st July | Lawnswood Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September) |
| Wednesday 1 st July | pm Whole School transition afternoon |
| Thursday 2 nd July | am Whole School transition morning |
| Thursday 2 nd July | Abbey Grange Transition Day (year 6 pupils if attending in September) |

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July 2026 (continued)

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| Thursday 2 nd July | Nursery Sports Day (afternoon ~ reserve date) |
| Friday 3 rd July | Reception to Year 6 Sports Day (afternoon) |
| Monday 6th July | Year 3 Clarinet Concert 2.15pm |
| Wednesday 8 th July | 5pm Year 6 Production |
| Thursday 9 th July | 10 - 2pm Year 6 Meanwood Park |
| Monday 13 th July | School Reports issued |
| Monday 13 th July | Year 1 Seaside Theme Day |
| Friday 10 th July | Reception to Year 6 Sports Day (afternoon ~ reserve date) |
| Tuesday 14 th July | Nursery End of Year Celebration (am) |
| Tuesday 14 th July | FOSC Reception to Year 6 School Disco (<i>times to be confirmed</i>) |
| Wednesday 15 th July | Reception End of Year Celebration (pm) |
| Wednesday 15 th July | Praying Parents Meeting 9-10am |
| Wednesday 15th July | Summer Music Celebration Event 3.30pm - Mrs Futers to share details |
| Thursday 16 th July | 1.45pm Leavers Service @St. Chad's Church |
| Thursday 16 th July | FOSC Reception to Year 6 School Disco (TBC) |
| Friday 17 th July | 2.15pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly |
| Friday 17 th July | School closes |
| Monday 20 th & Tues 21 st July | Training Days (school closed to pupils) |