20th November 2026

Newsletter

Congratulations to our winners this week!

Achievement and Ethos Awards

Éabha, Laurie, Pria, Luna, Jimmy, Amelia, Emily, Don, Otis, Alfie, Guy and Angus

Dear Parents/Carers,



Thank you all for your huge support last Friday for Children In Need; there were some parents who really gave The Conga their best moves ☺. Well done to Jake in year 4, who deputised brilliantly as St. Chad's very own Pudsey Bear. We raised an incredible £2000.41!!!!!!

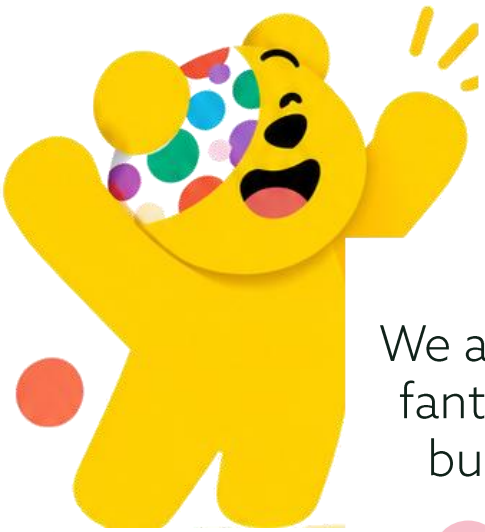


You may recall that last year a number of children from St. Chad's attended a Poetry SLAM competition where finalists from other schools in our Trust attended also and met with Testament (a local poet). All the finalists have had their poems published in a Poetry Anthology. We will share one of these poems with you on a weekly basis over the next few weeks.

This week we shared the dates for, and procedures for booking tickets for the Reception/Key Stage One Nativity and Key Stage Two Concert. Parents must apply for tickets by Monday and we will be issuing tickets on Wednesday. If you have not already applied, a reminder to do this.

Tonight, is the FOSC Bingo night. Thank you again to all our fantastic volunteers and get your "dabbers" ready!

Children in Need Fundraising Success!



£2,000.41 raised!

We are delighted to share that St. Chad's raised a fantastic £2,000.41 from sponsorship money, a bun sale and donations for Children in Need!

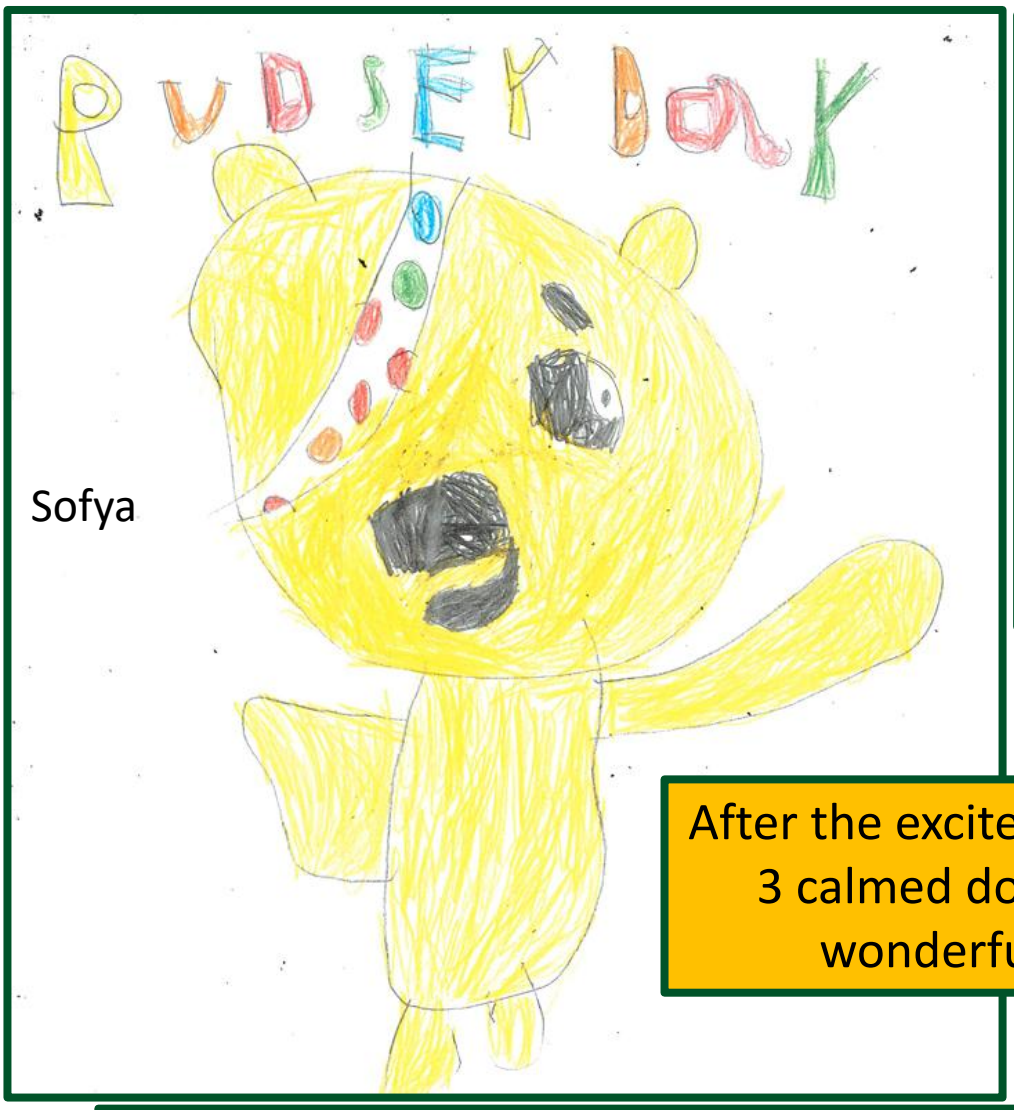
From Nursery to Year 6, everyone joined in!

Children from Nursery to Year 6 took part in a whole-school conga on the playground, with families joining in too. The conga was led by Lucas the Kop Cat, the official club mascot of Leeds United F.C., and Pudsey Bear also made a special appearance!

We were overwhelmed by the support from our school families – thank you so much!







Sofya



Amelia

After the excitement of the conga, year 3 calmed down by creating some wonderful Pudsey artwork.



Josh

This week, we had a special visitor, Ella, come in from Climate Change Warriors to talk to us about Climate Change and the impact on our environment. We listened carefully and asked thoughtful questions.





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We are really pleased to share we are now opening LUFC Girls Football bookings to Reception, KS1 and KS2.

These clubs are a great opportunity for your daughter to learn valuable new skills in not only sport and exercise, but also life skills such as confidence and leadership, through football activities.

Our clubs are a fun and safe environment where the girls can grow in their own space, as well as challenge themselves against girls of their own age.

This club is open to girls in both KS1 and KS2, however different key stages will never be put against each other for safety purposes, yet they will still be able to learn from one another in this safe environment.

Every participant will have the opportunity to thrive in a space, both age and ability appropriate.

This club is just the first step of our girls football pathway at The Leeds United Foundation, open to girls of any ability, and we hope that this can be the beginning of a long journey that your daughter has with us at Leeds United.

I am attaching a link which will allow you to book on for our first block of sessions, running up until the Christmas break.

Our first session is set to be on Wednesday 25th November 3:15-4:15pm.
Please sign up using the link below
Abler sign up link: Women & Girls Football Programmes | After School Club - St Chad's (Nov - Dec)


Abbey Grange
PTA
Winter Fayre
Saturday 21 November 2026
12pm til 2pm
Support our School - Support our Students
Lots of stalls, festive treats and fun activities!
Teddy Bear Tombola
Bottle Tombola
Christmas Gifts
Live music from our Concert Band
Winter Hampers
£1 entry for adults, Children are free!

LEEDS UNITED FOUNDATION

FOOTBALL CAMPS

Fun-focused **football** for **boys** and **girls** aged **5-12** years old.

ELLAN ROAD

Charity Number: 1137703







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Free school meals



You may be able to claim for free school meals for any child who normally lives with you and who is classed as being under your parental care. Children may be eligible for free school meals if you receive benefits such as:

- Universal credit
- Guaranteed pension credit
- Asylum support

To check the full eligibility criteria or complete the free school meals claim form, please scan the QR code or visit:
leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/apply-for-free-school-meals

Families with No Recourse to Public Funds & Free School Meals

The Government has permanently extended free school meal eligibility to children in all households with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF), subject to maximum income and savings levels. To find out more speak to your child's school directly.

Community Hubs



There are Community Hubs across Leeds, where you can find, free, confidential and tailored support and information under one roof. Community Hubs offer Library services, housing support, customer services and job searching as well as many other help and advice options. Your local Community Hub can also help you use the internet. For further details including opening times, scan the QR code or visit:
leeds.gov.uk/community-hubs

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FAMILY FOOD & WELL-BEING

Working together to improve access to food for families



Emergency food provision

Crisis Payments Scheme

Leeds City Council runs a **Crisis Payments Scheme** to help people facing an emergency or crisis. If you can't afford essentials like food, gas, or electricity, and meet the eligibility criteria, you may be able to get help. For more information and details of the eligibility, please scan the QR code or visit our website:
www.leeds.gov.uk/benefits/crisis-payment-scheme

Food Support

Local food banks and other projects provide emergency food to people in need. For more details about food support in the city and what's available, check out the Leeds Food Aid Provision Map:
leedsfoodaidnetwork.co.uk/find-emergency-food
or scan the QR code.



Healthy Holidays



Over the Easter, summer and Christmas holidays, some community groups, schools and community hubs run free clubs providing fun activities and healthy meals for eligible school aged children and young people. Eligibility for the Healthy Holidays scheme is linked to receipt of income based free school meals where household earned income is below £7400 per year, also known as Targeted Free School Meals. For more information or enquires or to register please visit **healthyholidays.leeds.gov.uk** or email **HealthyHolidays@leeds.gov.uk** or scan the QR code.

For ideas on cooking on a budget, scan the QR code or visit the Foodwise Leeds Recipe Hub:
foodwiseleeds.org/recipe-hub



Leeds Money Information Centre

MIC MONEY INFORMATION CENTRE

The Leeds Money Information Centre (LeedsMIC) website provides details of agencies that offer free, independent and confidential advice and support to Leeds residents. Help is available on a range of matters such as food, debt, energy bills, benefits, housing and emergency support. Please visit: **moneyinformationcentre.leeds.gov.uk** or scan the QR code. Printed MIC materials, including booklets and flyers are also available at all community hubs and libraries in Leeds.

Leeds School Uniform Exchange



Leeds School Uniform Exchange helps families share great quality school uniforms - Instead of buying new uniforms, you can get them for free! The project also helps set up uniform-sharing programs at schools, online, or in neighbourhoods across Leeds. For more details, scan the QR code or visit:
leedsuniformexchange.org.uk

Healthy Start



If you're more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4, you may be able to get help to buy healthy food and milk.

You'll receive a Healthy Start card with money on it, which you can use to buy:

- cow's milk
- fresh, frozen or tinned fruit and vegetables
- infant formula milk
- fresh, dried, and tinned pulses

You can also get free Healthy Start vitamins.

To apply
Call **0300 330 7010**
or scan the QR code for more information.



Cost of Living

The Together Leeds website has lots of help and advice to support people with the cost of living. Scan the QR code or visit:
leeds.gov.uk/campaign/cost-of-living

This can make a big difference to your family.



Children's Centres

If you have a child under 5 you can access your nearest children's centre for a range of support services, scan the QR code or visit:
familyinformation.leeds.gov.uk/childrens-centres


BY THE PLAY... THEATRE PRODUCTIONS PROUDLY PRESENT
Aladdin
A WISH FILLED PANTO
A TREAT FOR ALL THE FAMILY!
2nd JANUARY 2027
1PM & 5PM
ST CHAD'S PARISH CENTRE
FAR HEADINGLEY
FOR TICKETS PLEASE VISIT
BYTHEPLAY.COM
By The Play...



Noah is having a
Bake sale for
sunshine and smiles
on Monday
30th of November at 3pm
outside school
The funds raised will help to buy a
tabletop oven to enable our community
to create delicious cake to sell in our
new community hub canteen

We hope you can make it



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SCHOOL MEALS

Orders must be placed on the Arbor Parent Portal 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 find that families rarely look there and so the lost property builds up. We will on a 2 weekly basis empty the lost property and send it to charity if not collected.

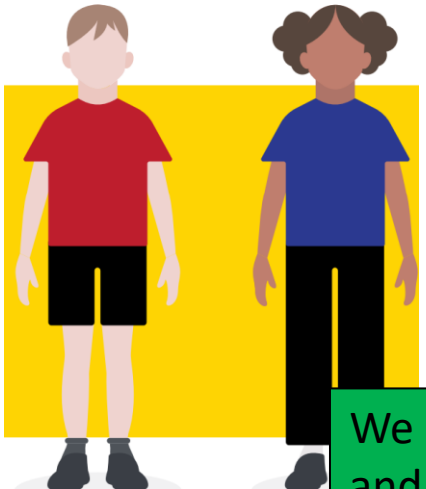
We have some stocks of spare uniform so please do let school know if you need any uniform and will from time to time put this on display and please take what you need.

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.

AUTUMN TERM (CONTINUED)	
October 2026	
Friday 9th October	No Family Worship Coffee Morning *(in support of Salivary Gland Cancer UK and The Christie Charity's Ella Project)*
Thursday 15th October	FOSC Coffee Catch Up & Read It Say It Share It
Monday 19th October	Year 5 Bake Sale
Wednesday 21st October	Year 6 Trip Royal Armouries (am)
Wednesday 21st October	OOHA Event for children attending Fancy Dress Glow Disco (see correspondence from OOHA)
Thursday 22nd October	3.15pm School Closes for Half Term Holiday
Thursday 22nd October	9.15 – 10.45am Reception and Nursery Open Event Number 2
Friday 23rd October	Training Day
Friday 23rd October	OOHA Training Day Club (apply for spaces)
November 2026	
Monday 2nd November	8.45am school opens for reception to year 6 and 9am for nursery
Tuesday 3rd November	Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 4th November	Parents Consultation from 3.30pm (Session One)including SEND Review Meeting Number 1 where appropriate
Thursday 5th November	Parent Consultation from 3.30pm (Session Two) including SEND Review Meeting Number 1 where appropriate
Thursday 5th November	Individual School Photographs
Tuesday 10th November	FOSC Meeting Number 2 – All Welcome
Wednesday 11th November	1.30 – 2.45pm Nursery and Reception Open Event Number 3
Friday 13th November	Children In Need Conga
Monday 16th November	Bake Sale Year Group TBC
Friday 20th November	FOSC Family Bingo Night TBC
December 2026	
Wednesday 2nd December	9.30am Nursery Nativity
Wednesday 2nd December	Year 6 Trip RERF (am)
Monday 7th December	Year 3 Trip to Tropical World (linked to science)
Tuesday 8th December	9.15am EYFS/KS1 Nativity (Performance One)
Thursday 10th December	National Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 10th December	9.15am EYFS/KS1 Nativity (Performance Two)

AUTUMN TERM (CONTINUED)	
DECEMBER 2026	
Friday 11th December	FOSC Winter Warmer after school
Monday 14th December	OOHA Games Tournament (for OOHA children – see separate OOHA communication)
Tuesday 15th December	2.15pm KS2 Carol Concert (Performance One)
Wednesday 16th December	1.45pm Christmas Service at St. Chad's Church
Thursday 17th December	Whole School Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday 17th December	9.15am KS2 Carol Concert (Performance Two)
Thursday 17th December	3.10pm Carol Singing by the Choir (in the playground)
Friday 18th December	No Family Worship
Friday 18th December	FOSC Santas Grotto
Friday 18th December	Merry Christmas Everyone! School closes at 3.15pm for Reception to Year 6 and at 3pm to Nursery
Sunday 20th December	6.30pm Carol Concert @ St Chad's Church (choir invited)

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SPRING TERM	
January 2027	
Monday 4th January	8.45am school opens to Reception to Year 6 pupils and 9am to Nursery
w/c 4th January	Year 6 Assessment Week
w/c 11th January	Year 1 – Year 6 Assessment Week (provisional)
Tuesday 12th January	FOSC Meeting Number 3 – All Welcome
Monday 18th January	Bake Sale Year Group TBC
Wednesday 20th January	National Child Measurement Programme and Vision Screening Reception & Year 6 – separate correspondence will be shared
Tuesday 26th January	Year 4 Ancient Egyptians Workshop (provisional)
Friday 29th January	Training Day
Friday 29th January	OOHA Training Day Club (apply for spaces)
February 2027	
Monday 1st February	Year 5 @ Opera North (provisional)
Tuesday 9th February	OOHA Pyjama Part (for OOHA children – see separate communications from OOHA)
Friday 12th February	3.15pm school closes to Reception to Year 6 and 3pm for Nursery
Monday 22nd February	Year 5/6 @Abbey Grange to watch Mary Poppins
Friday 26th February	FOSC Quiz Night
Saturday 27th February	Cross Country @Woodhouse Grove
Monday 22nd February	8.45am school opens to Reception to Year 6 pupils and 9am to Nursery
March 2027	
Tuesday 2nd March	FOSC Meeting Number 4 – All Welcome
Thursday 4th March	World Book Day – costumes at the ready 😊
w/c 8th March	Year 6 Assessment Week (provisional)
Monday 8th March	Bake Sale Year Group TBC
Saturday 13th March	Cross Country @Prince Henry's
Wednesday 17th March	Year 1 to Year 6 issue of annual reports (provisional)
Thursday 18th March	Year 1 Trip to Skelton Grange
Friday 19th March	FOSC Family Games and Quiz Night
Friday 19th March	Comic Relief Day

SUMMER TERM	
April 2027	
w/c 22nd March	Year 6 Assessment Week
Wednesday 24th March	1.45pm Easter Service at St. Chad's Church
Friday 26th March	School closed – Good Friday
Monday 29th March	School close – Easter Monday
Wednesday 31st March	Parents Consultation from 3.30pm (Session One) including SEND Review Meeting Number 2 where appropriate
Thursday 1st April	Parent Consultation from 3.30pm (Session Two) including SEND Review Meeting Number 2 where appropriate
Friday 2nd April	3.15pm school closes to Reception to Year 6 and 3pm for Nursery
Monday 19th April	8.45am school opens to Reception to Year 6 pupils and 9am to Nursery
Tuesday 27th April	FOSC Meeting Number 5 – All Welcome
Thursday 29th April	Year 2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park (returning about 4pm)
May 2027	
Tuesday 4th May	Bake Sale Year Group TBC
Thursday 6th May	Teddy Bear Story Time (new Reception 2027 families) 3.45 – 4.30pm (Option One)
Sunday 9th May	Leeds Marathon – FOSC fundraising event TBC
Monday 10th May	KS2 SATS – Day 1
Tuesday 11th May	KS2 SATS – Day 2
Tuesday ~~10th~~ 11th May	Teddy Bear Story Time (new Reception 2027 families) 3.45 – 4.30pm (Option Two)
Wednesday 12th May	KS2 SATS – Day 3
Thursday 13th May	KS2 SATS – Day 4
Friday 14th May	FOSC Spring Fling
Monday 17th May	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Tuesday 18th May	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Wednesday 19th May	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Tuesday 25th May	3.30 – 5pm Nursery One Children Parent Consultations (Option 1)
Wednesday 26th May	3.30 – 5pm Nursery One Children Parent Consultations (Option 2)

SUMMER TERM	
May 2027 *(continued)*	
Thursday 27th May	OOHA Teddy Bear's Picnic (for OOHA children – see separate communications from OOHA)
Friday 28th May	3.15pm school closes to Reception to Year 6 and 3pm for Nursery
June 2027	
Monday 7th June	8.45am school opens to Reception to Year 6 pupils and 9am to Nursery
Tuesday 8th June	5pm New Reception 2027 Families – Parent Information Evening
w/c 7th June	Year 1 – Year 5 Assessment Week (provisional)
w/c 7th June	Multiplication Check Year 4 (week 1)
w/c 14th June	Theme Week – Refugee Week
Tuesday 15th June	FOSC Meeting Number 6 – All Welcome
w/c 14th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
w/c 14th June	Multiplication Check Year 4 (week 2)
Wednesday 16th June	1.30pm Nursery Sports Afternoon (Option 1)
Thursday 17th June	Whole School Culture Day (provisional)
Saturday 19th June	FOSC Summer Fair
Monday 21st June	Bake Sale Year Group TBC
Wednesday 23rd June	Year 1 Trip Build The Change – Armley Mills
Wednesday 30th June	1.30pm Nursery Sports Afternoon (Option 2)
July 2027	
Thursday 1st July	Year 1 Seaside Theme Day (Option 1 – subject to secondary school transition days)
Friday 2nd July	Whole School Sports Day (Option 1)
Tuesday 6th July	SEND Review Meetings No 3 from 3.30pm (Option 1)
Thursday 8th July	Year 1 Seaside Theme Day (Option 2 – subject to secondary school transition days)
Friday 9th July	Whole School Sports Day (Option 2)
Monday 12th July	SEND Review Meetings No 3 from 3.30pm (Option 2)
Wednesday 14th July	1.45pm Leavers Church Service
Wednesday 14th July	Reception and Nursery Annual Reports issued (provisional) Year 1 to Year 6 Report Card issued (provisional)
Thursday 15th July	Nursery End of Year Celebration (pm – time TBC)

SUMMER TERM	
July 2027 *(continued)*	
Friday 16th July	Reception End of Year Celebration (pm – time TBC)
Friday 16th July	OOHA Summer BBQ and stay and play for reception 2027 starters (OOHA children – see separate communication from OOAH)
Monday 19th July	FOSC Summer Disco
Tuesday 20th July	1.15pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Tuesday 20th July	3.15pm school closes to Reception to Year 6 and 3pm for Nursery