

Monday Memo



Monday 10th November

Autumn Term

Issue #09

Diary Dates

Wednesday 5 th - Monday 11 th November Poppy Appeal (See Class Dojo)	Wednesday 5 th November - Wednesday 3 rd December Year 2 Multi Sports (Families contacted)	Sunday 9 th November 2:00pm - 4:05pm Lostock Hall Remembrance service 2025 3:00pm Service at the War Memorial, Hope Terrace
Tuesday 11 th & Wednesday 12 th November Parents' Evening	Wednesday 12 th November Year 6 Trip	Friday 14 th November 'Craft & Cake' to raise money for Children in Need and Cancer Research UK (more information to follow) Year 4 Lego Robotics (Families contacted)
Sunday 16 th November 12:30pm- 2:30pm Christmas Fayre at St. Paul's Church	Wednesday 19 th November FOSPS Movie Night (Available to book via School Money w/e 07/11)	Friday 21 st November 09:05am Year 3 Reading Breakfast
Thursday 27 th November 09:05am Year 4 Class Worship	Sunday 30 th November 11:00am Toy & Carol Service at St. Paul's Church	



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Thursday 4th December Key Stage 2 Advent Service (Available to book via School Money w/e 21/11)	Friday 5th December Year 5 Reading Breakfast	Monday 8th December Key Stage 1 Nativity 2:00-3:00pm (Available to book via School Money w/e 28/11)
Tuesday 9th December Key Stage 1 Nativity 6:00pm - 7:00pm (Available to book via School Money w/e 28/11)	Friday 12th December Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 12th December Christmas Dinner Day (Available to book via School Money as you would normally book a dinner)
Tuesday 16th December FOSPS Key Stage 2 Disco	Wednesday 17th December FOSPS Key Stage 1 Disco	Wednesday 17th December School Reports Emailed Out
Thursday 18th December Year 5 Class Trip	Friday 19th December Christmas Service at St. Paul's Church 1:30-2:00pm	Friday 19th December 2:00pm Finish for half term Collect from St. Paul's Church
Monday 5th January 2026 Re-open for Spring Term		



Worship Values

Our worship value this half term is Compassion

In our Celebration Assembly, we will celebrate 1 pupil from each class who has shown the term's value. 🏆

This term we will celebrate our 'Compassion Champion'



Attendance w/b 03/11

Reception: 99%

Year 1: 91%

Year 2: 99%

Year 3: 97%

Year 4: 99%

Year 5: 90%

Year 6: 97%

Whole School Overall: 96%

Target: 97%

House Points w/b 03/11

Bowland: 82



Parlick: 123



Pendle: 100

Longridge: 119

St. Pauls' Parish News & Events

Tuesdays 09:00am—11:30am

Warm Space (coffee and bacon butties)

supported by members of our

Children's Chaplain from

10:00-10:30am



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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

AMIGO

Amigo is a social platform which purports to connect strangers from around the world – and, with built-in translation software, it reduces the expected language barriers. Focusing heavily on one-to-one chat, video calls and live streams, Amigo encourages its users to build up online relationships and unlock exclusive features such as private video and audio calls: essentially, the more that people chat, the more functions become available to them. This is an app designed with mature users very much in mind and is therefore definitely not recommended for children.

AGE RATING

18

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ONE-TO-ONE COMMUNICATION

While online chats and livestreaming are a great way to communicate with people that children can trust (such as friends and family), Amigo encourages users to connect with complete strangers and develop a friendship through private chats, calls and videos. This will be a clear red flag for most parents, due to the possibility of a child encountering inappropriate content or an online predator.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTACT

Within minutes of signing up for our trial of Amigo (and without using a profile photo), users of the opposite sex were messaging with suggestive statements such as "You're just my type" and "Let's have fun". While the app's stated intent is to help people build friendships, some users obviously seek to take those relationships in a more mature and amorous direction.

MEMBERSHIP COSTS

Like many apps that are free to download, Amigo's business model is centred on in-app purchases. Users are encouraged to pay for VIP membership – enabling them to send more messages each day and boosting their profile's visibility. People can also buy coins (again, for real money) which allow them to send virtual gifts and further increase the number of messages they can send daily.

LACK OF AGE VERIFICATION

Amigo makes no secret of the fact that it's for people aged 18 or above. There's no age verification, however, so a young person could simply sign up under a false date of birth. The app's algorithm claims to match users of similar ages (making them more compatible), but either the algorithm isn't very reliable, or most users have entered a fake age which doesn't correspond with their profile pic.

REWARDS FOR REPEATED USE

Amigo gifts virtual coins to users if they reply to messages within 10 seconds, while there are also daily rewards for posting comments, sharing a video, getting likes or simply opening the app. It also encourages increasing 'Intimacy Levels' with other users to unlock extra features: once someone's online 'friendship' reaches Intimacy Level 3, they can hold one-to-one video calls with each other.

Advice for Parents & Carers

MONITOR DOWNLOADS

As well as frequent catch-ups with your child about what they've enjoyed doing online, you could consider taking the additional step of physically checking their phone every so often to see which apps they've installed. The safest option could be to enable 'ask to buy' (Apple) or 'purchase approvals' (Android) on their device, meaning your authorisation is needed to download any apps.

RESPECT AGE RESTRICTIONS

Apps have age restrictions for a reason, and Amigo is very definitely a mature content platform. Given that many of Amigo's users apparently use a bogus date of birth, you might want to remind your child about the implications of setting up a fake profile – such as being exposed to messages and videos that make them feel uncomfortable or feeling pressured into chatting with strangers.

BLOCK, REPORT, DISCUSS

Many children already know that connecting with strangers online is dangerous, but it never hurts to refresh their memory. Whatever communication apps your child uses, make sure they're fully aware that if anything online makes them feel uncomfortable, scared or upset, then they can block the user responsible, report the content, take a screenshot as evidence and come to tell you straight away.

ACTIVE LISTENING

If your child does approach you with a concern, make time to stop what you're doing and actively listen. Let them talk without interrupting or showing any judgement, then discuss their options and the possible solutions: this empowers them and reassures them that you're there to be supportive. If the issue is one that has put your child at risk, however, you may wish to contact the police.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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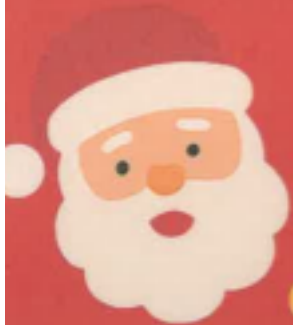


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CHRISTMAS MARKET



SATURDAY 22ND NOV
1.30-4PM

CARR MANOR NURSERY
ST PATRICK'S PLACE
WALTON LE DALE, PR5 4HN

SANTA

LOTS OF STALLS FOR YOUR
CHRISTMAS GIFTS

RAFFLE

TOMBOLA

ACTIVITIES FOR
THE CHILDREN

FOOD AND DRINK



HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE



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**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.

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.



CLOSING DATE
15 January 2026

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Christmas FAYRE

SUNDAY
16TH
NOVEMBER

12.30PM - 2.30PM

FREE
ENTRY



RAFFLE - FIRST PRIZE £100!

CAKE STALL - FACE PAINTING - AND MUCH MORE

ST PAUL'S CHURCH

7 CHURCH LN, FARINGTON MOSS, LEYLAND PR26 6RD



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ST PAUL'S CHURCH
FARINGTON MOSS

Toy & Carol Service

Sunday **30th** November, **11am**

- Please bring new unwrapped toys
- Support children less fortunate than you are

Thank you
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generosity



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