



# Wakefield Cathedral

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT

APRIL REPORT 2026

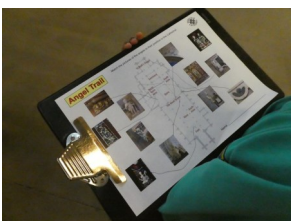
### School Age Children

#### Lawefield Primary School

Both Y6 classes from Lawefield Primary School came for bespoke guided tours to support the topic they were covering in their RE lessons: *Is it better to express your religion in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?* During their tour they found out about how the cathedral is used by Christians as a place of worship. They also discovered some of the history of the cathedral and how the building has changed over centuries. They learnt about some of the people who donated money for memorials, such as Lyon Pilkington, or paid for choir stalls, such as Thomas Savile. They finished the session by finding out about the running costs of the cathedral now, and about some of the ways Wakefield Cathedral supports local community groups.

#### Sandal Magna Community Academy

Following their virtual workshop in March, the Y5s from Sandal Magna came for a Stories in Light, Stone and Wood workshop. They found out how the cathedral building had changed since Saxon times and made a timeline of plans of the cathedral. They looked at the stained glass windows and drew each other posing like the characters in the nave windows. They took part in drama activities about the life of St Oswald, who is depicted in a number of windows. They looked at wood carvings in the quire and did the Angel Trail.



# Christian Nurture for Young People

## Easter Messy Cathedral

Our theme for April's Messy Cathedral was Holy Week and Easter. Crafts included making donkey models for Palm Sunday and paper crowns of thorns for Good Friday. They decorated plastic cups and planted date stones in them and made paper plate Easter gardens. They listened to the story of Holy Week and Easter and sang *We have a king who rides on a donkey*. A simple lunch was shared at the end of the session.



*paper crowns of thorns*



*decorating pots*



*playdough*



*paper plate Easter gardens*

# Activity Monitoring April 2026

PRE-SCHOOL
SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN
CHRISTIAN NURTURE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
ADULT EDUCATION
WORK WITH VOLUNTEERS

DATE	ACTIVIY	ONLINE	WEBSITE INTERACTIONS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS	AGE RANGE
4 Apr	Messy Cathedral: Easter			40 + 7 volunteers	5-14/19 adults
5 Apr	Messy Cathedral Sunday activities cathedral website	✓	6 website page visits	N/A	
12 Apr	Messy Cathedral Sunday activities cathedral website	✓	17 website page visits	N/A	
14 Apr	Cathedral Crafts			7	60+
19 Apr	Messy Cathedral Sunday activities cathedral website	✓	4 website page visits	N/A	
20 Apr	Cathedral Art and Architecture Tour Y6 Lawefield Primary School			30	10-11/2 adults
21 Apr	Cathedral Crafts			9	60+
23 Apr	Cathedral Art and Architecture Tour Y6 Lawefield Primary School			31	10-11/2 adults
26 Apr	Messy Cathedral Sunday activities cathedral website	✓	6 website page visits	N/A	
28 Apr	Cathedral Crafts			9	60+
29 Apr	Stories in Light, Stone and Wood workshop Y5 Sandal Magna Community Academy			32	9-10/3 adults