



Value this week: Peace

12th September 2024

Head teacher's message.

This week, children have been firmly getting back into routines. It is exciting to hear chattering about the start of enrichment clubs and extended opportunities. Play times have been very constructive and our Year 6 playground leaders have had a good response to the games and activities they are putting on for the rest of the school.

Next week, we have another school coming to discuss our practice with double page spreads; it is lovely to see that our reputation in this area is disseminating to other schools across Lancashire.

Have a lovely weekend.

DIARY DATES

13 th September	School photograph day
16 th September	Messy Church
17 th September	Y4 Magicfest – Session 1
18 th September	Online Safety afternoon
19 th September	Year 4 church worship
20 th September	Stars Assembly resume
22 nd September	Harvest Festival, Years 5&6
24 th September	Macmillan coffee morning
26 th September	Pre-School / Reception settling-in meetings
26 th September	Flu vaccinations
2 nd October	Meet the teacher evening
2 nd October	FOCS AGM, see newsletter
3 rd October	NSPCC virtual assembly
6 th October	All age worship, St. Anne's Church
9 th – 11 th October	Y6 Tower Wood residential
14 th October	Double page spread Assembly
14 th October	Messy church
16 th October	Bishop Philip visit to school, 2pm
17 th October	NSPCC day
18 th October	Values Assembly
18 th October	Break up for half term, 3.15pm
31 st October	Secondary school application deadline

YEAR 4 HISTORY MAGIC FEST

Next Tuesday, Year 4 will have their first Magic Fest session led by the Heritage Team. We are excited to announce that we have been selected as one of only a handful of schools across Lancashire to take part in Lancashire Schools Magic Fest III. The Heritage Learning Team will be working with our Year 4 class across the year to bring a twist to history and couple it with magic! The project and standards are shared with the Department for Education and the Arts Council. At the end of the project, the class will perform live at the Lowther Pavilion along with the other schools who have been selected. Our final piece will be unique to us and staff are very excited about the impact of this project on the enjoyment of history and oracy in particular. Watch this space!

FOCS AGM Meeting – Wednesday 2nd October 7pm Boot & Shoe

FOCS is the school PTA made up of parents, grandparents and carers who enjoy providing the children with fun experiences whilst raising money to support school. Meeting 7pm until 8.30pm (ish) and opportunity for social drink afterwards. Great way to get to know some of the school community and we are always looking for new members so all welcome to join – we are a friendly bunch. Please contact the school office or Caroline if you have any questions.



ENRICHMENT CLUBS

Enrichment clubs have now been advertised on Class Dojo. Please see the summary timetable at the end of the newsletter.

HARVEST

Our Year 5 and 6 classes will be leading Harvest Festival this year at St. Anne's church on Sunday 22nd September. Children need to wear their school uniform. Details have been posted on the class pages.

YEAR 4 CHURCH WORSHIP

Our Year 4 class will lead the first church worship of this academic year on Thursday 19th September. Parents, carers and community are all welcome to the service which will start at 9.10am.

ONLINE SAFETY

Online safety will be covered across school next week. Each class will cover a different, age-appropriate safety topic as follows:

Reception: *Online reputation* - ways that information can be put on the internet.

Year 1: *Self-image and identity* - recognise there may be people online who could make someone feel sad, embarrassed or upset

Year 2: *Online relationships* – the need to always ask a trusted adult before clicking 'yes', 'agree' or 'accept' online

Year 3: *Online bullying* - appropriate ways to behave towards other people online and why this is important

Year 4: *Privacy and security* - strategies for keeping personal information private, depending on context

Year 5: *Online relationships* – knowing that there are some people whose intentions may not be trustworthy

Year 6: *Managing online information* – understanding 'opinions' can be disguised as 'facts'; why the popularity of an opinion or the personalities of those promoting it does not necessarily make it true, fair or perhaps legal

FOR PARENTS/CARERS : Please find below a link to a video on how to set up parental controls on an iPhone or iPad.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pDwOeoc6LAW>

TOWER WOOD PARENTS MEETING

Thank you to the parents who attended the Tower Wood information evening on Monday. If you could not make the meeting, please get in touch with Mrs. Macdonald or Mrs. Twigg who will provide you with details.

YEAR 6 PARENTS : SECONDARY APPLICATIONS

The deadline for secondary applications is 31st October.

INFORMAL WALKING BUS

Mr Massey has kindly volunteered to take a walking bus from Elswick each morning. Children should meet at the bus stop at the bottom of Copp Lane at 8.35am and the walking bus will set off at 8.40am. Thank you to Mr Massey who is trying to assist school with reducing cars to school.

In addition to this. Christine Thistlethwaite has kindly volunteered to lead a walking bus from Thorne Meadows car park on Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays. Please meet at 8.30am. If any parents can assist with Mondays and Fridays, this would be fantastic.

STARS ASSEMBLY

Due to whole-school photograph day tomorrow, there will be no Stars Assembly until Friday 20th September.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Photos are scheduled for tomorrow. If you wish for a picture with siblings together, please ensure the children arrive at school for 8.30am. Photographs will be taken in the hall.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We will be holding a coffee morning in school to raise funds for Macmillan. Cake donations would be welcome on Monday and Tuesday 23rd September.

MEET THE TEACHER

School will hold a Meet the Teacher evening on 2nd October – a chance to meet your child's class teacher and have a look at their classroom and school environment. This meeting is not a progress meeting as it is too early in the academic year, however, it will be a chance to see how your child is settling in their new class and to speak with your child's teacher.

SETTLING-IN MEETINGS

Pre-School and Reception classes will be offering settling in appointments to parents on Thursday 26th September, 3.30pm – 5.30pm. Teachers will be in touch shortly with details of how to book.

BISHOP PHILIP

We have had some wonderful news that Bishop Philip will formally pay us a visit to officially open school with our new name and Infant block. Further details will be shared nearer the time.

***Wishing our families a lovely weekend.
From all the team at St. Anne's Copp.***

AUTUMN 1 ENRICHMENT CLUBS

	Autumn 1 Clubs	Open to	Dates	Time	Price	Payable to	Location	How to get a place?	Places
Monday	Messy Church	All year groups	16.09.24 & 14.10.24	3.15pm-4.15pm	N/A	N/A	Church	Book via ParentPay	Yes
	KS2 Basketball	Y3-Y6	16.09.24 – 14.10.24	3.15pm-4.15pm	£5 per session	School	Playground	Book via ParentPay	Yes
Tuesday	Cook stars	All year groups	17.09.24 – 15.10.24	3.15pm-4.15pm	£11 per session	Cook stars	Hall	https://portal.cookstars.franscape.io/class-overview/352	Yes
Wednesday	Art & Craft Club	All year groups	18.09.24 – 16.10.24	3.15pm-4.15pm	£4 per session	School	Hall	FULL	No - Full
Thursday	Choir	Years 4 - 6	12.09.24 – 17.10.24	12.45pm – 1.15pm	N/A	N/A	Y3 Classroom	Children already signed up for Young Voices. If additional children (Y4-6) wish to join for fun, please book via email to : parent@coppsschool.lancs.sch.uk	No for Young Voices
	Ju-Jitsu	All year groups	12.09.24 – 17.10.24	3.15pm-4.15pm	£36	Activ8	Hall	Email info@activ8selfdefence.com.	Yes
Friday	Futsal	Reception to Y2	20.09.24-18.10.24	3.15pm-4.15pm	£5 per session	School	Hall	Book via ParentPay	Yes

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**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
PRIMARY**

APPLY NOW!
at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2025

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2025.

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



Need transport to school? Please don't forget to check your eligibility for free transport. Search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.



**CLOSING DATE
15 JANUARY 2025**

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