



Value this half term: Perseverance

29th January 2026

Head teacher's message.

Our Year 3 class led a truly uplifting service in church this morning. The worship was joyous and confident, with the children sharing a powerful message about perseverance, thoughtfully rooted in their learning from the Bible. They spoke and sang with real assurance, and it was wonderful to see their faith and understanding shine so clearly.

The service was very well attended, and we are grateful to everyone who came to support the children. Our sincere thanks also go to the church for so warmly welcoming our families and for providing refreshments afterwards—it was greatly appreciated by all.

Thank you to Miss Ainscough, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Rogers for organising and supporting.

DIARY DATES

29 th January	Y3 church worship
1 st February	Messy church
2 nd February	Dance Competition – Tower Ballroom
3 rd February	Pupil RE Conference
6 th February	Y3 to Dewlay Cheese
12 th February	Y2 church worship
13 th February	Values Assembly
13 th February	Break up for half term



RECEPTION : Poppy

- YEAR 1 : **Harry**
- YEAR 3 : **Aria**
- YEAR 5 : **Lyla**

- YEAR 2 : **Martha**
- YEAR 4 : **Jack H**
- YEAR 6 : **Bethan**

MY HAPPY MIND WINNERS :

- YEAR 1 **Lola** Attitude of gratitude
- YEAR 2 : **Lewis** Teamwork & friendship
- YEAR 3 : **Dollie** positive mindset
- YEAR 4 : **Owen**
- YEAR 5 : **Daniel** positive mindset
- YEAR 6 : **Bobby** love of learning

CHOIR

Children in Years 3 to 6 are encouraged to sign up for choir. This term, we will be singing in Lancashire Sings at Blackpool. School has 30 places for children who wish to take part in this event. There will be a small charge for the coach and tickets for the performance for families will need to be purchased. If your child wishes to be part of this event, it will be first come, first served for the 30 places. Please email parent@ FAO Ms. Loughran. If your child does not wish to take part in the event itself but would still like to be involved in rehearsals, we are very happy to support this. Specific information about Lancashire Sings can be found on the choir Class Dojo page.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD :
Alfie T (YR)

READING VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Year 2 are still looking for a volunteer to help children with their reading each week. If you are able to help, please email parent@coppschool.lancs.sch.uk

APPOINTMENTS AND ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

School understands that medical appointments can sometimes be difficult to arrange and, while our preference is always for these to take place outside of school hours where possible, we recognise that this is not always achievable.

In order to further strengthen our safeguarding procedures, when a child is collected from school during the day and is expected to return, parents and carers will now be asked to ensure they sign the **Pupil Signing Out** book. This additional measure has been introduced to enhance our oversight of pupils on site at all times, ensuring we have clear and accurate records of children's movements throughout the school day and can maintain the highest standards of safeguarding.

Thank you for your support in helping us keep all children safe.

At the end of the newsletter, we have provided some handy additional guidance for parents and carers regarding some of the more common illnesses that may impact a child's attendance at school.

DANCE COMPETITION

Final preparations are underway for the dance competition on Monday at the Tower Ballroom. We are very excited to see our team perform at the world-famous ballroom.

PINS PARENT SESSION

Thank you to the families who attended this session on Tuesday. We hope you found it useful.

MAKATON

This half term, school will be focusing on recovering all signs taught so far this academic year. Please see a collection of signs at the end of the newsletter.

ENRICHMENT CLUBS – SPRING 1

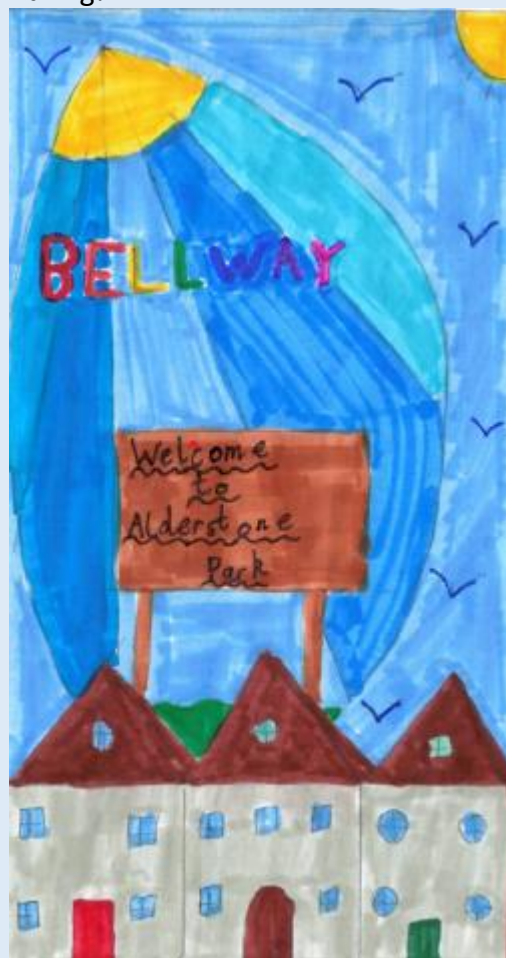
Please find the new list of enrichment clubs at the end of this newsletter.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

Well done to Year 3 who won last week's certificate with 99.1% attendance.

BELLWAY HOMES COMPETITION

Before Christmas, our children had the opportunity to design a flag that would suit the new Alderstone Park development in Great Ecclestone. The winner of the competition was Emily in Year 6. Emily's flag has been produced and installed on the new development and she will also receive a gift voucher for her design. Ellie's design (Y6) was chosen as second place and Alfie C (Y6) was awarded third place. Each of these children will receive a gift voucher. Well done to all the children that participated in school. They said they had a difficult job deciding on a winner as the quality of drawings was amazing!



**Have a lovely weekend.
From all the team at St. Anne's Copp.**

WELL DONE RED TEAM!

Another step up the leaderboard.

MAKATON SIGNS COVERED SO FAR THIS YEAR

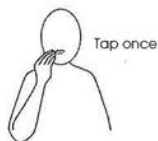


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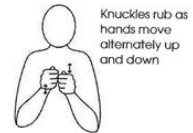


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Bottom sign : Dad / Daddy / Father**

Food (1)



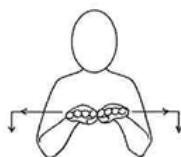
Brother



Sister



Table



Car



House
(this can be used for both 'House'
and 'Home' if a more iconic version is
required for 'Home')



Stage 1

Home
(see note on 'House')

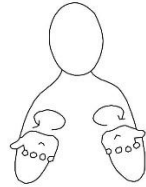


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varied to suit context

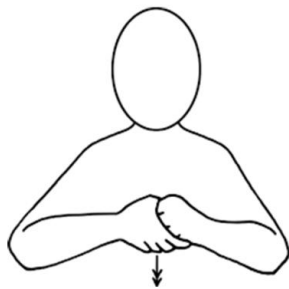
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Friends

Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell. There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about [health protection and managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK](#). These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone/email the school or nursery on the morning of the first day. Let them know that your child won't be in and give them the reason. If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, let their teacher know.

What to do about other conditions

High temperature

If your child has a [high temperature](#), keep them off school until it goes away.

Feeling anxious or worried

It's normal for children to feel a little anxious sometimes. They may get a tummy ache or headache, or have problems eating or sleeping. Avoiding school can make a child's anxiety about going to school worse. It's good to talk about any worries they may have such as bullying, friendship problems, school work or sensory problems. You can also work with the school to find ways to help them. If your child is still struggling and it's affecting their everyday life, it might be good to talk to your GP or school nurse.

[Find information and advice about how to help children with anxiety](#)

Coughs and colds

It's fine to send your child to school with slight [cough](#) or [common cold](#) symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat or headache, as long as they're otherwise well and do not have a high temperature. But if they have a high temperature, keep them off school until the temperature has gone. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly.

Chickenpox

If your child has [chickenpox](#), keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

Cold sores

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have a [cold sore](#). Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.

Conjunctivitis

You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have [conjunctivitis](#), unless they are feeling very unwell. Do get advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.

COVID-19

If your child has mild symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, and feels well enough, they can go to school. Your child should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have [symptoms of COVID-19](#) and they either:

- have a high temperature

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- do not feel well enough to go to school or do their normal activities

What to do if your child has tested positive

Your child is no longer required to do a COVID-19 rapid lateral flow test if they have symptoms. But if your child has tested positive for COVID-19, they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test.

Ear infection

If your child has an [ear infection](#) and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away.

Hand, foot and mouth disease

If your child has [hand, foot and mouth disease](#) but seems well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.

Impetigo

If your child has [impetigo](#), they'll need treatment from a pharmacist or GP, often with antibiotics.

Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment. Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly and not to share things like towels and cups with other children at school.

Measles

If your child has [measles](#), they'll need to see a GP. Call the GP surgery before you go in, as measles can spread to others easily. Keep your child off school for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. They should also avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system.

Ringworm

If your child has [ringworm](#), see your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

Scarlet fever

If your child has [scarlet fever](#), they'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

Slapped cheek syndrome (fifth disease)

You don't need to keep your child off school if they have [slapped cheek syndrome](#) because, once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious. But let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.

Sore throat

You can still send your child to school if they have a [sore throat](#). But if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away. A sore throat and a high temperature can be symptoms of [tonsillitis](#).

Threadworms

You don't need to keep your child off school if they have [threadworms](#). Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend a treatment.

Vomiting and diarrhoea

Children with [diarrhoea or vomiting](#) should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

Spring 1	Clubs	Open to	Dates	Time	Price	Payable to	Location	How to get a place?	Places
Monday	Messy Church	Reception to Y6	12.01.26 & 09.02.26	3.15pm-4.30pm	N/A	School	Church	Book via ParentPay	Yes
	Ju-Jitsu	Reception to Y6	12.01.26-09.02.26	3.15pm-4.15pm	£36	Activ8	Hall	Email: info@activ8selfdefence.com.	Yes
Tuesday	Acrobatic and tumbling club	Y3-Y6	06.01.26-10.02.26	3.15pm-4.15pm	£6 per session	Collaboration dance	Hall	Email: info@collaborationdancearts.com	Yes
Wednesday	Art and Craft Club	Reception – Y6	07.01.26 -11.02.26	3.15pm-4.15pm	£30	School	Classroom	Book via ParentPay	Yes
	KS1 Cricket	R-Y2	07.01.26-11.02.26	3.15pm-4.15pm	£30	School	Playground	Book via ParentPay	Yes
Thursday	<u>Golfstarz</u>	Y1-Y6	08.01.26-12.02.26	3.15pm-4.15pm	£30	<u>Golfstarz</u>	Playground	Email blackpoolgolfstarz@gmail.com	Yes
	Choir	Y3-Y6	Various	Lunchtime	N/A	N/A	Y3	Email: parent@coppschool.lancs.sch.uk	Yes
Friday	Cook Stars	Reception to Y6	09.01.26-06.02.26	3.15pm-4.30pm	£57.50	Cook stars	Hall	https://portal.cookstars.franscape.io/class-overview/3151	Yes

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