

Lower Peover CofE (Aided) Primary School

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A place to learn where everyone feels welcome; based on a foundation of love, wisdom, & respect.



Weekly Newsletter Friday 6th September 2024



Welcome back for the new academic year. We hope you all had a lovely summer.

All children have settled really well into their new classes this week.

Nut Free School

A reminder that we are a nut free school. We do have a child in school who has a severe allergy to nuts, requiring an epi-pen. Please do not send in any snack or packed lunch item containing nuts – thank you for your co-operation

Some news from last academic year...

We received notice during the summer that we raised an incredible £1,918.07 (pre-gift aid) for Northwest Cancer Research from the Hope Run in July. A huge thank you for all your support for this event. NWCR will be in school next Tuesday to present a large cheque and take pictures for some publicity.

Student Leaders 2024-25

The class ambassadors for the Autumn 1 Half Term are:

Year 3: Jack & Ailsa
Year 4: Bethany & Josh
Year 5: Lexy & Miles
Year 6: Lily & Rory

Ethos Group (Years 4-6 inclusive children)

The Ethos group will remain the same children as last academic year.

Year 4: Isabella, Jack D, Arya & Elwynn
Year 5: Aapo, Alexa, Phoebe & Rory
Year 6: Alfie, Isla, Harry & Ellie

Mrs Dean will select our School Parliament representatives on the Northwich Educational Partnership board as the events commence.

Junior Safety Officers

Lexy & Hugo K (Y6)

Mental Health Ambassadors

Jess & Elliott (Y6)
Immy & James (Y5)

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Fundraising Event – The Joshua Tree - Friday 13th September

This wonderful charity has, and continues, to provide invaluable support to one of our families, as their little boy continues his fight against Leukaemia.

As well as organising and planning the route, securing corporate sponsorship, and convincing fellow cyclists this was a good idea! Mr Blain is also taking part in the team riding the event, along with fellow Year 4 dad, Mr Carter-Cressy. The Giraffe-to-Giraffe cycle starts at London Zoo, covering 250 miles over three days, to Chester Zoo to feed the giraffes.

We, as a school, are looking to support their fundraising efforts, so will be holding a fun run, around the school field on Friday 13th September. Children are encouraged to come into school on this day representing their own favourite animal, with a face mask, face paint or even a costume. Please can children wear their PE kit if they are not wearing a costume. There is no set distance for the children to complete, just as many laps of the field that they can manage.

To help raise funds, please donate, if you are able to, via the following link: [Craig Blain is fundraising for The Joshua Tree \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/craig-blain)

As a result of this event, there will be no Forest School for Year 6 on this day. This has been rearranged for them to have a joint Forest School session with their Reception Buddies on Friday 25th October



YOUNG VOICES

Choir members only - Further to the email sent earlier this week, can all choir members please activate your platform for Young Voices. This year you are required to book your ticket & T-shirt requirements directly via the site you have registered on. School will not be placing any order for tickets/t-shirts. **The deadline for you to order is 31st October.** Your items will be delivered to school, and we will distribute prior to the concert.

<https://yvmusicroom.com/auth/parent/register-referral?code=NTIxNS8xNzI1MzY4Mjg2>

Photographs – Wednesday 11th September

A reminder that individual & sibling photographs will take place next Wednesday morning. Children are able to wear either their summer or winter uniform. We have a reserve date of 25th September, should the weather be adverse next week.

Cross Country – Wednesday 11th September

For those children who are taking part in the cross-country next week, please can they wear their white PE t-shirts to this event. We do not have enough school sport tops for all the children taking part – thank you

Sports Coaching Group – Wednesday After School Club – effective 11th September onwards

Due to the very low uptake of the Wednesdays after school club (Reception, Years 1 & 2), we have liaised with Sports Coaching Group, and will be altering this club. Over the summer, we received a request from some parents to run a girl only football club. This club will be available for girls in Years 1 – 4 inclusive. To book onto this after school club please do so via the SCP website. Full details on how to book can be found on the After School Club page of the school website.

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Term Time Leave & Fixed Penalty Notices - IMPORTANT

A new National Framework for Penalty Notices for School Absence will come into effect from the 19th August 2024. A penalty notice is an out of court settlement which is intended to cause improved attendance without the need for a criminal prosecution.

From September the Fixed Penalty Notice charge, issued by Cheshire West & Chester Council, will increase to £160 per child per parent (£80 per child per parent if paid with 28 days).

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice, to the same parents, for the same pupil within 3 years of the first notice, the second notice is charged at a flat rate of £160 per child per parent, if paid within 28 days.

A third penalty notice must not be issued within a 3-year period. Therefore, in cases where the threshold is met for a third (or subsequent) times within those 3 years, alternative action should be taken instead. This will often include considering prosecution but may include other tools such as one of the other attendance legal interventions.

The National Framework aims to:

- **Make penalty notices more effective** by ensuring they are only used in cases where they are the most appropriate tool.
- **Prioritise the support first approach** by expecting support to be used in cases where it is appropriate.
- **Improve consistency in the use of penalty notices across England** by introducing a new national threshold at which they are considered.
- **Improve the deterrent effect of a penalty notice** by increasing the amount and introducing a new national limit of 2 penalty notices within a 3-year period.

Specifically, the National Framework includes:

- A single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period.
- This can be made up of a combination of any type of **unauthorised** absence, such as 4 sessions of holiday taken in term time plus 6 sessions of arriving late after the register closes, all taken within any 10-school week period. This will be assessed these as they occur.
- The unauthorised absence sessions can be consecutive (e.g. 10 sessions of holiday in one week) or sporadic (e.g. 6 sessions of unauthorised absence in 1 week and 1 per week for the next 4 weeks).
- The 10-school week period may span different terms or school years (e.g. 2 sessions of unauthorised absence in the Summer Term and a further 8 within the Autumn Term).

Collective Worship

Each Friday our whole school Collective Worship will be a Praise Assembly where children will share their work. This will alternate by Key Stage and be held in the school hall, commencing at approx 9am. We have scheduled some Collective Worship to take place in Church, these will be communicated within this section.

Parents are very welcome to attend all Friday Collective Worship and Church Services.

We do encourage a calm atmosphere in school, particularly in Collective Worship and ask that parents attending remain quiet when the children come into the hall – thank you for your cooperation.

Friday 13th September – Key Stage 1 Praise
Friday 20th September – Key Stage 2 Praise
Friday 27th September – Key Stage 1 Praise
Friday 4th October – Years 1 & 2 Harvest Festival Service in Church
Friday 11th October – Key Stage 2 Harvest Festival Service in Church
Friday 18th October – Key Stage 2 Praise
Friday 25th October – Key Stage 1 Praise

Please note: There is no Collective Worship in school when Church services take place

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Year 5 Mini Medic Sessions – Mental Health through Sport

The dates below are when Mini Medic sessions are running. The sessions detailed below will replace the 2nd PE lesson for Year 5. Children should wear their PE kits on a Wednesday and not Thursday – thank you

Wednesday 18th September

Wednesday 25th September

Wednesday 2nd October

Wednesday 9th October

Wednesday 16th October

Wednesday 23rd October

Forest School Rota 2024

Friday 13th September – No Forest School (Year 6 – Rearranged to 25th October)

Friday 20th September – Year 5

Friday 27th September – Year 4

Friday 4th October – Year 3

Friday 11th October – Year 2

Friday 18th October – Year 1

Friday 25th October – Reception & Year 6

To comply with our risk assessment, all children must wear suitable outdoor clothes (long sleeve tops & long trousers/leggings – no football kits)

plus, outdoor shoes (please bring shoes to change into).

Hair must be tied up.

If incorrect clothing is worn, unfortunately, children will be unable to take part in the session.

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Photograph Consent Survey (Years 1-6 inclusive)

Thank you to those parents who have already completed the survey on school spider. A reminder that the deadline for completion is Monday 9th September at 12 noon.

If no response is received, we assume that no consent is given, so your child's photograph will not be used.

Reception Parents

Thank you to those parents who have completed the parent handbook information pages and returned to school. We are still outstanding a few forms.

If these could be returned as a matter of urgency, so the office staff can complete your child's online file, and enable us to activate all the systems you will need – thank you

Peripatetic Music – Years 1 to 6 inclusive

Lucy Thomson has one space available for either private piano or violin lessons this academic year. If you are interested, please contact Lucy directly on lucyannethomson@yahoo.co.uk for the cost and more information. A reminder that children in Years 1 – 6 inclusive are only able to learn one instrument to minimise disruption of their other learning.

Weekly Attendance

Winning Year Group – Year 4

Reception: 72.41% (due to the children's phased start)

Year 1: 96.88%

Year 2: 92.31%

Year 3: 94.40%

Year 4: 97.35%

Year 5: 86.98%

Year 6: 93.44%

Whole School: 90.73%

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Dojo's

We are currently updating our behaviour/relationship policy and will be introducing a new individual weekly acknowledgement for the children (replacing Dojo master)

"Vision Star of the week" will be awarded and will tie in with our new values of Love, Wisdom, and Respect.

Dojos will still be awarded for Team points

Further details will be provided once this has been finalised.

Weekly Team Points

Red Team: 3rd place (275 points)

Blue Team: 4th place (268 points)

Green Team: 2nd place (283 points)

Yellow Team: 1st place (284 points)

Dates, Events & Information

2024-25 Academic year

Autumn 1 Half Term 2024

- Wednesday 11th September – School Photographs (individual & siblings)
- Friday 13th September – Fun Run for The Joshua Tree
- Thursday 19th September – Open Morning 1 (9.30am – 11.30am)
- Wednesday 25th September – School Photographs (reserve date)
- Tuesday 1st October – Open Morning 2 (9.30am – 11.30am)
- Friday 4th October – Harvest Festival service in Church (Years 1 & 2 only)
- Monday 7th October – Pilgrim Day - Year 5 class trip
- Friday 11th October – Harvest Festival service in Church (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)
- Friday 18th October – FLPS Event – Autumn Disco (details to follow)
- Monday 21st October – Reception Parents Stay & Play (2pm onwards)
- Tuesday 22nd October – Volcano & Earthquakes Workshop – Year 5
- Thursday 24th October – Open Morning 3 (9.30am – 11.30am)
- Thursday 24th October – Parent Consultation Evening 1 (4pm – 6.30pm)
- Friday 25th October – Last Day of Term

Autumn 2 Half Term 2024

- Monday 4th November – INSET DAY
- Tuesday 5th November – First Day Day of Term for children
- Thursday 7th November – Parent Consultation Evening 2 (4pm – 6.30pm)
- Friday 15th November – Pyjama Appeal Donation Day (details to follow)
- Thursday 21st November – Year 4 Class Assembly & Class Visit (9am onwards)
- Tuesday 3rd December – Reception Class Nativity to Parents (school hall approx 9am)
- Wednesday 4th December – Years 1 & 2 Nativity to **Year 1 parents only** (school hall approx 9am)
- Thursday 5th December – Years 1 & 2 Nativity to **Year 2 parents only** (school hall approx 9am)
- Tuesday 17th December – Key Stage 2 Christmas Production to **Year 5 & 6 parents only** (in Church approx 9am)
- Thursday 19th December – Key Stage 2 Christmas Production to **Years 3 & 4 parents only** (in Church approx 9am)

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After School Clubs

Autumn 1 Half Term 2024 (03.09.24 – 25.10.24 inclusive)

Day	Club	Number of places	Cost	Staff Member	Year Group(s)	INFORMATION
Monday	Jewellery	Max. 14	£4.50 per child per week	Miss Haslam	Years 1 & 2	Fully Booked
Monday	Vocal Coaching Club		£38 per half term	Mr Stannard	Years 2-6 inclusive	Please contact Mr Stannard directly on jstannard@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk confident Year 1 children are welcome
Tuesday	Choir (Young Voices)	Max. 45	£20 for all rehearsals	Mrs Maddock	Years 3 – 6 inc	Fully Booked Rehearsal Dates: From 10 th September up to & incl. 26 th November. Resuming from 7 th January to 28 th January 2025 incl. Concert Date 6 th February 2025
Thursday	Lower Peover Band		£38 per half term	Mr Stannard	Years 2-6 inclusive	Please contact Mr Stannard directly on jstannard@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk
Thursday	Breathe work & Meditation	Max. 20	£4.50 per child per week	External provider – Vicki Dean	Years 5 & 6	8 places available

Please note – All clubs will commence the first week back after the half term break unless otherwise communicated.

All clubs will run unless you receive a separate communication regarding cancellation

Please ensure you have paid on ParentPay to secure your place request(s)

Sports Coaching Group After School Clubs

Autumn 1 Half Term 2024 (03.09.24 – 25.10.24 inclusive)

Day	Year Groups	Activity
Monday	3 – 6 inclusive	Basketball
Tuesday	Rec, 1 & 2	Fundamental Games (throwing, running, catching)
Wednesday	1 – 4 inclusive	Football (Girls only)
Thursday	3- 6 inclusive	Football
Friday	All year groups	Multi Sports

The system is live to take bookings. Please use the link below.

Autumn Term 1: <https://sports-coaching-group.classforkids.io/term/705>

All clubs will run unless you receive a separate communication regarding cancellation