



Friday 11th September 2026

Diary dates

Dates for the academic year can be found on our website



Monday 14th September 9-10am
Parent Forum Meeting



Monday 14th September
Year 5 SCARF Puberty Talks



Wednesday 23rd September 3.30-5.30pm
Open Day for New EYFS Parents



Thursday 24th September 11am
Transition Visit from Milfield



Friday 25th September
Whole School-Intra School Sports



Monday 28th September
BSYW Assembly 9-9.30am



Tuesday 29th September 3.30-4.30pm
PTFA Meeting



Wednesday 30th September 9-9.40am
Bring Your Parents to Phonics



TBC- Transition Visit From Milfield

Headteacher's Message

We have had a great full week in school, and it has been wonderful to see all of our children settled, happy, and ready to learn. The positive start to the school year has been lovely to see, and we are incredibly proud of how well the children have adapted to their new classes and routines.

Please take a moment to read the two important notices below regarding:

Contacting school

Parking arrangements at drop-off and pick-up times

Your support with both of these matters is greatly appreciated and helps us to ensure the safety and smooth running of the school day.

Parent Forum Meeting

Our first Parent Forum of the school year will take place here in school on Monday at 9:00am.

We would be delighted for parents and carers to join us as we begin planning our 60th Anniversary Celebrations. This is an exciting milestone for our school, and we would welcome your ideas and contributions.

Please come to the main school entrance at 9:00am. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Barr



Attendance Matters



All schools have a responsibility to monitor and improve attendance across their school community. We are committed to this responsibility and ensuring that children receive the education to which they are entitled. It is vital that children are in school every day if they are well enough.

Weekly Attendance

Attendance Matters!

Well done to Foundation Stage, who have the highest attendance this week.

Year Group	Weekly Attendance Week commencing 07/09/26
Foundation Stage	99.4%
Year 1	96.7%
Year 2	93.2%
Year 3	97.5%
Year 4	96.3%
Year 5	98.0%
Year 6	96.3%



95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 9.5 days or 1 week & 4.5 days of learning missed
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 19 days or 3 weeks & 4 days of learning missed
85%	=	143 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 28.5 days or 5 weeks & 3.5 days of learning missed
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 38 days or 7 weeks & 3 days of learning missed
75%	=	237.5 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 47.5 days or 9 weeks & 2.5 days of learning missed

EVERY
DAY
MATTERS!

WHAT DO YOUR
ATTENDANCE
FIGURES ACTUALLY
MEAN?

PERCENTAGES BASED ON 190
ACADEMIC DAYS

This week in pictures



Foundation

This week in Foundation we have enjoyed exploring all of the areas and resources and learning all of the new rules and routines. We have made new friends too. It has been a brilliant first week!



Year 1

Year 1 have been working hard on practising their careful counting!



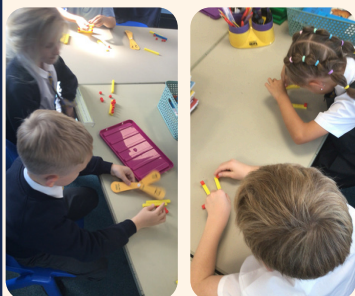
Year 2

Some children in Year 2 have had their first computing lesson this week. They have practised mousepad and keyboard skills using sorting games.



Year 3

Year 4 have been using practical resources to help us with their learning in maths.



Year 4

Year 4 have been developing their skills as geographers this week and learnt how to use an atlas to locate the towns and villages along Morecambe Bay.



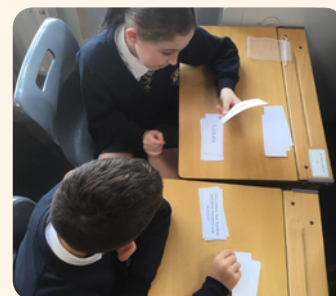
Year 5

Year 5 used Newtons to measure force of different sized balls in Science.



Year 6

Year 6 have been learning all about place value. Some children enjoying playing 'Place Value Snap' with numbers and representations to 10,000,000.



Notices



Junior Leadership Team News

This has been our very first week back at school! We hope everyone has had a fantastic summer holiday and that all our children are feeling refreshed, happy and ready to learn. Everyone has been working incredibly hard in our amazing school environment. Over the summer holidays, areas of the school underwent a fantastic makeover, creating even better places for our great children to learn and thrive.

Several of our playgrounds have been refurbished, helping children enjoy their break times and return to lessons feeling refreshed and ready to learn. Our library has also been transformed, providing a welcoming space where a love of reading can continue to grow. In addition, we have had donations of new chairs for the PPA room and new bins around the school, helping to keep our environment tidy and comfortable.

All of the pupils at Anchorsholme are settling well into their new classrooms and getting to know their new teachers. The teachers are also enjoying working with their new classes and have been impressed by the children's enthusiasm and positive attitude.

Thank you for reading!

Lila-Grace, Elsie, Myla and Jack

Notices



Please Read

On Wednesday morning during drop-off, there was a "near miss" on East Pines Drive when a car parked between the "Do Not Park Here" signs whilst a child was being dropped off at school. Thankfully, no one was injured, but this incident serves as an important reminder for us all to take extra care during drop-off and pick-up times.

To help ensure the safety of our children, families and staff, we kindly ask that all drivers:
Adhere to speed limits at all times.

Drive slowly and remain vigilant for children and families crossing roads.

Park considerately and avoid blocking driveways and junctions.

Please follow all parking restrictions, including the areas marked with "Do Not Park Here" signs.

The safety of our school community is everyone's responsibility, and we appreciate your support in helping to keep our children safe.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Class Dojo/Tapestry (Foundation Stage Only)

We value positive communication between home and school and encourage parents and carers to use Class Dojo or Tapestry (Foundation Stage only) to contact their child's teacher.

Please be aware that staff are teaching throughout the school day and are therefore unable to regularly check or respond to messages during lesson time. Staff will endeavour to check messages between 8:00am and 8:40am and at the end of the school day until 4:30pm.

While we always aim to respond as promptly as possible, replies may not be immediate and, in some cases, may be sent the following working day. Staff will aim to respond to messages within 48 working hours.

We kindly ask families to respect that staff have personal and family commitments outside of school. Messages sent in the evenings, at weekends, or during school holidays will not be monitored or responded to until staff return to work.

Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain a healthy work-life balance for our staff.

School Office

For any urgent matters, including:

Reporting a child absence

Changes to home time collection arrangements

Time sensitive queries or messages

please contact the school office directly on 01253 855215 or email admin@anchorsholme.svt.org.uk.

Please do not use Class Dojo or Tapestry for urgent communications, as these messages may not be seen in time.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.



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8th September 2026

Free School Meal Eligibility Changes from September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to update you about important changes to Free School Meal (FSM) eligibility that came into effect on 1 September 2026. These changes have been introduced by the Government and are expected to benefit many more families across England.

All children in England whose households receive Universal Credit are now entitled to Free School Meals, regardless of household income. This means that some families who were previously not eligible may now qualify.

Important Information for Existing FSM Recipients

All previous Free School Meal awards ended on 31 August 2026. To receive Free School Meals from September 2026 onwards, families must submit a new application and reapply each year to confirm their eligibility.

Free School Meals are now divided into two categories:

- **Targeted FSM:** For families receiving Universal Credit and earning less than £7,400 per year (excluding benefits).
- **Expanded FSM:** For all other families receiving Universal Credit.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue to receive **Universal Infant Free School Meals**. However, if your family receives Universal Credit, we strongly encourage you to apply for benefits-based Free School Meals, as this may provide additional funding for the school and could help your family access other forms of support.

How to Apply

Please complete an online application for Free School Meals using the link below:
[Apply for Free School Meals](#)

If you are unsure whether you qualify, we encourage you to apply, as eligibility checks are quick and confidential. If you would like assistance with the application process, please contact the school office and a member of staff will be happy to help.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Barr

Headteacher



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OPEN EVENING

Thursday
17th September
4:30pm - 7:30pm

Headteacher talks at 5:30pm and 6:30pm

Welcome to Montgomery Academy!

Dear Families,

On behalf of all the students and staff, we are delighted to invite you and your child to our upcoming Montgomery Academy Open Evening.

This is a pivotal moment in your child's educational journey, and we want to ensure you have all the information and inspiration needed to make the right choice for secondary school. Our Open Evening is a wonderful opportunity to:

- Tour our school: See our facilities in person, guided by our students who will give you an authentic view of daily life at Montgomery.
- Meet our staff: Our dedicated team of subject teachers, tutors, and support staff will be available to answer all your questions about our curriculum, learning support, and extra-curricular opportunities.
- Discover our success: Hear about our recent achievements, from our Year 7 Lancashire Cup success to our Amp It Up music festival.

A highlight of the evening will be the talks from our Headteacher, offering an insight into our vision for your child's future. These talks will take place at 5:30pm and 6:30pm in the assembly hall.

We are very proud of our inclusive and ambitious community. We invite you to experience the energy and warmth of Montgomery Academy first-hand and see why we believe every child can thrive here.

We very much look forward to welcoming you and your family on Thursday 17th September, from 4:30pm.

Best wishes
Mrs Campbell



Assistant Headteacher: Transition Lead

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OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER, 10.00AM

and private tours available all year round

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ROSSALL GOLF X TOMMY FLEETWOOD ACADEMY
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SCAN TO BOOK

