



Newsletter

13th October 2023



Parent Governor

We still have a vacancy on our Governing Body for one parent governor. Here is what Hayley, one of our existing parent governors, has to say about the role.

'I have been on the Governing Body at Coupe Green since 2020 and it has been a privilege to be a part of the school's journey so far. I have found the role extremely rewarding, as I am able to work alongside the other Governors, and in partnership with the school, to ensure that each and every child is happy and successful at Coupe Green. As Governors, we all come from many different backgrounds and have a variety of skills and experience. I work for the Local Authority within the Safeguarding, Inspection & Audit service and have a special interest in Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. No matter where your expertise or interests lie, such as in Business, Finance, Health and Safety or Communications, there is something for everyone and you can all bring something valuable to the Governing Body. There is also lots of training available to help to develop your knowledge to become a more effective Governor. If you are able to offer your time and commitment, a listening ear, and have a willingness to ask questions and challenge, then please consider joining the team as a Parent Governor.'

If you think you might be interested, or you'd just like some more information to help you decide, please contact Mrs Masterson in the school office.

Special Assemblies

During the final week of this half term, we look forward to two special assemblies in school. Firstly, Rev Naylor is visiting us on Tuesday, 17th October to lead a special Harvest Assembly and, secondly, we look forward to celebrating the excellent work and effort of our pupils at our Golden Merit Assembly on Friday, 20th October.

Kids Club

Our Kids Club team continue to provide wonderful activities for our children. This half term, the children have really enjoyed creating with beads – we have lots of budding jewellers. All the fun had, is making Kids Club a very busy place and we are reaching our maximum capacity every evening. Please could we remind families to ensure that bookings are made in advance, as places are booking up quickly, meaning that on the day bookings can't be accommodated.

If anyone has any lego, which can be donated to Kids Club, please pass this to the school office. Thank you.

Attendance

Good attendance is very important, so that children are given as much opportunity as possible to develop academically and socially. When children are absent from school, they often find it difficult to catch up on the work they have missed and can feel unsettled by this. We monitor children's attendance each half term, so that we can support families quickly, when attendance is at risk of being below target or persistently absent. When monitoring attendance, we consider authorised absences, diagnosed illness / periods of sickness, and absences which have been discussed via request forms. When children's attendance is identified as at risk of being below the school target or categorised as persistent absence, school will inform parents and act quickly to support attendance increasing. We value your support and co-operation in ensuring that all our children access the very best education.

Spruce Up School Event

Thank you to all those who gave up their time to help at our Spruce Up School Event on Wednesday 4th October. We managed to complete phase two of the works, adding gravelled areas to highlight sculptures and completed weeding so that our veg beds are ready for planting in Spring.

Friends Of Coupe Green News

Christmas and Halloween Planning Meeting 16th October

If you would like to help out with any of our upcoming events or share any ideas you have, please pop along to our next informal meeting at The Oak, 6:00pm on Monday.

Spooky & Sparkly Disco - 1st November

Tickets for the disco are now available to purchase on ParentPay at £3.50.

Infants - 3:15pm - 4:30pm
Juniors - 4:45pm – 6:00pm

£3.50 includes a hot dog, drink and sweets, with alternatives for all dietary requirements. The children who attend After School Club do not need to pay for a ticket.

This will also be a Non-Uniform Day! For pupils who **aren't** attending the disco, please bring a £1 Non-Uniform Day cash donation on Wednesday 1st November. Thank you.

Pumpkin Decorating Competition 1st November

If children would like to enter our annual pumpkin decorating competition, any entries are to be brought in to school in the morning on Wednesday 1st November, please, and left at the entrance on our Autumnal display. Entry for the pumpkin decorating competition is just £1 via ParentPay, please. Please write your child's name **underneath** the pumpkin, so they can be judged anonymously. The pumpkins will be judged and prizes awarded during assembly, later in the week.

Sponsored Santa Dash - 22nd November

Entry is now open for our first festive, family fun run! Each participant will receive a Santa Dash medal and a Santa hat. The entry fee is £2, to be paid in cash at the school office.

Please send money in a sealed envelope with the names of all participants, the amount enclosed and FAO 'Friends of Coupe Green' You should have received an email containing a form to collect sponsorship. Paper copies of this form can also be collected from the school office.

Entries close on 1st November, as we need enough time to ensure we have ordered the correct number of medals and hats!

Christmas Fair – 2nd December

Please pop the date in your diary for our annual Christmas Fair, which will take place from 1:00pm to 4:00pm on Saturday 2nd December.



Applying for School Places – Sept 2024

School admissions for places in September 2024 are now open. Please apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools or call 01772 532109. You must apply, even if you already have siblings in the school.

The closing dates for applications are:

31st October 2023 for secondary applicants
15th January 2024 for primary applicants

Reception Vision Screening

Vision Screening is an integral part of your child's health. Every child in our Reception Cohort will have their vision screened on Tuesday 31st October, unless parents let us know that they do not wish their child to take part. A separate information sheet and an opt-out letter, only to be returned if you do NOT wish your child to have their vision screened, will be sent home today, Friday 13th October.

Diary Dates	
Monday 16th Oct	6:00pm Friends Of Coupe Green Meeting at The Oak
Tuesday 17th Oct	2:45pm Harvest Assembly with Rev Naylor
Wednesday 18th Oct	3:15pm Multi Skills Club (5 of 5)
Thursday 19th Oct	3:30pm Central Venue League Football at Withy Grove Park (3 of 3)
Friday 20th Oct	3:15pm School Closes for Half Term
Monday 30th Oct	8:40am School Opens for Autumn 2 3:15pm KS2 Art Club Begins
Tuesday 31st Oct	9:30am Vision Screening for Reception Pupils
Wednesday 1st Nov	FOCG Non-Uniform Day, Pumpkin Decorating Competition and Spooky & Sparkly Discos
Thursday 2nd Nov	National Outdoor Classroom Day
Wednesday 8th Nov	Individual and Family School Photographs
Friday 10th Nov	NHS Yogi Pupil Mental Health Day
Wednesday 22nd Nov	3:00pm Friends Of Coupe Green Santa Dash
Wednesday 29th Nov	3:30pm – 5:30pm Parents Evening (1)
Saturday 2nd Dec	1:00pm – 4:00pm Friends Of Coupe Green Christmas Fair
Monday 4th Dec	Elm Class Victorian Christmas Visit to Gawthorpe Hall
Wednesday 6th Dec	4:30pm – 6:30pm Parents Evening (2)