





13th September 2024

## **Open Events for Prospective Parents**

If you know someone with a child due to start Reception in September 2025, please make them aware of our two upcoming open event sessions. The first will be an Open Evening on Wednesday 9th October from 5:00pm – 6:00pm and the second will be an Open Morning from 9:30am – 11:00am on Thursday 10th October. Each session will begin with an introductory talk from Mrs Littlewood.

In order for us to plan ahead for the correct number of parents, we politely request that those planning to attend should please email enquiries@coupegreen.lancs.sch.uk to book their place at either session.

If anyone you know is looking for a Pre-School place in September 2025 and will have a child who will be three years old at 1st September 2025, please note that they are also very welcome to email us to book on to an open event session.

### **Kids Club**

Would you, or someone you know, like to work at our happy, popular Kids Club?

At present, many of our Breakfast Club and After School Club registers are full and we only have the following spaces available for ad-hoc bookings:

Tuesday After School Club – 1 space Wednesday Breakfast Club – 1 space Thursday Breakfast Club – 2 spaces Friday Breakfast Club – 3 spaces Friday After School Club – 6 spaces

Please note that the above availability is, as things stand, and is changing regularly.

Therefore, in order to be able to accept more regular bookings and ad-hoc requests, we are looking to increase our Kids Club staffing. If anyone you know would be interested in working at either our Breakfast Club (7:30am – 8:45am) or our After School Club (3:15pm – 5:45pm), please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

### Applying for School Places - Sept 2025

School admissions for places in September 2025 are now open. It's quick, easy and secure to 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: 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 for secondary applicants 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025 for primary applicants

## **Central Venue League Football**

Best of luck to our football team, who are taking part in the Central Venue Football Competition, which begins on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September from 3:45pm until 5:00pm at Withy Grove Park. Matches will take place every Thursday for three weeks with the last matches being held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Parents and spectators are allowed to watch from behind the fences.

We look forward to hearing all about the matches and are sure our team will represent the school well.

### **County Hall Visit**

A group of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils have been invited by our local councillor, Barrie Yates, to visit County Hall, on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September. This is an exciting opportunity for pupils to visit the council chambers, see Lancashire archives, understand the role of local councils, improve their knowledge of democracy and see the inner workings of Lancashire County Council. We look forward to a very enjoyable and interesting day.

### **School Lunches**

School lunches are now available to book on ParentPay for the full half term, through to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Please book as far ahead as possible. A special 'Hello Autumn!' lunch will be served on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October. All pupils are welcome to book this special lunch and ad-hoc, occasional lunch bookings of favourite meals are always welcome too.

## Friends of Coupe Green News Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Please join us for our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 8th October, at 6:00pm in The Oak. This will be a quick round-up of the past year's events, fundraising successes, summary of money raised and an opportunity to elect a committee for the next year. We always welcome extra hands to help plan upcoming events. Whether you have spare time, or simply want to join us for a social visit, we would love to see you.

Everyone welcome!

# Pumpkin Decorating Competition and Disco

Children are invited to decorate a pumpkin and bring it to school on the morning of Monday, 28th October. All decorated pumpkins will be showcased on the Autumnal display outside the front of the school and blind judged during the day. The prize categories are: most creative, most unique and pumpkins that make us smile!

On Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> October, children are invited to come to school dressed in spooky and sparkly costumes! Please remember that masks, weapons, or anything too scary for younger children are not allowed. FOCG kindly asks for a voluntary donation of £1 for this non-uniform day.

That same day, we will host a spooky and sparkly disco! Infants will attend straight after school, while juniors will join us from 4:45pm. The non-uniform donation of £1 is included in your disco ticket price of £3.50, which also covers the disco, food, a drink, and a small packet of sweets. Payment can be made via Parentpay. Children who attend After School Club on that day do not need a ticket but can bring in £1 if they wish to wear non-uniform.

## **Twinkling Trails**

Mark your calendars for 7th December as we present our first-ever Twinkling Trails event! Join us for a mesmerising laser and light trail held on the school grounds. Thank you to all those who have already purchased tickets, we have sold 400 already! Tickets are now very limited, so be sure to secure yours as soon as possible.

In addition to the trail, there will be a grotto (tickets must be purchased prior to the event), beautiful gift, cake and sweets stalls, delicious food, drinks, marshmallow toasting, and mulled wine. Don't miss out on this festive experience—purchase your tickets via the link below!

https://buytickets.at/friendsofcoupegreen/128 7565

### **Parent Pop-Ins**

Thank you to all the parents who popped-in to their child's classroom on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>
September to explore the classroom environment, speak to staff and look at some of the wonderful work which has already been produced. During this time, teachers also shared key information through their Meet The Teacher Presentations, such as information about weekly timetables, which will support your child's learning this year.

If you were unable to call in on Wednesday, these Meet The Teacher Presentations are now available to view on our school website. Please see below for the link. Thank you.

### Autumn Term Information on Our School Website

If you would like to learn more about what your child will be learning in school this half term, so that you can fully support them at home, please click on the links below, which should take you to the relevant updated pages on our school website.

Meet the Teacher Presentations

Medium Term Plans for Autumn 1

Reading Spines for Autumn 1

School Calendar

#### **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

This half term's extra-curricular clubs are now up and running.

On Monday, **all** pupils are able to take part in Dan's Monday **Lunchtime** Football Club.

Dan is also running two football clubs before school, from 8:00am – 8:45am. On Mondays, this is for Year 5 and 6 boys, while on Fridays this is a club for Year 2 and 3 boys and girls.

Years 3 and 4 have been invited to sign up for a Dance Club and we look forward to this starting after school today.

### **Musical Tuition**

Also, this week, our Rocksteady lessons have begun again on Tuesday mornings and our individual and small group musical instrument lessons, with visiting specialist teachers have commenced too. If your child is interested in joining these musical activities, please follow these links.

Rocksteady
Lancashire Music Service

# **Tapestry**

Pupils who are new to school, in Reception and Pre-School, should now have received an Activation email for Tapestry. Please check your emails and activate your account.