





15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

#### We Are Readers

This week, we have launched our 'We Are Readers' celebration boxes. These boxes are awarded to children who read widely at home and in school, demonstrate a positive attitude to reading and try their best during reading lessons. We all know how important reading is and the benefits it has on children's language, understanding, writing, imagination and wellbeing. Please help us to encourage the children to lose themselves in a good book and look out for our reading celebration boxes.

### **Parking**

This week, a meeting was held in school involving some of our neighbours, local councillors and police to discuss the concerns raised by neighbours and families regarding parking, which include parking across drives, blocking exits, and cars travelling at speed. The meeting was very positive and all who attended were impressed by the work school is doing to make the road safe for our children, such as placing signage in unsafe parking areas and our site supervisor 'Mr Nik', supporting children crossing the road. Barry Yates, our County Councillor, has supported school with resources to help ease some of the concerns which neighbours and yourselves have shared. Please continue to support us, in keeping the road safe for our children, by driving safely and parking appropriately.

## **Drop Off**

Please could we remind families that children should be accompanied by an adult when entering the school premises and until they have entered their classrooms safely, unless they are Year 6, who may walk to school independently. If there are occasions when you have an emergency and need to leave the premises before your child has entered their classroom, please inform the school office, so that we can help.

## **Open Day**

If you know someone with a child due to start Reception in September 2024, please let them know about our two open day sessions on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October from 9:30am – 11:00am and from 5:00pm – 6:30pm.

We politely request that people book their place at an open day session by emailing enquiries@coupegreen.lancs.sch.uk.

For the evening session, we ask that visitors arrive from 5:00pm to enjoy refreshments in the school hall. Mrs Littlewood will give a talk at 5:30pm, following which tours will commence at 5:40pm and the open evening will end at 6:30pm. Thank you.

### Lunchtime

Over the last two weeks, we have had a very busy game zone at lunch times. Last week, Mrs Diggle led parachute games, which the children found very exciting! This week, we have had badminton and table tennis in our game zone. It has been lovely to see the children so engaged and practising their sports skills.

#### Website

We have a new exciting website! We wanted to update our website to make it easier to navigate and find useful information. Please take a look and share feedback with us, on our new website's design and useability.

#### Uniform

Please can we remind all families that full school uniform should be worn at all times. Some children are still wearing school jumpers, cardigans or plain black zip ups for PE, which are not in line with our uniform policy. For PE, all children should have a branded Coupe Green hoodie, plain black shorts, leggings or joggers and either a Coupe Green branded t-shirt or plain white t-shirt. Please see our uniform policy for further details. If you require any support with uniform, please do not hesitate to contact school.

## **Parent Pop-Ins**

We look forward to welcoming you in to your child's classroom, from 3:30pm – 4:15pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, to explore the classroom environment, speak to staff and look at some of the wonderful work which your child has already produced. Teachers will share key information with you, such as information about weekly timetables, which will support your child's learning this year.

# Friends Of Coupe Green News

Please come and join us at The Oak on Monday 18th September. Firstly, we will be holding a short Annual General Meeting, which will start at 6:00pm. Following the meeting, we enjoy our annual social night to celebrate the amazing achievements of our PTA over the last twelve months. Please come and join us to get to know the team, meet new faces and have some fun. Whether you have children already at school, are a new parent, grandparent, teacher, friend or just a social butterfly who would like to know more about helping out, you are all very welcome!

#### **Classroom News**

Acorn Class have jumped straight into our theme of 'Incredible Me and Amazing Heroes'. The children have loved talking about themselves and creating self-portraits to hang in the classroom. We have also explored our likes and dislikes, making some wonderful clouds to hang. We look forward to sending Bumble Bear out each Friday to stay for the weekend with an Acorn Class star!

Oak Class pupils have been enjoying reading a story called 'Tidy' and have been busy making predictions about what will happen next. In our computing lessons, we have been using our school laptops and have already learned how to turn them on, log on and begin to type. As the seasons start to change, we are looking forward to going on a walk in our local area to look out for and spot signs of Autumn.

Elm children have been busy undertaking a range of challenges in order to become part of the Elm Class pirate crew. They've impressed the captain so much with how well they have followed our new code of conduct and kept our classroom shipshape. We've enjoyed learning all about what pirates are and the jobs they did! We have loved making pirate hats, jewellery, treasure maps and even pirate portraits! We are so excited to learn about famous explorers next week in History!

. Ash Class pupils have been writing a story called 'The Blue Umbrella' and are excited to learn more, as the story progresses. In our geography lessons, we have begun to learn about volcanoes and are really looking forward to making our own volcano erupt! This week, we made a splash at Bamber Bridge Leisure Centre, where we enjoyed the first of our weekly swimming lessons.

Maple Class have loved learning about Winston the dog, in our English unit, and have produced some amazing writing about this. Children have also enjoyed learning a range of passes in P.E., along with lots of gymnastics fun with a specialist coach. Maple Class are looking forward to finding out what happens to Winston the dog, in English, and they will create their own 'spin' of this in their independent writing.

In Elder, the children have been busy learning all about the Tudors and in particular, Henry VIII and his six wives. They are also loving our class novel, 'The Nowhere Emporium' and have produced lots of brilliant writing based on the opening few chapters of the book. We can't wait to find out what happens next to Daniel on his adventures with Lucien Silver!

# Applying for School Places – Sept 2024

School admissions for places in September 2024 are now open. It's quick, easy and secure to apply online at <a href="https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools">www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools</a> 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 2023 for secondary applicants 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024 for primary applicants

Diary Dates	
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm Friends Of Coupe Green Annual Social Night at The Oak
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	3:30 Parent Pop-Ins
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	3:15 Gymnastics Club (2 of 5)
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Open Day Sessions for Prospective Parents
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	3:15pm School Closes for Half Term
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	8:40am School Opens for Autumn 2