



# Newsletter

27<sup>th</sup> September 2024



## Visits and Visitors

We do enjoy enhancing our school curriculum with a wide variety of visits and visitors. Here are some of our recent and upcoming visits.

On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September, Elder Class welcomed members of Lancaster University into School. Pupils were presented with a Cyber Escape Challenge, which is described below by Olivia S.

'Last Tuesday, in Elder, we did a Cyber Escape Challenge with people from Lancaster University. We talked about different things, but we mainly talked about hacking. We used cases with locks on. We had to solve the clue to get in the next box. It was really hard and challenging but, in the end, we all finished on the last box.'

This week, On 24<sup>th</sup> September, Elm Class and Elder Class both enjoyed visits from local fire safety officers.

Elm Class learned all about fire safety in the home, including how to stay safe in the event of a fire and how to 'stop, drop and roll'. Our

Year two pupils also learned about how families should have a fire plan, in case of a fire at home, and the importance of having a working smoke alarm at home too.

Meanwhile, in Elder Class, the fire officers focussed on road safety. This included ensuring that we are visible, with bright, reflective clothing, as pedestrians or cyclists, and the importance of wearing a cycle helmet. Elder Class also thought carefully about what may distract us from keeping safe near roads, such as ensuring that we aren't looking at mobile phones when crossing or close to roads.

Next week, on Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> September, the whole school look forward to welcoming Rev'd Hannah Boyd in to school, as she kindly visits us to lead a special Harvest Assembly.

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

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October, our new Reception pupils will be ready with their brightest smiles and smartest uniforms, as we are visited by a photographer from The Lancashire Evening Post. We look forward to seeing a lovely group photo of our happy, new Reception Class, who have settled into school so well.

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, as part of their geography work, Maple Class look forward to visiting and exploring our local area. Please come prepared for our Autumn weather, boys and girls, bringing a warm coat, so that you are dressed and prepared for your class walk.

Looking further ahead, next half term, Elm Class will be visiting Judges' Lodgings Museum in Lancaster to take part in a Victorian Christmas to support their learning about The Victorians. Please can all Elm Class parents give their consent for this visit, using the link emailed out on Forms, and make their contribution towards the cost of the visit via the payment item on ParentPay. Thank you.

## Central Venue League Football

Well done to our school football team, who have now played two of their three evenings of matches in the Central Venue League at Withy Grove Park. The team have shown great teamwork and sportsmanship, battling well against both strong teams and challenging weather!

Thank you to both parents, who have provided transport, and staff who have given up their time after school.

## Lunchtime Welfare Assistant Job Vacancy

If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in joining our lunchtime team of welfare assistants, please contact Mrs Masterson, in the school office, before Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

The ideal candidate will be able to: supervise children in the playground or dinner hall, help make lunchtimes safe and happy, help children to organise playground games, engage with children in their play, communicate effectively with pupils and adults and follow the school behaviour policy by using positive behaviour management strategies.

## Our School Council

Next week, we are looking forward to electing our new school councillors for this academic year. During the week, pupils from Year 1 up to Year 6 will have the opportunity to make a presentation to their peers, such as a speech, poster or powerpoint outlining why they would be a good candidate for the role.

Pupils will then place their votes and one boy and one girl, with the majority vote, will be elected to represent each year group. We look forward to presenting our new team of school councillors with their badges during our Good News Assembly on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

## 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 9<sup>th</sup> October from 5:00pm – 6:00pm and the second will be an Open Morning from 9:30am – 11:00am on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025, please note that they are also very welcome to email us to book on to an open event session.



## Friends of Coupe Green News

### Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Please join us for our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> October, at 6:00pm in The Oak. Everyone is welcome! 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 are always on the lookout for extra hands to help plan upcoming events. Whether you have some spare time or simply want to join us for a social visit, we would love to see you there.

### Spooky and Sparkly Disco 30<sup>th</sup> October

Payment for the disco can now be made via Parentpay. The £1 donation for the non-uniform day which is the same day, is included in your disco ticket price of £3.50. Children who will be attending after-school club on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October do not need a ticket, but can bring in £1, if they wish, to wear non-uniform. Thank you.

### Twinkling Trails

Tickets for our Twinkling Trails event on 7<sup>th</sup> December are now running very low. There are just a handful of tickets left for each time slot.

Tickets for the Grotto, which will be at the event, are now SOLD OUT and cannot be purchased on the evening.

If you are still looking to purchase tickets for the light trail, please visit the link below!

<https://buytickets.at/friendsofcoupegreen/1287565>

For all event information and updates, please visit our FOCG Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/19DcxKAqzZ/?mibextid=K35XfP>

Thank you for your continued support!

## 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](http://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