



# Newsletter

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025



## Power of The Half Term

This half term, our school power is 'Honesty'. We have spoken about how honesty is not simply the absence of lies or dishonesty but it is about respect and being self-aware, taking responsibility for our actions and feelings. In assembly, we have talked about how little 'fibs' can grow and we can then feel tangled and trapped in them, but when we are honest we can feel free and happier. Please share any examples of honesty displayed at home, over this half term, so that we can celebrate them too!

## School Values

This term, we have launched our values certificates. You may notice children coming home with colour coded celebration certificates. The colours relate to our core values. Please encourage your children, at home, by talking about our core values, recognise them being displayed and celebrate them.

Honesty - Blue  
Love and Equality - Pink  
Respect - Green  
Kindness – Yellow

## Cricket Festival

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May, please can pupils in Oak, Elm, Ash, Maple and Elder Classes all come to school wearing their PE kit. These five classes will all have the opportunity to enjoy a session of cricket, hopefully outdoors, with a specialist coach from South Ribble Borough Council.

## Sports Day

We hope to host our annual sports day event on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Please save the date! As always, the day will depend on the fine British weather. Further details regarding times will be shared in the coming weeks.

## Diary Dates

Please view our diary dates here:

<https://coupegreen.co.uk/calendar>

## Class News

Acorn Class are enjoying their new theme of Down at the Bottom of the Garden. The children have been busy transforming their home corner into a minibeast den and making lots of insect crafts, such as painting caterpillars by printing with balloons! We have enjoyed beginning our new class text 'The Woolly Bear Caterpillar' and have also been exploring lots of repeating patterns in maths, using these to create snail shells. The children are looking forward to learning about different minibeasts and finding them outside.

In Oak Class, we have been learning all about the wonderful world of growing and planting. We have started a new science experiment and planted lots of different seeds around our classroom to see how they grow. We cannot wait to see whose seeds grow and think the seeds outside will grow the best! In our English lessons, we have been reading Jack and The Beanstalk. We have been describing our characters using wonderful adjectives and we have been using the word 'but' to extend our sentences too.

Elm Class have been learning all about farms in a quest to become mini farmers! We have loved reading the class novel "Mossop's Last Chance" by Michael Morpurgo and learning all about the important jobs which animals and farmers do on their farms. We are very much looking forward to writing our own version of this story by changing some of the characters, the problems they face and how they work together on the farm to resolve them! Watch this space.

Ash class have been enjoying their new topic 'Picasso' in Art. They have given their opinions on different pieces of artwork and have been practising their pencil skills. Ash pupils have also been investigating plant growth in our new Science topic and are looking forward to seeing which plants grow from the seeds which we have planted.

This half term, in Maple Class, we will be reading *The Wonder Brothers*, which is about Blackpool Tower and Las Vegas, which links to our Geography unit about North America. We have already loved having a go at coding in Computing. Over the next few weeks, we will be designing a flapjack product and we are very excited about getting to make this!

In Elder Class, we've had a very busy start to the term with our Year Six pupils focussing hard on preparing for their SATs, later on this half-term. Meanwhile, our Year Five pupils have also been busy, on their bikes, in their Bikeability sessions. We are looking forward to starting our new class novel, *Wonder* by R. J. Palacio, soon and getting outside in the sunshine for more rounders and orienteering fun in P.E. lessons.

### **Ash Class Visit**

As part of their Religious Education curriculum, this half term, Ash Class will be learning about Islam. On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May, to support this learning Ash Class will be visiting a mosque in Preston, Quwwat ul Islam. This is a fantastic opportunity for our children to gain an insight into a different religion and their special place of worship. This will also enable the children to apply their new learning from our class lessons into real life experiences.

### **Year 6 Borwick Hall Meeting**

A meeting to share plans for the Year 6 residential trip to Borwick Hall will be held in Elder Class on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 5:00pm. The meeting should last for approximately twenty minutes. PowerPoint slides and any handouts will be shared with parents who are unable to attend.

### **Life On Wheels**

This half term, pupils across various year groups in school are improving their skills, and safety knowledge, when travelling on wheels. Our Reception pupils have enjoyed their first session of Tots On Tyres and look forward to two further sessions. Meanwhile, on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, our Year Three pupils will have the opportunity to enjoy Scootsafe. Finally, our Year Five pupils have completed the first of two sessions of Bikeability and look forward to completing their Bikeability course on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May.



## **FOCG News**

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Spring Fair**

Our Spring Fair is only two weeks away!

Date: Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> May

Time: 2:30pm – 5:30pm

(Quieter opening for SEN: 2:00pm)

#### What's in store?

- Makers market with over 20 stalls selling local crafts and goods
- Fairground rides
- Donkey rides
- Delicious food stalls
- Ice Cream Van
- Licensed bar
- Inflatables
- Nerf Wars / Archery with the Scouts
- Football Skills with Dan from Kick On
- Raffle
- Games
- Walk Down Memory Lane

If you can volunteer to help out on the inflatables or game stalls, please contact the school office, or contact any member of FOCG. We would appreciate any help you can offer. Thank you.

### **Tesco Blue Token Scheme**

Thank you to everyone who voted for Friends of Coupe Green with your blue tokens in Tesco. We came in second place and have secured £1000 for road safety signs.

### **Paddle and Picnic at Rock and River**

This year's Paddle and Picnic takes place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June. This was such a brilliant event last year. All the children and adults had a fantastic time.

Booking links for the various Paddle and Picnic activities will follow soon, via email. You can choose the option to bring your own equipment, hire paddle boards, XL mega boards or sit-on kayaks. We will be on the water from 10:00am until 12:00pm, but please arrive at 9:30am to get all your kit sorted out and stay after for a picnic and showers. The cafe will also be open. Places went fast last year, so please don't leave it too late to book.

### **Rainbow Ramble**

Rainbow Hub is hosting a Rainbow Ramble on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May, starting at 10:00am, from Bishop Rawstorne High School, Croston. For further information and to register to ramble, please visit:

<https://www.rainbowhub.org/event/rainbowramble/>