



# Newsletter

30<sup>th</sup> January 2026



## Thank You Mrs Bateson

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February, we will be saying 'Thank you and Farewell' to Mrs Bateson, who has been teaching at Coupe Green since March 2025, firstly with Acorn Class and then, since September, with Oak Class. We are sure that pupils, parents and staff will all join with us in thanking Mrs Bateson for all her hard work and kindness over the last eleven months. Oak Class pupils are welcome to wear party clothes to school to celebrate Mrs Bateson's last day, on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February, and can bring an additional snack as a treat!

On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February, we then look forward to welcoming Miss McConkey back, from her maternity leave, to teach Oak Class on Mondays, Tuesday and Wednesdays.

## Acorn Class

### Theme Day and Stay and Play

This half term, Acorn Class have been learning all about dinosaurs. Pupils have learned the difference between past and present, what dinosaurs are and their diet.

To conclude this exciting topic, Acorn Class will have a special Dinosaur Theme Day on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February, when Acorn pupils are invited to dress up as dinosaur hunters ready to explore the activities of the day!

Parents are then invited to join in the dinosaur themed fun at a special Stay and Play session at 2:30pm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup>

February. Please can Acorn parents complete the form sent out by email and text to let us know if a grown-up will be attending this fun session.

## School Council News

On Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January, our new school council members had their first meeting with Mrs Barry to share their fabulous ideas. They had suggestions for new after school clubs, would like to raise money to improve our school football equipment and also began gathering ideas for Easter celebrations. Watch this space....!

## Crucial Crew Visit

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January, Years 5 and 6 went on a coach to The Masonic Hall in Preston to learn about different youth services in Lancashire, such as Nest Lancashire, Lancashire Police and Vault Youth Zone. My favourite part was playing games with the staff from The Youth Vault Zone, which is a new youth club, in Preston, near the bus station, that we can hopefully visit soon.

by Charlotte P

## Wear What You Love Day

Wear What You Love Day will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February. Pupils are invited to wear what they love to school for a £1 donation. For an extra £1, they may also include a colourful or funky hairstyle or headwear. Please look out for an upcoming payment item, on ParentPay, to make your donations.

Thank you.

## FOCG Easter Disco

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March, Friends of Coupe Green will be hosting an Easter Disco, where a special guest, Taz, will entertain us all with comedy, magic, games and dancing.

For Preschool and Infant Pupils in Acorn, Oak and Elm Classes, the disco will run from 3:15pm - 4:30pm. Preschool pupils who do not attend preschool on Wednesday afternoons are very welcome to arrive at school at 3:15pm to join in with the Easter Disco fun! For Junior Pupils in Ash, Maple and Elder Classes, the disco will run from 4:30pm - 5:45pm.

Tickets are now available to purchase, via ParentPay. For the majority of pupils, tickets are just £4.50 per pupil, please, with food and drink included in the ticket price. If your child regularly attends Wednesday evening After School Club, your ticket price is £3.50 per pupil, please.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help at the disco, please email

[friendsofcoupegreen@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcoupegreen@gmail.com) or contact the school office. Thank you.

## **Sports News**

### **Sports Hall Athletics**

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February, twelve of our Year 5 and 6 pupils will be representing school, taking part in Sports Hall Athletics, at Hutton Grammar School, where they will take part in various activities, such as vertical jump, javelin, long jump, sprinting and speed bounce. Good luck boys and girls! We hope you really enjoy your afternoon and the variety of different events.

### **Tennis Competition**

Good luck also to four Year 3 and 4 pupils, Darcie, Rosie, Rex and Noah, who will be representing school at a tennis competition at South Ribble Tennis Centre, on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February. We are sure you will represent our school well, with good sportsmanship, and we hope you have a fantastic morning.

### **Inclusion Festival**

The inclusion festival was amazing! It was coached by Andy from South Ribble. We did games, such as bocchia, golf and football for blind people. The reason it was so amazing is because everyone had fun and listened to the coach.

The game bocchia is where you roll or throw a ball to try and get it close to the white ball.

Football for blind people is where the goalkeeper has a blindfold on and tries to save the shot, by listening to the ball, which has a bell in it.

by George P

### **Dance Lessons and Dance Club**

This half term, a coach from South Ribble Active Health Team has been visiting school to teach dance to Oak and Ash Classes and then lead an after school dance club. Here are the thoughts of some of our dancers.

First, we do a little warm up. Then we do a little game and learn a dance. The teacher is called Beth. She is really nice.

by Poppy E

We learn lots of routines and stretches. We like the partner dances. We also love our teacher, Beth. We are all very thankful she's here.

by Erin C and Grace N



## **Dance From The Heart**

During our Dance from The Heart training afternoon, we learned many different dances, which were all really fun. When we were dancing, we swapped lines so everyone had a turn at the front. Many schools went and the South Ribble instructors were really good at helping and explaining the moves to these amazing dances. We will enjoy teaching the moves to the rest of the school.

by Claudia P and Hannah R

### **Book Club**

Book Club is an outstanding, phenomenal club run by Mrs Dowbekin! The book, which we are currently reading, is based on crime and mystery. It is called 'Agatha Oddly'. The club runs on a Tuesday, from 3:15pm – 4:15pm, after school. We are offered two biscuits to choose from and an option of juice or water. We really enjoy this club. It is one of the best clubs ever!

By Laila G, Molly L and Poppy C

### **Medicines**

Please can we remind everyone that, in school, we are only able to administer medicines which have been specifically prescribed for your child and are given to us in a bottle or packet with a label from a pharmacist. If you would like us to administer any prescribed medication, please ensure that the medicine is handed in at the school office and consent forms are completed and signed.

If your child needs any other ad-hoc medication, such as Calpol, please make arrangements to visit school, during the school day, to administer the medicine yourself.

Thank you.

### **Golden Merit Assembly**

We look forward to celebrating our next Golden Merit Assembly at 9:00am on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February. Please note that school closes for half term at 3:15pm on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February and reopens at 8:45am on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Breakfast Club and After School Club will continue to operate, as normal, on these days.

### **Preschool Applications**

We are now accepting applications for preschool places for September 2026. If you or anyone you know, has a child who will be three years old at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026, and would like a preschool place with us, please ask them to either collect an application form from the school office or email

[enquiries@coupegreen.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@coupegreen.lancs.sch.uk).