



Coupe Green
Primary School

H O G G I N G T O N

Friday 18th October 2024

Dear Families,

Our first half term of this academic year has ended and I have been made to feel so very proud of the children's hard work and the confidence they have shown, as they have settled into school and new classes. This half term has been very busy and we have continued to focus, not only, on developing our children as learners, but have also created more opportunities for them to become leaders.

At the end of the last academic year, I spoke with the children about our behaviour policy and they shared their views, what was working well and what could be even better. As a result of this discussion, we decided to introduce Golden Tickets at the end of each half term. Golden Tickets are awarded to children who have demonstrated our school values consistently and are awarded by the children. We believe that giving children the responsibility of choosing the winners enables them to reflect on behaviour and supports children's understanding of what 'Good to be Green' looks like. Today we hosted our first Golden Table lunch and the children were thrilled with it.

School Council

Our school council have also been busy considering how they can improve things, in school, for their friends. This half term we focused on Golden Time and how we could make it even more fun. Our councillors planned more activities, creating stations around school that children can attend to support all interests.

This week Golden Time zones consisted of:

- Outdoor play – parachute games, free play and fitness activities
- Crafts and Lego in the hall
- 'Just Dance' zone

Next half term, our school councillors will review the impact of the changes made to Golden Time and begin to plan fundraisers to support the big plans that they have for the end of the school year.

Librarians

With the help of Mrs Park, two Year 6 children have been fully trained as our school librarians. The children have taken on the role with great enthusiasm and a sense of responsibility. They have supported children across school to access the library at lunchtimes and have even created a librarian swap shop in the school entrance – please feel free to take a book and return it when you have finished with it. Our super librarians have now started to train other members of Year 6 to help them – great work!

Homework

It has been so pleasing to see how hard children have worked at home this half term. The changes to our homework format have been approached positively and teachers have commented on how the frequent practise of arithmetic and spelling has impacted learning in class. I have been blown away by the efforts in project homework and the work completed has truly brightened classrooms and brought the curriculum learning areas to life. Thank you for supporting your child/ren to produce such a high standard of work and supporting our school curriculum.

Visitor and Trips

Already this year, classes have utilised our local area and special speakers to enhance the children's learning experiences. We have had visits from Fire Fighters, Guide Dogs in training and STEM Cyber Escape Challenge. Two classes have also been on local walks to support their geographical knowledge, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

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Friends of Coupe Green

Next half term, we enter the festive period, which is often the busiest but also the most magical time in school. Friends of Coupe Green (FOCG) have again been working tirelessly to plan and create events which will not only raise money to support school but also give our children magical memories. We look forwards to both the Spooky & Sparkly Disco and the Twinkling Trail.

Please can I remind all families that fancy-dress outfits for Wednesday 30th October should be appropriate for school. Those choosing to be spooky, should ensure that their costumes do not involve masks, blood or any characters from films or stories above PG rating.

Christmas Events

In the final weeks of next half term, we will host Acorn, Oak and Elm Nativities, which never fail to bring a tear to your eye and smile to your face. We will also host our annual talent show, Coupe Green's Got Talent, which I know many of our children are excited about and have already begun to plan their acts. This is always a real treat and I can't wait to see what wonderful talents will be shared this year. All dates for the events can be found on the school website under 'Calendar'.

Your child will bring home a grass head planter this afternoon as a gift from G Plant Company, courtesy of Mrs Jackson. It would be wonderful to see photographs from families who have successfully grown their 'Grass Heads' when we return to school after half term. Please send any photographs to enquiries@coupegreen.lancs.sch.uk.

I hope that you all have a wonderful half term and look forward to welcoming you all back into school on Monday 28th October.

Yours sincerely,

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Learning together, Supporting each other

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