

DUKE STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

13TH SEPTEMBER 2024



Head Lines

Welcome back everyone. We hope you have all had a good summer break and are looking forward to the academic year ahead.

We have launched the new academic year with a continued focus on Behaviour for Learning. We have new explicit whole school routines and expectations which focus on behaviour for learning in classrooms and the wider school environment. Children have spent the first two weeks of term practicing new routines such as wonderful walking and SLANTing. Class teachers will be explaining more about this during the KS1 and KS2 meeting the teacher sessions which are taking place this coming Wednesday (see below).

Our new reception children have settled into school really well. Their Year 6 buddies have been fabulous role models helping them settle into dinnertime routines and spending time with them in the playground. Miss Zawistowicz and Mrs Ainsworth would like to say a huge thank you to them.

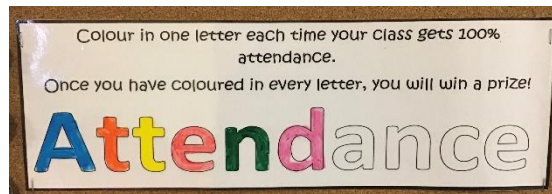
The school photographer will be in school next Thursday for family and individual photographs. There is information below regarding families with pre-school aged children.

READING PERCENTAGES

ACER: 82%
SPRUCE: 68%
REDWOOD: 33%
MAPLE 55%
BEECH: 88%
ROWAN: 30%
POPLAR: 81%
SYCAMORE 68%
CHESTNUT: 25%

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

ACORN: 93.2%
ROSE: 98.6%
TULIP: 99.3%
ACER: 96.1%
REDWOOD: 100%
SPRUCE: 98.4%
MAPLE: 96.0%
BEECH: 95.4%
ROWAN: 97.3%
POPLAR: 98.3%
SYCAMORE: 98.9%
CHESTNUT: 93.0%
OVERALL: 96.6
School Target: 96%



Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you for all your help in getting your children into school on time every day. Our new signing in sheets are in place for any children arriving late. They must be completed by an adult to the office.

A reminder to reception parents that the school day starts at 8:45am for this year group. The gates open at 8:40am to allow you 5 minutes to get your children to class. The reception gate will be locked after this time.

All classes have been busy collecting their 'ATTENDANCE' display letters for having 100% attendance. It's looking like we may have some classes with a full set in the next few days, receiving their first class treat.

We would love to see every class rolling the Classopoly dice next week!

Class Attendance

96%+ =



MEET THE TEACHER (Yrs 1 to 6)

We will be holding our annual meet the teacher sessions on Wednesday 18th September for all classes
EXCEPT ROSE, TULIP AND ACORN

KS1 classes (Acer, Spruce and Redwood) will meet in classrooms at 4pm.

All KS2 classes will meet in classrooms at 4.30pm

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) information

For parents/carers of children with SEND or concerned regarding a possible need you can access all relevant information on the following link on our school website; <https://dukestreet-pri.lancs.sch.uk/about-us/sen/send-policy>

You can also contact the school office if you wish to make contact with Mr Reay (SENDCo) and an appointment can be made at a convenient time. Additionally the Local Authority have lots of useful information on the following links;

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/>

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/getting-help/send-newsletter/>

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities/things-to-do/break-time/>

Outreach Information

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>

Please follow the link to apply for your child's High School place.
This needs to be completed before 31st October

Chorley High School Open Evenings:

Albany 26th September 5-8pm Book online or just turn up

Holy Cross 10th October 4.30pm-7pm

Parklands 2nd October 5.15pm-8pm

Southlands 3rd October 4pm-7pm



General Reminders

School Times



Reception Children: 8.45 am to 3.05 pm
Yr1 to Yr 6 Children: 8.55 am to 3.15 pm.

Please ensure your child is on time so that they do not miss Early Bird Maths and incur a late mark.

Absence Reporting

To report your child's absence please ring school (239950) and select Option 1 to leave a message, clearly stating your child's name, class and reason for absence. Do not select Option 1 to speak to the Office staff as the mornings are very busy. The absence needs to be done on every morning of the absence unless it is a contagious condition, such as Chicken Pox when we are aware the child needs to be off for a certain period of time. A reminder that if children have Sickness and/or Diarrhoea, they must stay off school for 48 hours from the LAST symptom.

Contacting the Outreach Team

If you wish to speak to Emma or Rachel, please ring 239950, option 3.

Dogs in School



Dogs including puppies either on a lead or being carried are not allowed on the school premises including the playground and inside the fencing.

Mobile Phones



We have noticed an increased number of expensive mobile phones being brought into school, mainly by Year 6 pupils. If it is essential for your child to bring in a phone you will need to send a note on the first day of every half term, or on the first day of bringing it during the term, so that we know that you know your child has a phone with them. Your child must switch their phone off and take it to Mrs Nicholls in the School Office on arrival at school.

Parking



We would really appreciate your co-operation to make arriving at school and leaving at the end of the day, as safe as possible. We are a large school, in a very built-up area, so we know that parking is a challenge. We ask for drivers to be considerate towards pedestrians. The double yellow lines and zig-zag lines are there to protect pedestrians. Parking in these parts of the road endangers the lives of children and adults alike. Parking slightly further away from school, towards the Pall Mall end of Duke Street, or indeed into Brindle Street, will help to keep our children safe and also help you to get more fitness steps in. Thank you in anticipation of your support in this matter.

X (Formally Twitter)

Follow us at @DukeStPrimary to see updates on what the children are doing in school



Smoking/Vaping Please do not smoke or vape on the school premises.



Award Winners

CLASS	MATHS	ENGLISH	ICARE
Acorn	Olivia	Elizabeth	Noah
Acer	Nina	Cleo	Aihan
Spruce	Emily	Frankie	Callum
Redwood	Emily	Mia	Sophia
Maple	Jake	Olivia P	Olivia O
Beech	Riley	Parker	Harry
Rowan	Jackson	Dominic	Luca
Poplar	Oliver	Nicole	Layla S
Sycamore	Sophia	Matthew	William
Chestnut	David	Charlie	Grace

KS1 Numbots Highest Coin Earners



1st: Harrison W from Redwood

2nd: Lucas B from Spruce

3rd: Harry W from Acer

KS2 T.T.R.S. Highest Coin Earners



1st: Yasin from Chestnut

2nd: Ali from Chestnut

3rd: Matthew from Sycamore

CLASS	OVERALL ACTIVE MINUTES
Spruce	91
Acer	130
Redwood	50
Maple	74
Beech	106
Rowan	110
Poplar	113
Sycamore	85
Chestnut	77

Asda Cash Pot Total

£228.01



Class Dojo / House Points:

We are very excited to introduce our new house team banners!

We're having a big focus on team points this year and it has been lovely to see so many children receiving points in classrooms and around school.



Teachers will reward individual children with Dojo points for excellent behaviour choices such as 'wonderful walking, super sitting, reading at home, demonstrating our ICARE values and 100% attendance etc and these will then be converted to house points each week. Teachers will keep weekly logs so the winning team can be announced during Good News Assembly on a Friday...look out for photos on our school X (Twitter) page!

The children have responded very well to Dojo points and each child has their own Avatar and can see how many points they have.

We'll be having half termly celebrations for the winning team so please encourage your child to get as many Dojos (points) as they can!



More information will follow during Meet the Teacher night.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 18th September: Meet the Teacher: KS1 4.00 pm, KS2 4.30 pm.

Thursday 19th September: Individual and Family Photographs (pre school children can be brought to the hall at 8.30 am)

Monday 30th September: School Council visit to the Houses of Parliament

Wednesday 2nd October: SEND Coffee Morning

Wednesday 9th October: Harvest Assembly, 9.10 am – Parents welcome

Monday 14th October: My Happy Mind Parent Workshop, 8.55 am

Friday 18th October: Enrichment Day – Be Bothered

Wednesday 6th November: Parents Consultations, 2pm to 6pm

Monday 9th December: Breakfast with Santa

Monday 9th December: Y3 Christmas Bingo, 2.15 pm

Tuesday 10th December: Y4 Christmas Crafts, 2.15 pm

Wednesday 11th December: Yr 5 Christmas Decorations, 2.15 pm

Thursday 12th December: Christmas Dinner

Friday 13th December: Enrichment Day

