

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Friday 10th October 2025



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incorporating
Beechbuds Pre-School



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BEHAVIOUR CURRICULUM

Be Respectful • Be Responsible • Be Safe

CONTRIBUTING

Children know that we expect everyone to contribute in class and this means:

- Listening to the class teacher or whoever has been invited to speak
- Considering responses before sharing
 - Waiting to be invited to speak
- Sharing answers/contributions in a clear voice using full sentences
- Challenging contributions with kindness
 - Building on what others have said

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

We're delighted to share the news that Mrs Davies, our wonderful Year 4 teacher and SENDCO is expecting a baby in March! Congratulations to her and her husband on this exciting news!



WEEKLY UPDATE

Another week has literally flown by! Thank you for continuing to encourage your children to read as often as possible throughout the week, it really makes a difference. The excitement around 'Reader of the Week' is lovely to see during our Celebration Assembly.

It has been great to see the influx of support for FEPS, the work everyone is putting in makes such a huge impact across school. I know I speak for the whole community when I say thank you for your time and effort.

Keep an eye on Twitter/X, as teachers will be posting highlights of the wonderful learning experiences that your children are involved in.

Have a superb weekend everyone.

Mr Craig Todd



Beechbuds – Eleanor R Year 3 – Charlotte G

Reception – Austin R Year 4 – Ayla WB

Year 1 – Oliver W

Year 5 – Zak E

Year 2 – Harley H

Year 6 – Isla E



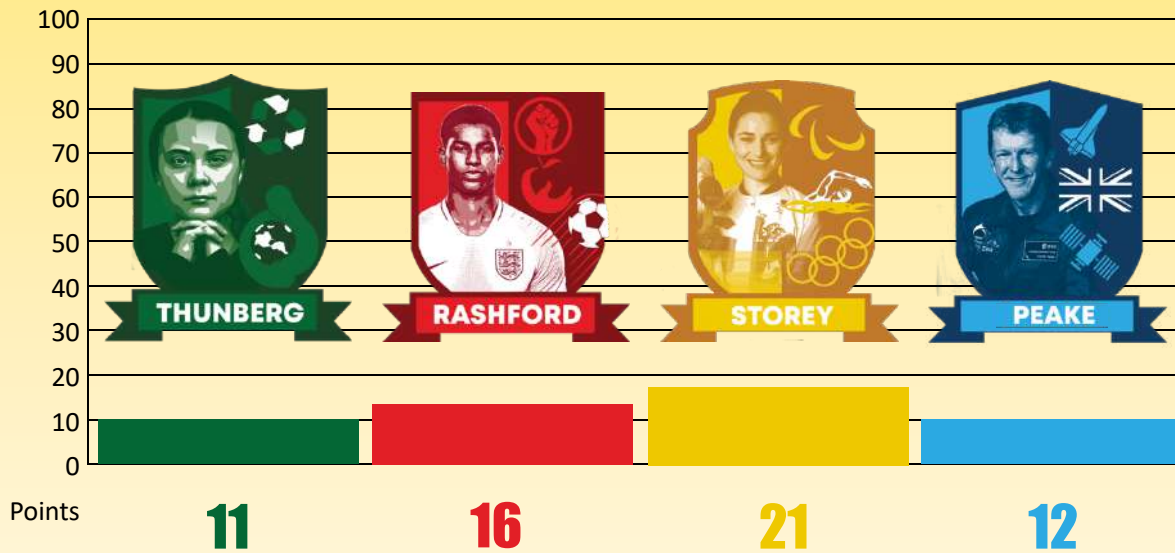
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HOUSE POINTS

House to reach 100 points will receive a special treat!



HALLOWEEN DISCO

Wednesday
22ND
OCTOBER

MUSIC. GAMES. BEST COSTUME CONTEST. PRIZES

Yr 1-3 5-8pm
£4 per ticket
(includes unlimited juice, crisps and sweets to take home)

Yr 4-6 6:15-7:15pm
£3.50 per ticket
(tuck shop open - please bring change)

THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER

BEECHBUDS & RECEPTION

THE BIGGEST IN SCHOOL HALLOWEEN PARTY IN TOWN

Come to school in your fancy dress costume and enjoy a spooky day at school

GAMES & SURPRISES - PRIZES FOR BEST COSTUME

No ticket cost - we would just appreciate a bottle donation for our Christmas Fair



SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

WEEK 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Homemade Pizza served with Potato Wedges	Homemade Meat and Potato Pie	Chicken Korma served on a bed of Rice with a Naan Bread	Roast Turkey served with a Yorkshire Pudding and Roasties	Battered Cod Fillet served with Potato Wedges
MAIN DISH 2	Tomato and Basil Pasta served with Garlic Bread	All Day Breakfast wrap	Ham and Cheese Swirls	Fish Finger Barm served with Diced Potatoes	Jumbo Sausage Crunchy Chicken burger
ACCOMPANIMENTS 	Sweetcorn Baked beans Salad bar	Baton Carrots Green Beans Salad bar	Sweetcorn Baked Beans Salad bar	Baton Carrots Broccoli Salad bar	Fries Gravy Baked beans Salad bar
DESSERTS	Homemade Sponge Cake of the week with Custard	Homemade Cookies	Oaty Jam Squares	Shortbread Fingers	Fresh fruit Friday
FRESH FRUIT OR YOGHURT	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh fruit or Yoghurt
JACKET POTATO AND SANDWICH SELECTION	Jacket Potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket Potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Sandwich selection



MENU

Fuel your afternoon with a healthy school lunch from Mellors



KEY  - 1 OF YOUR 5 A DAY



 - MEAT-FREE MONDAY



 - CHEF'S CHOICE



 - PLANT-BASED (VEGAN)



Allergens and Intolerances All of our food is lovingly hand crafted and prepared on site daily. We have an allergen procedure in place, so please ensure you make our catering team aware of your allergens/your child's allergens prior to using the restaurant. Our kitchens are used for multi-purpose production so we cannot guarantee the above dishes are completely free from allergenic ingredients or traces of these.

YEAR 6 STUDENT REUBEN SWIMS FOR GREAT ORMOND STREET!

One of our Year 6 pupils, Reuben, is taking on an incredible 16km swim to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital, which supports seriously ill children across the UK.

Reuben is passionate about swimming and wants to make a difference by doubling the original 8km challenge. All funds raised will go toward giving children with serious illnesses the best chance at a happy, healthy childhood.

Any donations are greatly appreciated – please hand them into the school office.

Let's support Reuben as he swims for such a fantastic cause!



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The National average for attendance is 96%

Our school attendance target is 97%.

whole school 96.94%

Class	This week
Reception	95.24%
Year 1	96.06%
Year 2	98.15%
Year 3	96.58%
Year 4	97.85%
Year 5	98.92%
Year 6	95.56%

Well done **Year 5** for excellent attendance this week! Chip is looking forward to accompanying you in classes next week.



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READERS OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children that won Reader of the Week today! Please can we remind everyone to take great care of their home reading books so they remain in good condition. Please return your reading bag with reading pal and book by next Thursday. Thank you.



Please don't forget to send your pictures and comments to wearereaders@eccleston.lancs.sch.uk

🍊 SAVE THE DATE 🍊

Halloween Disco – Wednesday 22nd October

Years 1–3: 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Years 4–6: 6:15pm – 7:15pm

Halloween Dress-Up – Thursday 23rd October

Reception & Beechbuds: Children can come to school in fancy dress

Upcoming Events

🧱 **The Big Build – Saturday 15th November**

🎄 **Christmas Fair – Wednesday 3rd December**

🐣 **Easter Bingo – Friday 20th March**

☀️ **Summer Fair – Friday 12th June**



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If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

CLOSING DATE
15 January 2026

lancashire.gov.uk >>>>

School transport 

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We raised £357.10



*Thank you for
your support!*

*Everyone
welcome!*



THE BIG BUILD

COMMUNITY BUILD DAY

SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER - FROM 9:00AM

Join us for a community event to help
beautify and tidy up our school grounds.



Tasks will include:

- Painting fences and sheds
- Repairing/replacing the Learning Lodge roof and floor
- Spreading woodchip in the Dell and removing old wooden borders
- Removing damaged or worn-out equipment
- Jet washing outdoor areas
- Gardening, weeding and planting

BACON/SAUSAGE BUTTIES AND BREWS PROVIDED

All children must be supervised by a parent/carer

CHORLEY
SCHOOL SPORTS PARTNERSHIP

PRESENTS
CREATIVE CAMP

28TH - 30TH OCTOBER
£22 A DAY OR £60 ALL THREE DAYS

BOOK ONLINE AT:
www.chorleyssp.co.uk

CHORLEY ST PETER'S
C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL
Eaves Lane PR6 0DX

j.milner@chorleyssp.co.uk
01257 824798

FREE HAF PLACES FOR ELIGIBLE FAMILIES

Ages 5-11
9:30AM - 3:00PM

**OCTOBER
LEARN
TO RIDE**

MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER 10:00AM - 11:30AM
MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER 12:30PM - 2:00PM

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ONLY ONE BOOKABLE SESSION REQUIRED
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£25 A SESSION

Ages 4-12

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SOUTHLANDS COMMUNITY SPORTS

DODGEBALL FOOTBALL ROUNDEERS NETBALL PICKLEBALL AND MORE

WHERE EVERYONE CAN PLAY

Monday 27th October Friday 31st October 2025

Ages 8-14 **Place** Southlands High School, Clover Road PR7 2NJ

SIGN UP

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SPORTS CAMP & CHEER CAMP

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£85 for the full week
includes snack and drink each day

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10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators DEALING WITH TRAUMATIC & CHALLENGING EVENTS

Children and young people may face a wide range of traumatic or challenging events - from bereavement and illness to bullying, family breakdown, or witnessing violence. These experiences can affect their mental health, behaviour, relationships, and academic progress. With the right support from trusted adults, children can begin to feel safe, rebuild resilience, and develop healthy coping strategies. This guide offers practical and empathetic ways to provide support and promote positive outcomes.

- 1 A PREDICTABLE ENVIRONMENT**
Children who have experienced trauma often feel unsafe or uncertain. Creating routines, setting clear expectations, and maintaining consistency can help restore a sense of security. This can be achieved by maintaining a predictable and safe environment that helps children feel more in control of their surroundings.
- 2 USE LANGUAGE THAT MATCHES THEIR AGE**
Speak clearly and sensitively, choosing words that are appropriate for the child's age. Avoid using scary or violent words, even if they are common in your area. Other adults, such as teachers or healthcare professionals, should also use age-appropriate language when talking to children about difficult or sensitive subjects.
- 3 TRAUMA AND THE BODY**
Mention briefly that trauma can show up in physical ways, such as changes in sleep, appetite, concentration, or physical aches and pains. Children feel better talking about their feelings and experiences, and it's important to let them know when they're feeling 'off' or 'tired' that it's okay to take a break and rest. Encourage them to talk about their feelings and experiences, and let them know that it's okay to take a break and rest.
- 4 AVOID RETELLING OR RELIVING TRAUMA**
Children sometimes get asked to retell or repeat their experiences over and over again. This can be a traumatic experience for them, and it's important to let them know when they're feeling 'off' or 'tired' that it's okay to take a break and rest. Encourage them to talk about their feelings and experiences, and let them know that it's okay to take a break and rest.
- 5 AVOID DISMISSING OR MINIMISING FEELINGS**
Saying things like 'it's not that bad' or 'you're overreacting' can make children feel like their feelings are not valid. Instead, listen to what they're saying and validate their feelings. Let them know that it's okay to feel the way they're feeling, and that you're there to support them.
- 6 UNDERSTAND HOW THEY'RE FEELING**
Many children don't have the words to express their emotions, especially during stress. It's important to listen to what they're saying and validate their feelings. Let them know that it's okay to feel the way they're feeling, and that you're there to support them.
- 7 BE AWARE OF YOUR OWN RESPONSES**
Children pick up on adult emotions and reactions, so it's important to be aware of your own responses. If you're feeling stressed or overwhelmed, it's important to take a break and calm down before talking to the child. This will help them feel more secure and safe.
- 8 SEEK PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT**
While many children benefit from peer support, some may need more professional help. If you're concerned about your child's mental health, it's important to seek professional support. Early intervention can help prevent long-term difficulties and support healthy recovery.
- 9 MAINTAIN CONNECTION**
Trauma can affect the ability to connect with others. Encourage children to spend time with friends and family, and let them know that it's okay to ask for help. Maintaining a connection with trusted adults and peers can help them feel more secure and safe.
- 10 BE PATIENT - HEALING TAKES TIME**
There's no quick fix for emotional recovery. Children may have good days and bad days, and progress may be slow. It's important to be patient and let them know that it's okay to take a break and rest. Encourage them to talk about their feelings and experiences, and let them know that it's okay to take a break and rest.

Meet Our Expert
This guide has been written by Anna Bostman, a professional with experience in working with children, young people, and families. She has been a member of the advisory group for the Department for Education, helping them to set their mental health strategy.

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