



# Newsletter



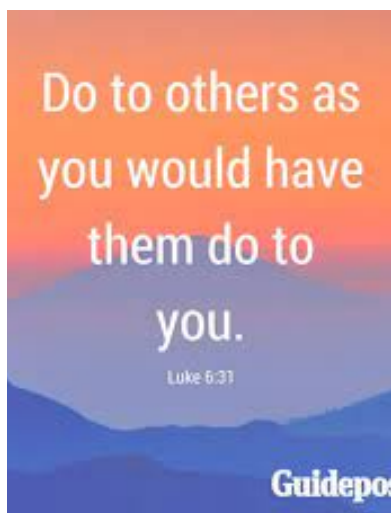
## Highlights

- The pupils have settled into their classes and made a great start. As well as our new Reception pupils, we are delighted to welcome 12 new pupils through school plus 2 more who start on Monday!
- Election of the new School Council: Trent and Lucy in Maple Class, Autumn and Ralph in Willow Class and Ryan and Rory in Oak Class. Along with the head Boy and Girl Team, I am sure they will work well as a team to improve aspects of school life this year.
- The pupils are very impressed with the work we have had done over the holidays: a new group teaching room; updated KS2 bathrooms and another beautiful mural!

## Collection

Please can parents (apart from Ash Class parents) wait on the KS2 playground when collecting children. The teachers will only release pupils to parents who they can see on the playground, in line with our safeguarding arrangements.

Please note, if you have a dog with you, you must wait on the public footpath behind the playground and not on the drive. Dogs are not permitted on the school site.



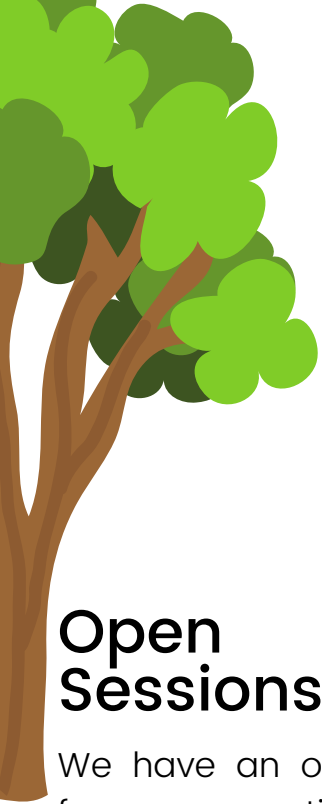
## Year 6 Lockerbie Trip

The visit to Lockerbie is from Monday 17th-Wednesday 19th October. There will be a parents' meeting in school on Monday 26th September at 6pm. This will be to give you information on what your child needs to take, arrangements for travel and to complete medical forms.



Our Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl





## Open Sessions

We have an open school session for prospective parents on Saturday 8th October from 10am-12pm.

Last year this was a very successful event and was very well attended.

To show school off to its best, we need some children (of all ages) to come and take part in some fun activities such as a forest session, science experiments, art or DT activities etc.

If we could have your child from 9:45am to 12pm, please could you get in touch with Mrs Adams? There will be a small reward for any child who comes along!

## Music lessons

In school we can offer peripatetic music tuition in keyboard, woodwind and brass instruments and violin. We currently have 1 space for keyboard/woodwind. If your child is interested in learning an instrument, please get in touch. The cost is £35 per half-term.

## St Aidan's vacancies

St Aidan's have a few vacancies available; a cleaner, Attendance Officer, TA3 / Cover Supervisor. The link is for more information; <https://www.st-aidans.lancs.sch.uk/about/vacancies/>

## Uniform Swap Shop

To keep clothing out of landfill and to ease purse strings, we have opened a uniform swap shop in the school porch. The idea is for people to pick up uniform you may need and drop off those that you have outgrown. Please feel free to have a look and join in saving the planet and some pennies at the same time! We just ask for a donation to school where possible.



## Puberty/Sex education Talks

On Thursday 22nd September, Karen from Coram Life Education will be coming into school to deliver puberty talks to Year 4 and 5 girls and Year 5 boys. Year 6 will also have a workshop on conception, pregnancy and birth. There will be a letter coming home with Year 6 to get parental permission for them to take part. There will be a parents' session from 8:55-9:10am if anyone is interested in the content or would like more information.



# Holiday Requests

The guidance for parents taking pupils out of school in term-time has changed. Parents can now be fined by the local authority from day one instead of day 5. It is not recommended that pupils miss school for holidays, however I recognize that there are exceptional circumstances and holidays can also be educational for pupils.

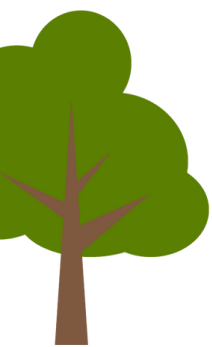
If you must consider taking a holiday in term-time, you will need to complete a holiday form which is available from the office. Whether permission is granted for the holiday will depend on the child's current attendance (which must be over 95%) and if any other applications have previously been made. Each case will be looked at individually and a decision made. Where a holiday is not granted permission, the absence will be recorded as unauthorized.

Any holiday requests which clash with assessment periods in school will not be granted. Next year Year 6 SATS will be from Monday 9th May until Thursday 12th May. Year 2 SATS are usually the week after and the Year 1 phonics screening takes place in early June. We also have full school assessment weeks each term so please check with us.



## Lunches

Please complete the lunch form for ALL pupils in school  
<https://forms.office.com/r/exTQMJtNLL>



## ParentPay

You should have received log in details for ParentPay this week. All Reception parents will need to 'add child' to their account and input the details from the letter. If you have any problems please contact Mrs Adams in the office. All Breakfast and After School bookings are to be made through ParentPay, and bookings will close 48 hours before the event so that we can ensure we have enough staff for the sessions. We can, of course, accommodate last minute bookings if you call the office.

Please add credit to your account rather than pay retrospectively.

## Lost property

To reduce the amount of lost property in school, please ensure all items are named. We have teamed up with <https://www.mynametags.com/> for some fundraising. Use the code **62551** to link to our school.

Also, a reminder that pupils should not be bringing school bags, pencil cases or extra water bottles in to school. Only those on packed lunches need bring a bottle as all pupils have a water bottle in class. Toys and trinkets should stay at home too, it just increases the risk of items getting lost.

## Earrings

Please can children wear plain studs in school - we ask that studs are solid rather than sparkley. Also, pupils should not wear earrings on PE days, for swimming or for dance. No other jewellery is allowed to be worn in school.



The below timetable shows which days your child(ren) have PE and/or forest school. On PE days we ask that pupils come in their PE kit, details of which can be found on the uniform page of our website.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Ash	PE		Dance (if applicable)		Forest
Oak				PE	PE
Willow		PE	PE or swimming		
Maple	PE		PE or swimming		
Elm		PE	Forest		

## Clubs

We have some extra-curricular clubs starting next week. Please see the details below.

Please email Mr Wells for choir - [m.wells@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:m.wells@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk)

Mrs Simpson for sports - [vridding@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:vridding@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk)

Mrs Crompton for Forest - [j.crompton@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:j.crompton@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk)



**Football Club**

Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

Mondays 3:30 - 4:30

Starts on Monday 12th September



**Multiskills Club!**

Year 1 & 2

Friday 3:30 - 4:30

Starts on Friday 16th September



**NETBALL CLUB!**

Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

Tuesdays 3:30 - 4:30

Starts on Tuesday 13th September



**Choir**

**KS2**

Mondays 3:30pm - 4:15pm

Starts Monday 26th September 2022



**Forest Club**

Wednesdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Years 2, 3 and 4

Starting 14th September