

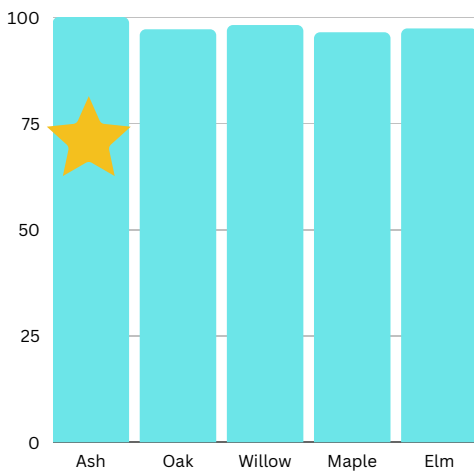
Friday 5th May 2023



Newsletter



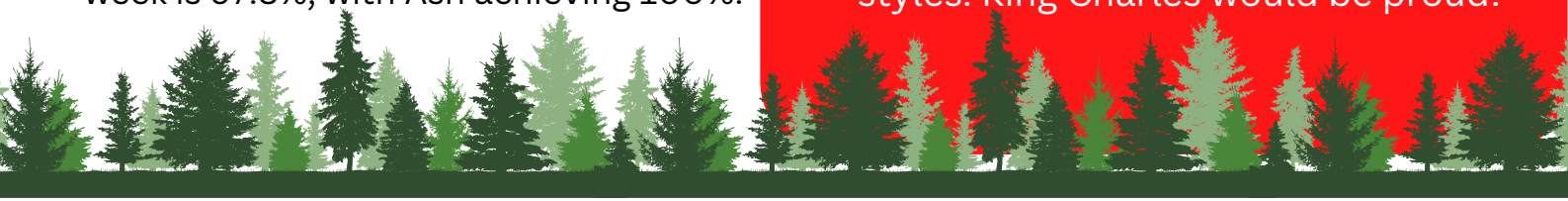
Attendance



The whole school attendance for this week is 97.8%, with Ash achieving 100%.

Highlights

- One major highlight this week was our Coronation Event. We were joined by so many parents and families who took part in the activities in class, and enjoyed sampling the many amazing cakes which were entered into the competition. The decorated crown competition was a huge success; we saw a vast array of colours and styles. King Charles would be proud!



Coronation Quiz

Thank you for the support from those who purchased one of the quizzes this week. Please return them to school by Wednesday 10th May. This gives families the opportunity to get a quiz on Tuesday from the office, or send £2 in to school in a named envelope.

Year 6 SATs

We would like to wish all of our Year 6 pupils '*GOOD LUCK*' for their SATs tests next week. They have all worked extremely hard in preparation and we know they will do us proud.

Mrs Simpson will have sent information home on Class Dojo about Year 6 Breakfast Club from Tuesday to Friday next week. Please try to make sure Year 6 pupils have plenty of sleep and are in school early each day. It is important that pupils attend school; please contact us before 8:30am if your child is unwell.

Preesall and Knott End Gala - Saturday 8th July

****PLEASE KEEP YOUR CROWNS!!!!****

We are going to enter the Gala procession with a float; we will also need an army of parent volunteers to help decorate and dress the trailer; this will involve a couple of evenings only. Please email Mrs Adams or Mrs Gladwin if your child would like to be part and/or if you are able to help with preparations.

The children will wear their crowns that have been skillfully made for today's event - please send them back in to school if they are to be part of our Gala entry.

Warmer weather

As the weather warms up, yet remains unpredictable, please can you apply sun-cream to your child/children before they come to school in the morning. The children are doing quite a few outdoor activities, including PE, so we need to make sure they are safe in the sun. Please also send them with hats for extra protection if you wish.

Holiday Club

Fleetwood Town Community Trust will be running another Holiday Club from our school in May Half Term. Please see the attached poster for details and how to book.



CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Don't forget to send in your out of school successes! Email head@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk or bursar@fleetwoods.lancs.sch.uk



One of our Year 5's team - Fleetwood Town Juniors Under 10's won a trophy this weekend at a two day tournament at Poolfoot



Our crown winners from each class

Dates for your diary



Monday 8/5/23 - Bank holiday (school closed)

Tuesday 9/5/23 - Friday 12/5/23 - Year 6 SATS

Tuesday 23/5/23 - Sports' Day

Thursday 25/5/23 - School closes for half term

Monday 5/6/23 - INSET (school closed)

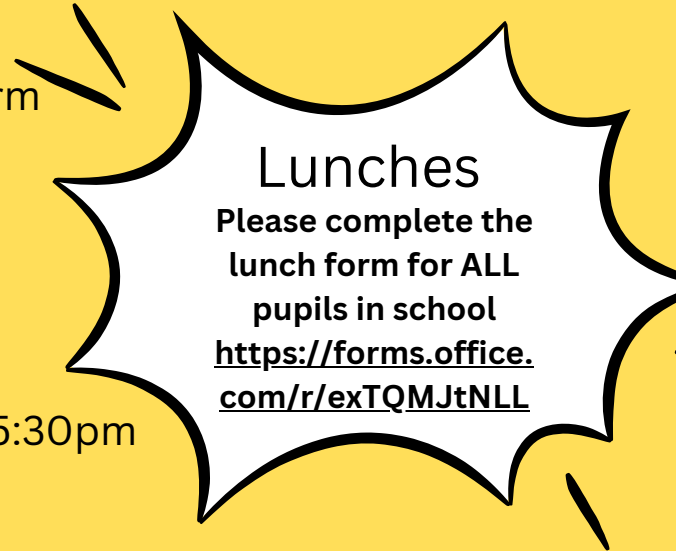
Tuesday 6/6/23 - School reopens for pupils

Thursday 29/6/23 - Summer Fair - 3:30pm - 5:30pm
details to follow

Saturday 8/7/23 - Knott End and Preesall Gala

Friday 14/7/23 - Whole school party including Leavers Prom - St Oswald's Church Hall

Friday 21/7/23 - School closes (1:30pm) *No After School Club on this day*



MULTISPORTS CAMPS

(TUESDAY 30th MAY - FRIDAY 2nd JUNE)



Carleton Green Primary (FY6 7TF)

FULL DAY (£14.00 PER DAY):
TIME: 09:00-16:30



Shakespeare Primary (FY7 7LL)

FULL DAY (£12.50 PER DAY):
TIME: 09:00-16:30



Fleetwood's Charity School (FY6 0NN)

FULL DAY (£12.50 PER DAY):
TIME: 09:00-16:30

Ages: 5-12 years
(4 year olds are eligible for half days AM or PM at half the price!)

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- Multisports, Games & Activities
- Fun Competitions Every Day
- Daily Prizes
- Daily Themed Sessions

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE VISIT: FTCT.EZFACILITY.COM
FOR ANY INFORMATION CONTACT: COMMUNITY@FLEETWOODTOWNFC.COM
OR CALL: 01253 208 442

POOLFOOT FOOTBALL CAMP

(TUESDAY 30th MAY - FRIDAY 2nd JUNE)



Poolfoot Farm (FY5 4HX)

**NORMAL DAY (£12.50 PER DAY):
TIME: 09:00-16:00**

- Football, Games & Activities
- Fun Competitions Every Day
- Daily Prizes
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10 top tips for safely using SMARTWATCHES

Kids love gadgets, and smartwatches – available to buy from as little as £20 online – make a tempting gift. As with any type of mobile technology, though, smartwatches can pose risks to children unless they're used safely. Receiving unwanted calls, cyber-stalking and distracting a young person when they're crossing the road are all known risks associated with smartwatches. However, these devices can bring plenty of benefits for children and parents alike – so let's examine the pros and cons of smartwatches.

AVOID CHEAP OPTIONS

A quick search online yields a torrent of cheap smartwatches for kids, costing as little as £20. It's wise to avoid this bargain basement tech: it tends to deliver a poor experience with inferior battery life, and it's hard to have faith in the software's safety. There have been cases of smartwatches being hacked to track or contact children; stick to known brands who have a reputation to protect.

CONTROL CALLING

Many smartwatches have the facility to make or take calls. As with a phone, you may want to restrict who your child can call – or be called by. On Apple Watches, you can select trusted contacts who are allowed to ring your child, while other watches' controls vary hugely. Some need to connect to a linked phone for calls, so you may be able to block unknown contacts via that device instead.

BEWARE HIDDEN COSTS

For a smartwatch to allow calls independently (that is, without being connected to a phone via Bluetooth), it will need its own mobile data plan. This might take the form of a tiny SIM card that you slot into the watch – or an eSIM, where the physical card is replaced by software settings. Either way, this will incur an additional monthly cost that you'll need to factor into any buying decision.

ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

Apple Watches aren't cheap, but they do offer superb safety features – allowing parents to control calls, messages and emails on the device, as well as a location tracking system that can send alerts if kids wander beyond pre-set boundaries. Their SOS function enables children to contact emergency services instantly if they're in trouble, which simultaneously also alerts parents and carers.

MAKE THEM COOL FOR SCHOOL

Some schools have banned smartwatches, as pupils have been using them as substitute phones. If your child's school does permit them, some devices can be set to prevent distractions in class. For example, Apple's Schooltime feature turns their watches into ordinary time-keeping devices during school hours. The display changes in this mode, showing teachers that it isn't being used for other purposes.

BE MINDFUL OF BEDTIME

Many smartwatches offer sleep tracking, which some (usually older) children use to justify wearing them to bed. However, that also presents a temptation to message friends or check social media late at night, even if their phone is downstairs. Unless there's a valid reason not to, you could encourage your child to remove the watch in the evenings and ensure the charger stays in a different room.

TRACK ITS LOCATION

Both Apple and Android devices have apps which allow you to track a smartwatch's location. They can also initiate an audio alert – avoiding those cushion-hurling panics when a treasured device can't be found at home. If you're planning to track your child's location via their watch, make them aware of that in advance. You could even make it a condition of them getting the watch in the first place.

THINK 'SAFETY FIRST'

Smartwatches are often worth hundreds of pounds, which can make young people wearing one a target for thieves. Advise your child to keep the watch hidden in public (when possible) and not to reset if muggers demand their watch. If you manage to track a stolen device, pass that information to the police: location data isn't always accurate, so you could end up wrongly accusing someone.

STORE MEDICAL INFO

Devices including the Samsung Galaxy Watch and Apple Watch can store the owner's medical details (such as their blood group and any pre-existing medical conditions), potentially giving emergency services access to vital information in a crisis. These devices also have 'hard fall' detection, which sends a text message to selected contacts along with a map showing the wearer's location.

USE THEM AS MOTIVATION

If you're worried your child's spending too much time slumped on the sofa staring at screens, smartwatches are great fitness trackers and can be a powerful incentive to get moving. Some devices will alert the wearer if they've been inactive for a long time and encourage them to do some exercise. Many watches record the user's daily step count and measure other health metrics.

Meet Our Expert

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