



Newsletter



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Dates for your diary

25.06.26 - Year 11 Prom

25.06.26- Year 11 Transition Day to other colleges

26.06.26 - Year 11 Leavers Assembly 10am

29.06.26- KS1 Sports Day 1.30pm

30.06.26- Lower KS2 Sports Day - 9.45am-11am

Classes 1N,2M,2P,2E

30.06.26 -Upper KS2 1:15pm-2:30pm -Classes

2B,2G,2R,2W

16.07.26 - Year 6 leavers assembly 10 am

09.07.26- Summer Production 10am and 6pm

17.07.26- Break up for Summer term

03.09.26 - School opens for Autumn term

Congratulations

to 2B for 98.9% attendance this week.

Whole school attendance is 90.6%

Free School Meals.

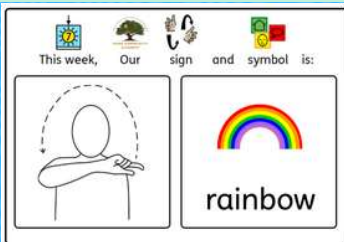
The UK Government has announced significant changes to the eligibility of Free School Meals from September 2026. All children in England whose households receive Universal Credit will be entitled to Free School Meals, regardless of their overall household income.

All pupils that are currently receiving Free School Meals at this moment in time will be stopped from 31st August, and only those who re-apply will be eligible from September. This will be the case every year moving forward.

FSM will be 2 tiered: Targeted FSM - Those eligible under the old criteria (Universal Credit, earn less than £7,400) **Expanded FSM:** Anyone in receipt of Universal Credit (except those above) Please see

<https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

to apply for Free School Meals for September 2026, if you do not apply your child will not receive their free school meal. If you have already applied since the 9th June 2026 then please do not apply again.



Congratulations to our Primary pupils, who have won the North West Special Schools Primary Panathlon 2025/26. The team showed fantastic determination, teamwork and resilience throughout the competition, giving their very best in every event. We are extremely proud of their achievement and the positive attitude they demonstrated.



Huge congratulations to our KeyStage 4 football team, who have been crowned Lancashire Schools Champions! The team has been outstanding throughout a challenging 20 game season, showing incredible determination, teamwork and skill. Their hard work has paid off as they secured the league title by the narrowest of margins - winning by one single point! A special well done goes to our three Year 11 pupils, who played their final game for the school. We are all incredibly proud of you all!



Summer savings for families

The Great British Summer Savings scheme is running from 25 June to 1 September 2026, helping families feel a bit less squeezed this summer.



The new scheme includes reduced VAT on days out, including tickets at attractions like soft play, adventure centres and theme parks, children's tickets for theatres and cinemas, and children's meals in restaurants. Children aged 5 to 15 in England will also be able to travel free on local bus services throughout August.



For further information about the scheme visit [Summer Savings](#).

Further support available to families, with more information available at [Cost of Living Help](#).



OUR NEXT ACCESSIBLE SESSION

THIS SESSION PROVIDES AN INCLUSIVE EXPERIENCE WITHOUT IMPACTING STANDARD DAYTIME OPERATIONS.

THERE WILL BE NO LOUD SOUNDS OR MUSIC PLAYED THROUGHOUT THE SESSION. ALONG WITH DEDICATED WATER AMBASSADORS ON DUTY TO SUPPORT GUESTS AS REQUIRED.

COME AND JOIN US ON SATURDAY 27TH JUNE 6 - 8PM FOR A QUIETER MORE RELAXED SESSION

DOUGH-ON-THE-GO

We are excited to announce that

DOUGH-ON-THE-GO IS BACK!

running the **POP-UP RESTAURANT** serving delicious **PIZZAS** cooked in our very own **PIZZA OVEN**

THURSDAY 9TH JULY, FROM 4:00PM TO 5:30PM

AT PARK COMMUNITY ACADEMY AHEAD OF THE EVENING PERFORMANCE OF **'Echos through time'**

Come along and enjoy a delicious meal before the show!

RESERVATIONS ONLY To book your table, please contact **The Oracle - 01253 478192.**

We look forward to welcoming you!

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

Sensory Toys

You may be aware that there have been several reports in the news recently about potentially dangerous squishy and other sensory toys being removed from sales across Lancashire and other parts of the UK.

The warning comes amid reports from across the country that some of these toys have been found to contain high levels of dangerous toxic chemicals and children are being harmed.

Trading Standards is urging consumers to buy toys from reputable retailers and to check that products carry the correct safety information and supplier details before making a purchase. Their advice is to:

- Inspect packaging carefully to find a UKCA or CE mark
- Make sure the product bears the name and address of a UK-based importer or manufacturer.
- Check if warnings and usage instructions are present.
- If any of the above is missing, then it is likely that the toy hasn't been subject to the required safety testing.
- Be cautious of 'bargains' - counterfeit or 'copycat' toys are often cheaper but may pose serious safety risks, including choking hazards and toxic materials.
- Buy from reputable retailers and avoid unfamiliar online vendors or third-party sellers on online marketplace listings.

At PCA we are asking that pupils do NOT bring any sensory or fidget toys into school. These will be provided for students by the school if they need them.

Thank you for your help with this.



MEAL DEAL PIZZA, DRINK AND SNACK £5

DOUGH-ON-THE-GO

PCA Sixth Form at the Oracle

June opening

Wednesday

3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

@Oracle

BRING THE HEAT THIS JUNE - NEW WEEKLY SPECIALS!

Star of the Week

1B -Hela for trying two new foods in school this week.

1H - Jullian for independently accessing a mark making activity.

1M - Lily-Mae for lots of positive interactions with staff all week.

1N -Mason for fantastic retelling of our class story as well as some fantastic sentence writing.

1W - Evie for beautiful singing and signing to familiar songs!

2B -Aliylah for fantastic swimming and positive attitude during swimming this week!

2E - Jack for fantastic communication about our class story book.

2G - Archie has worked so hard with his phonics this week & is now building and writing CVC words!

2M - Aiden for his fantastic engagement and communication during Attention Autism lessons.

2P - Jacob for fantastic engagement and communication.

2R - Rupert for exploring new friendships with confidence and great communication with his peers.

2W - Kai for his engagement with his friends at playtime.

Achiever of the Week

3B - Rio for his enthusiasm and effort during Sports day.

3C - Tyler P for having a positive attitude in all areas of learning this week.

3H - Summer for brilliant independent work in English.

3J - Hayden for great determination on Sports day.

3L - Harley for working with great independence in History.

3P - Eliza for overall brilliant resilience and effort this week.

3W - Lilly for being helpful in the classroom.

3R - Joe for his mature attitude when out on a school trip and for his fantastic answers during French.

3T - Jacob for making good choices.

4H - Chloe for being so caring and thoughtful towards others.

4M - Devante, for always going out of his way to help out in class especially with KS1.

4S - Courtney for developing her confidence and communication with everyone this week.

4T-Robbie for showing great perseverance and a great attitude this week.

4W - Harry for another fabulous year pushing himself out of his comfort zone.

5I - Jamie for his amazing effort during work experience this week.

5J - Jason for managing his feelings in an age appropriate way.

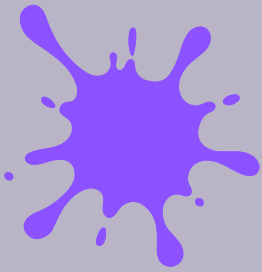
5M -Patrick for his resilient attitude towards unstructured events.

5B- Ana for listening and following instructions this week.

Classroom News

KS1

1M have really enjoyed exploring different ways to make patterns using cotton wool and paint this week. We loved using our phrase ready, steady, splat, splat, splat. Lots of fun was had by all seeing the many colours and patterns we created.



KS2

2M have been learning all about money this week in class. They observed an Attention Autism session with different coins being painted, listening to 'bronze', 'silver' and 'gold', before making their own coin rubbings with crayons. They have also gone shopping using money to identify how an exchange can be made for a £1. They paid for an orange slushie, which they had voted on for the flavour (orange or apple) using a ballot and enjoyed tasting the creation to cool down in the warm weather!



KS3

As excitement builds for our upcoming summer show Echoes Through Time, 3C have been hard at work behind the scenes—bringing imagination to life through an incredible range of props and costumes. Tables are filled with fabrics, sketches, paints, and half-finished creations, each one a small piece of the larger story our performance will tell. The pupils have embraced the challenge with enthusiasm, creativity, and teamwork, transforming simple materials into detailed and expressive pieces that reflect different moments in time and music history. Lily, in particular, has stood out not just for her own design work, but for her willingness to share her skills. She has been guiding a few of 4M through her design techniques—demonstrating how to plan, layer materials, and add those all-important finishing touches. It has been a real delight to see her take on this leadership role with such confidence and kindness.

The costumes themselves are coming together brilliantly—each one thoughtfully designed to reflect character, setting, and era. Meanwhile, the props are adding depth and authenticity, helping to transport both performers and audience through the different moments represented in Echoes Through Time. We are incredibly proud of Class 3C and all the effort they have put into preparing for this show. If the creativity and dedication we've seen so far are anything to go by, Echoes Through Time promises to be a truly memorable performance.

We can't wait to see it all come together on stage!



There was a real 'buzz' at PCA and in Cleveleys this week as Savages Barbers showed what community spirit is all about, generously offering free haircuts to our Year 11 boys preparing for their next big chapter.

With the Prom just around the corner, the team at Savages Barbers wanted to give our pupils a confidence boost—and what better way than helping them look and feel their best? The Barbers at Savages are very experienced in supporting neurodiverse young people and for many of our pupils, the gesture meant more than just a haircut. It was a chance to relax, feel valued, and celebrate the end of their school journey with a bit of well-earned pampering.

Savages Barbers has long been known locally for its welcoming atmosphere of young people from all walks of life.

This act of kindness highlights just how important small businesses are in bringing communities together.

A huge well done to Savage Barbers in Cleveleys for making a real difference to our young people and well done to our year 11 pupils for representing the school so brilliantly.

KS4



KS5

Work Experience placements continue for some of our Oracle students this week. Jamie and Keiron have had a great time working at the Blackpool Sports Centre helping out with the Schools Games programme.

There has been some exciting sporting events including football and netball tournaments, competed in by a large number of Blackpool schools. Jamie and Keiron have enjoyed setting up the pitches, supervising and refereeing the events and handing out medals and certificates to participants.





For family or friends who
step up to raise a child.

Are you a kinship carer in: Newham, Oxfordshire, Rochdale or Blackpool?



Kinship carers are friends or
family who step up to raise a
child when their parents aren't able to.

Get **FREE** support and be part of a national research trial

Kinship, the national charity for kinship carers is funded to provide support to 160 kinship carers over the next year.

What this means

We're looking for **40 kinship carers in each area** to receive our 6-month Kinship Connected programme.

This is **absolutely free** and you'll receive independent support from a charity worker called a Kinship Navigator.

They'll work with you to:

- understand you and your family needs
- develop your own personalised and practical toolkit and plan
- help you to advocate for kinship child or children

help you to access and understand things like the schools system or applying for an EHCP and much more



For family or friends who
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Sign up to our free information event

You can find out more information at a special event on
Thursday 18 June 2026 online using **Zoom**.

Book your free place

You must be a kinship carer to attend. This programme is for all kinship carers except kinship foster carers. This event is filled on a first come basis.

Want to find out more?

Go to this website to read about the research trial and what that might mean for you:

www.kinship.org.uk/Newham

www.kinship.org.uk/Oxfordshire

www.kinship.org.uk/Rochdale

www.kinship.org.uk/Blackpool

For more information, please contact navigator@kinship.org.uk

Book

12pm - 1pm

SCAN ME



Book

7pm - 8pm

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HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



**DONATE TODAY FOR OUR
SCHOOL READY FAMILY FUN DAY**

SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST | 12 NOON - 4PM

FOREST GATE BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship at 12pm
Lunch at 1pm
School ready family fun day
12-4pm

We are seeking donations to help us provide school essentials, fun activities, refreshments, information and support for local families.

YOUR DONATION, BIG OR SMALL, MAKES A BIG IMPACT!

WHAT WE NEED DONATIONS OF



SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Shirts, jumpers, trousers, skirts, shorts, ties, PE kit, coats & jackets
+ items in perfect, good condition



SHOES & TRAINERS

New or pre-loved, in good condition



PENCIL CASE ITEMS

Pens, pencils, rubbers, rulers, sharpeners, highlighters, calculators, notebooks & more



RAFFLE PRIZES

Gift sets, vouchers, chocolates, toys, games & more



REFRESHMENTS

Tea, coffee, juice, bottled water, snacks, biscuits, cakes & more



INFORMATION & RESOURCES

Leaflets, wellbeing resources, college information, family support materials & more



YOUR DONATIONS HELP US PROVIDE:

- ✓ Free school uniforms and shoes
- ✓ Build Your Own Pencil Case station
- ✓ Crafts, games & fun activities
- ✓ Information & wellbeing support
- ✓ Free food bags for families
- ✓ A fun, safe & supportive day for everyone!

HOW TO DONATE



BOOK OFF DONATIONS AT:

Community First
111 Arlington Street
Newquay, PL4 8PP



HELP A FRIEND-OUT:

Conduct us to a bank
or post office

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY!
TOGETHER, WE CAN HELP LOCAL CHILDREN
START THE SCHOOL YEAR WITH CONFIDENCE.**



A PROJECT OF



SCHOOL READY

FAMILY FUN DAY

A fun, supportive day for local families to help children get ready for the new school year.



Saturday 15th August | 12 noon – 4pm
Forest Gate Baptist Church

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



Free school uniforms, shoes and trainers



Build Your Own Pencil Case



Free food bags



Crafts and colouring competition



Glitter tattoos



Teen confidence & wellbeing area



Information and support staff



Hotdogs, drinks, biscuits and fruit



Outdoor games, music and an ice cream van

WHAT TO BRING

Donate your old school uniforms to
charitably first to Colington Street
stockport PH11 9EP

FUN PRIZE RAFFLE!

Come along, have fun and get ready for a great school year together!

