

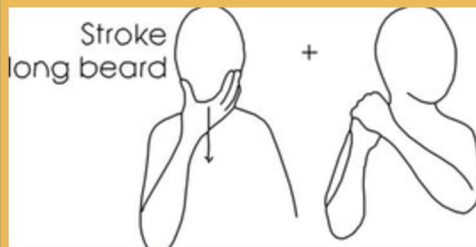


Merry Christmas

What a busy term this has been, packed full of learning, success and resilience! We have had so many things to enjoy and celebrate across the term including a multitude of sporting successes, residential trips, dance festivals, band performances and enterprise markets. Of course, the year has ended with our Christmas celebrations which have included nativities, extravaganzas, parties, a panto trip, Winter Wonderland, 3 Christmas dinners, a carol concert and this morning Santa and his elves flew in to join in the merriment! I would like to take this opportunity to thank our WONDERFUL PCA staff, as none of this could happen without their enthusiasm, dedication and hard work. I would also like to thank all of our families for working so closely with us and supporting us, as we all know that when we all work together, that is when we most effectively help our children and young people become successful learners, responsible citizens and resilient individuals. May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs Hughes

Sign of the Week



Father Christmas



GOODBYE

This term we are saying goodbye to Mrs Cholmondeley. Thank you for all of your hard work and commitment to PCA, our young people and their families and we wish you all the best of luck for the future.

Upcoming Events

- 06.01.2025 Inset day - school closed to pupils.
- 07.01.25 - School opens for term
- 09.02.25 - School closes for half term
- 28.03.25 - School closes for term

Congratulations
to class 3S
for 97.9% attendance
this week.
Whole school
attendance is 87.7%

Congratulations

Congratulations to Caitlin in class 2G and Emily in class 3B for winning the £25 voucher for 100% attendance for the term. Class 3S won best attendance for the whole of the Autumn term. 2G came second and 3T came third. Well done!

After school Clubs and Youth Club

After school clubs will restart on Tuesday 7th January and Youth Club will start again on Monday 13th January.

Our Christmas Production 'Remembering the Nativity'



Winter Wonderland

We started the week on a high, as our Forest Classroom was magically transformed into our very own 'Winter Wonderland'.



Healthy Food

Roast chicken dinner recipe

Everyone thinks a roast takes a lot of effort but this recipe proves just how simple it can be. A bit of cooking time is all you need!

Ingredients

1 whole 2kg chicken
1.2kg potatoes, peeled and quartered
1 teaspoon vegetable oil
4 carrots, sliced
2 leeks, sliced
half a savoy cabbage, sliced
150g frozen peas
4 teaspoons reduced-salt gravy granules



Prep: 20 mins
Cook: 90 mins
Serves 6

Method

Preheat the oven to 190C (170C fan, gas mark 5). Put the chicken into a large roasting tin and roast in the centre of the oven for 90 minutes (or for the cooking time shown on the packaging).

To add extra flavour, stuff the chicken with half an onion, half a lemon or a few garlic cloves before roasting.

Put the potatoes into a separate roasting tin and add the oil. Toss to coat, then roast on the oven shelf above the chicken for 60 minutes, turning after 30 minutes.

Start to cook the vegetables when the chicken is almost done. The carrots will take 10 to 15 minutes. The leeks, cabbage and peas will take 5 to 8 minutes when cooked together in a covered saucepan with a small amount of boiling water.

Check that the chicken is completely cooked by piercing the thickest part of the leg with a sharp knife or skewer – the juices should be clear if the chicken is done. Transfer to a carving board and cover the chicken with foil, allowing it to rest for 10 minutes before carving. While the chicken is resting, make the gravy according to the pack instructions.

Serve 150g of chicken per portion, without skin. Serve with the roast potatoes, vegetables and gravy.

Leftover chicken is so versatile! It goes brilliantly in a lunch sandwich or chicken and salad wrap, or you can use it in our four seasons pizza or spiced chicken and vegetable soup.

Star of the Week

1C - All of class 1C for a fantastic term and for participating in many Christmas crafts in Art.

1P - All of 1P for having a fantastic term.

1B - Kaylee for helping bring in the packed lunches.

1A - Well done to Corah for independently over copying her name inside her Christmas card this week.

1H - All of 1H for trying their best and being great friends.

2E - Favour for great pencil control this week.

2C - Eddie for his continued effort with his writing.

2M - Khang for fantastic signing, when asking for objects.

2R - Harry C for his wonderful effort writing his poem.

2W - Chenar for performing songs brilliantly on the chime bars and with the actions.

2G - The whole class for winning Primary attendance for this term!

2A - May for being a great support to others and for taking on any challenge set.

Congratulations



Achiever of the Week

3J - Caitlin for showing lots of confidence in class this week.

3H - River for a fantastic attitude and working well with her peers.

3L - Tyler T for being such a good friend to others in class.

3C - Thomas for taking pride in producing great art work and being a kind friend.

3R - Joe for following the PCA way and having a great attitude.

3S - Theo for fantastic French work.

3T - The whole of 3T for having such a fabulous term.

3B - Ronay for exploring the climbing equipment so confidently.

4M - All of 4M for a fantastic term.

4J - Emire for her wonderful skills opening up a Cafe in the KS4 kitchen.

4W - Everyone in 4W for a great term.

4H - All of 4H for an amazing term.

4B - Rio for always keeping the classroom clean and tidy.

5J - Everyone for having a fantastic term!!!

5TG - Jasmine and Roman for taking part in social games with great peer interactions.

5I - Victoria for always being kind, thoughtful and considerate!

5M - Everyone for having a brilliant week in the lead up to Christmas.

WELL DONE!

Classroom News



We've had a great end of term today. Father Christmas waved at us from the roof this morning, and we've had a singing and dancing giant Christmas tree playing outdoors at playtime. 1B hope that everyone has a Happy Christmas.



2A have had such a great last week in school but a very busy one! Everyone enjoyed the Winter Wonderland, which was magical, we got to meet Father Christmas and we all received a present. That afternoon we had a fantastic part, we played games, danced and even sang our favourite songs on karaoke. We had a craft day yesterday where we made calendars, decorations and paper plate snowmen. We are looking forward to a restful Christmas before coming back to school to see our friends again. Thank you to everyone who made our last few weeks so much fun.





This week saw Winter Wonderland in the Forest which once again provided some festive fun. This year the Forest had a special Gingerbread theme. After a visit to Santa's grotto, everybody then got to decorate their own gingerbread biscuit, and took a walk around Wonderland guided by our very own gingerbread man!



Some of 4J were feeling festive whilst decorating the mural at Blackpool and the Fylde College. There was even a festive map painted. We have really enjoyed this term at college and have learnt lots of new skills to prepare us for adulthood.



It was fantastic to see lots of our sixth formers and staff at the Watson Road Park lights switch on at the weekend. It's lovely to see everyone celebrating Christmas with the community. Thank you to those who came and well done to Kris's for switching on the lights.



COPING AT CHRISTMAS

The Added Pressures of Christmas can be Tough, but it's Important to know there's always Someone you can Talk to...

NHS 111 online

Call 111 & select option 2 to speak to the NHS Mental Health Crisis Response Service 24/7

[Nhs.uk/mental-health](https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health)

PAPYRUS

Under 35s can Call 0800 068 4141, Text: 88247 or Email: pat@papyrus-uk.org 24/7

[Papyrus-uk.org](https://www.papyrus-uk.org)

SAMARITANS

Call 116 123 to talk to Samaritans, or email: jo@samaritans.org for a reply within 24 hours

[Samaritans.org](https://www.samaritans.org)



Call MIND's Mental Health Helpline 9am to 6pm, Monday to Friday on 0300 102 1234

[Mind.org.uk](https://www.mind.org.uk)

shout
85258

Text "SHOUT" to 85258 to contact the Shout Crisis Text Line, or text "YM" if you're under 19

[Giveusashout.org](https://www.giveusashout.org)



Mental Health Forum & Chat for Men from 5pm - midnight every day Call or Whatsapp 0800 585858

[Thecalmzone.net](https://www.thecalmzone.net)

[ChristmasCountdown.uk](https://www.ChristmasCountdown.uk)

The BIG FOOD TRUCK enables individuals and families to access food at a fraction of supermarket prices. We are working closely with our suppliers to encourage and help them to donate their surplus food safely and effectively, which we then redistribute to our network of members via our food hubs and partners.

Membership is free and once registered, members can choose how much food they need based on the needs of their household. For example an individual bag, a family set of 3 bags or a large family set of 6 bags.

Single bag £4

Family set of 3 bags £6.50

To register - Text your name to your preferred location.

Collection hours

Collection from @ The Grange - Monday 1.30pm until 2.30pm

Collection from Blackpool Football Club - Tuesday 2pm until 3pm

Collection from Layton Methodist Church - Thursday 2pm until 3pm

Collection from the Harbour NHS staff and in patients only - Wednesday 1.30pm until 2.30pm

Contact

07378 905676 : For collection from The Grange, Grange Park text your name

07908 663674 : For collection from North Stand, Blackpool Football Club text your name

07378 905774 : For collection from Layton Methodist Church text your name

07860 027502 : For collection from the Harbour