



STRIKE LANE NEWS

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Dear Parent & Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break; it has been so nice to welcome the children back to the Summer Term.

Unfortunately, we won't be seeing the return of Mrs Preston until after she has had her baby now. She needs to take some time to rest at home and so Miss Cuff has taken over the teaching of our Reception children until the end of this year.

Currently in Year 5 we have Miss Ellen Callaghan supporting Mr Denton in the mornings and covering planning time for some teachers throughout the afternoons. This will be the case until Mrs Natalie Stein takes over this role from Tuesday 5th May.

We have also said goodbye to 2 of our lunchtime play supervisors over the Easter break, Bonnie Ward and Mandy Christian (although Bonnie will still be with us at After school Club). We would like to thank them both for their work with our children and can let you know that we have appointed 3 new lunchtime assistants who will be joining our team as soon as we have completed our safeguarding checks and induction.

Our Reception class have had a visit from Dr Aaliya Aziz of the Lytham Islamic Society who has been sharing special stories with the children as part of the RE curriculum just as Deacon Kim did last term. Meanwhile Sgt Robinson of the Neighbourhood Policing Team for Fylde has been in to work with Year 5 as part of their commitment to strengthening partnerships with schools and enhancing the policing-led education available to pupils of all ages. The session for Year 5 covered Travelling to School Safely which I know the children found really helpful and enjoyable.

Jon from Memories Made Photography has been in school this week taking some photos for our website. We are hoping to have a new updated website for your perusal this term and are working closely with our colleagues at Endeavour Learning Trust to get this in place. I am excited to see the new photos as I know the children were really enjoying showing off what a great school we have.

On Thursday we had the excitement of receiving our list of new children for September 2026. Information will be sent to these families next week to let them know about our Induction Process which will start with a meeting on Wednesday 6th May at 5pm.

And of course, our new Leavers Hoodies have arrived – how lovely to see all the Year 6 children in their bright colours this week!

Next week Year 5 will be having a trip out to the Climbing Wall at Preston. This is funded by the Sports Premium and is a great opportunity for our children to try a brand-new experience. We hope it inspires some new rock-climbing enthusiasts.

Until then have a great weekend and I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Katherine Shuttleworth

Dates for your diary

(New dates in red)

Thursday 23rd April - Y5 Wall Climbing

Thursday 23rd April - St George's Day Themed Lunch

Thursday 30th April – Y2 Library Visit

Monday 4th May – May Day Closure

Tuesday 5th May - School Re-opens For All Pupils

Wednesday 6th May – 5:00pm-6:00pm - Reception 25 New Starter Induction Meeting

Monday 11th May – Y6 SATS Week

Thursday 14th May – Y1 Library Visit

Friday 15th May - Whole School Danceathon

Monday 18th May - Y6 Leavers Photo

Thursday 21st May – Y4 Paddle Sports at Fairhaven Lake

Friday 22nd May - Progress & Kindness Cup Assembly

Friday 22nd May - School Closes for Half Term (usual finishing times apply)

Monday 1st June – Staff Inset Day

Tuesday 2nd June - School Re-opens For All Pupils

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

If your financial circumstances have changed your child may be entitled to free school meals/pupil premium. You can quickly check your eligibility by visiting the following website, <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>

Please be aware school receives additional funding for every pupil premium children we have on roll so it would be appreciated if you check your eligibility and apply if entitled.

Attendance

Class Attendance Week ending 17/03/26	Weekly %
Oak	96.8%
Beech	97.4%
Rowan	94.7%
Maple	95.3%
Willow	94.6%
Sycamore	95.7%
Hornbeam	99.1%



Stars Of The Week

Well done to all of our winners,
you should be very proud of all of your
achievements!



Year Group	Stars Of The Week
Oak	Rylie & Ethan
Beech	Daniel & Bella
Rowan	Archie & Casper
Maple	Ella & Phoebe
Willow	Scarlett & Vaughan
Sycamore	Aimielea & Isla M
Hornbeam	Colton & Laila

Attendance

Well done to Oak, Beech & Hornbeam Classes for achieving over 96% attendance this week.

Themed Lunch

Next Thursday 23rd April, children will be enjoying a special celebratory lunch to mark St George's Day (*please see the attached poster for meal options*).

If your child would like to take part but does not usually have school meal on this day, the cost will be £2.90 and will be applied to your child's Arbor account on the day once the lunch register is taken.

If your child already has a school meal on that day, you will be charged as usual.

Please note:

- There is no charge for children in Reception, Year 1, or Year 2, as they receive Universal Free School Meals.
- There is also no charge for children eligible for Free School Meals based on household income.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

We still have spaces available in most of our extra-curricular clubs for Summer Term 1. To register your child for a club please login to your Arbor app, scroll to the "**Activities**" section and select "**Clubs**". You will need to scroll down to where it says "**(Child's Name) can be registered for these clubs**" to see what clubs are available and complete the registration process.

Online Safety

Together with the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology (DSIT), we have published new resources on the <https://kidsonlineafety.campaign.gov.uk/> website to help parents and carers understand and get support for online bullying and gaming. These new sections are designed to help families and give them more confidence in talking to their children about what they're doing and experiencing online. The updated content includes information on how to spot the signs of online bullying, guidance and support if a child is being bullied, practical tips to help make online gaming safer and information on age ratings and parental controls for games. We continue to link to trusted charities and expert organisations where families can find specialist support, including helplines and further advice.

St George's Day Lunch

Option 1



English Breakfast

*English Breakfast
Bacon, Fluffy Omelette, Hash Brown, Baked
Beans & Tomato*

Option 2



Cannon Balls

*Meatballs & Pasta in Tomato Sauce
with Crusty Bread*

Option 3



St George's Picnic

*Vegetarian Sausage Roll with Veggie
Sticks & Crisps*

Option 4



English Afternoon Tea

*Sandwiches with Cheesy Wedges &
Cucumber Spears*

Dessert

English Fairy Cakes, Fruit & Yogurt



Fylde

Volunteer

Fair

Want to make a difference in your local community?
Come and meet local charities and organisations for free
advice, information and opportunities to volunteer!

FREE ENTRY

Monday 20 April 2026, 10am-1pm
Fairhaven Methodist Church,
Lytham St Annes, FY8 1BZ

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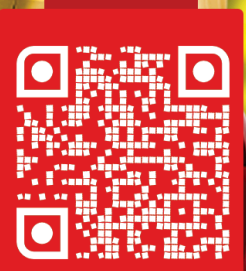
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