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STRIKE LANE NEWS

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Well done this week to our team of Year 5 & 6 children who took part in the Sports Hall Athletics event at Carr Hill on Tuesday. Quinn, Jayla, Isla S, Hope T, Phoebe, Izaak, Tommy S, Joey, Theo, Austin, Parker, Hope M, Ava, Bembé, Colton, Lewie, Isabella and Anya all represented the school brilliantly and had great fun there too. Also on Tuesday Mr Clough, Road Safety Officer for Lancashire County Council came in to school to begin working with our school councillors. They are looking at working on some child - led parking campaigns to help promote safer parking around the school premises. We hope to be able to share some of their work with you later in the school year.

Year 5 made their trip to Freckleton library on Thursday afternoon. Reading for pleasure is a high priority for us here at Strike Lane and I am so proud when I hear the children talk so enthusiastically about their reading both at home and at school. We know that parents do not always have the time to hear children read at home but spending a few minutes each day reading to or sharing a favourite book with your child has great benefits in improving their imagination, creativity and vocabulary.

Finally, I'd like to say thank you for the many messages of support and the kindness shown in wishing me well as I announced my plans for retirement earlier this week. It will be very hard to leave the school at the end of this year, but I am confident that the recruitment process for a new Headteacher will be very robust and will ultimately find a leader who is aligned to Strike Lane's ethos and values and who will continue to have high expectations of the school and community. Please be in no doubt that I will continue to provide my very best for our children, staff and parents until my last day and I will ensure that there is a comprehensive handover to my successor. We will of course inform you as and when we have news of an appointment.

Have a lovely weekend everybody,

Katherine Shuttleworth

Dates for your diary **(new dates in red)**

Monday 26th January - 6pm – Friends Meeting at The Coach & Horses Pub
Friday 13th February – Progress & Kindness Cup Assembly
Friday 13th February – School Closes for Half Term (usual finishing times apply)
Monday 23rd February – School Re-Opens for All Pupils

Finance

We still have a number of outstanding payments for school lunches, Care Club fees, and also iPad payments. Please could any outstanding payments be made at your earliest convenience. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school office and a payment plan can be arranged. Failure to do so could result in your debt being passed on to Lancashire County Council's Debt Recovery team where further charges may be incurred.

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 any pupil premium children we have on roll so it would be appreciated if you check your eligibility and apply if entitled.

Class Attendance (week ending 23/01/26)	Weekly
Oak	92.7%
Beech	98.2%
Rowan	95.7%
Maple	92.5%
Willow	91.3%
Sycamore	93.4%
Hornbeam	92.3%

Stars of the Week

Well done to all our Winners
You should be very proud of your achievements

Year Group	Stars of the Week
Oak	Isabella & Leonardo
Beech	Jasper & Renae-Ruby
Rowan	Indi & Edward
Maple	Charles & Summer-Leigh
Willow	Oliver & Delilah
Sycamore	Cian & Aimielea
Hornbeam	Ava & Charlie

Attendance

Well done to Beech Class for achieving over 96% attendance this week.

Safeguarding

We would like to remind you that for safeguarding purposes, parents and carers should not enter the school building whilst children are on site unless they have a pre-arranged meeting with a member of staff.

Any concerns should be raised in the first instance via the school office or an appropriate member of staff so a meeting time can be arranged.

Concerns of an emergency safeguarding nature will be dealt with by one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Shuttleworth, Mrs Bamber, or Mr Moulding.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support helping us keep all children safe.

Art Project Request

Once again we are participating in the annual Young Seaside Schools' Arts & Crafts Exhibition sponsored by Blackpool and The Fylde College. The exhibition is a fantastic opportunity for our school to showcase our pupils' creative talents. Mrs Jones and Mrs McDowell are currently helping the children who attend Art Club to create an under the sea themed installation entitled Diving In. If anyone has any of the items listed below, please could they be brought into the school office.

- Plastic bottles and lids (washed)
- Egg cartons
- Old magazines and newspapers
- Bottle tops, yoghurt pots (washed)
- Scrap fabric, foil, netting
- String or yarn

Friends

The Friends of Strike Lane would like to invite parents/carers/volunteers to join them at their next committee meeting next Monday 26th January at 6pm in the Coach and Horses pub, Freckleton. Everyone is welcome to attend and find out more about what The Friends do. They will be discussing future fund-raising events at school and any new ideas will be most welcome.

If you would like any more details, please speak to any of the Friends or email friendsofstrikelaneschool@gmail.com

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Join us for a fun filled day
of exciting activities,
games and new friends!

Yoga Craft
Dance Games

Monday 16th February
Weeton Village Hall
10.00 – 3.30pm
Ages 4-10

Thank you so much!
P had the best day!





Lancashire
Cricket

U10 & U12 GIRLS ASSESSMENT CENTRES

Do you enjoy having fun with friends and being part of a team?
We're looking for young girls who want to give cricket a go!

LANCASHIRE PATHWAY CRICKET

- ✓ New early engagement programme for girls U10 & U12
- ✓ A chance for young girls to enjoy pathway cricket from a young age!
- ✓ Fun, safe and enjoyable sessions with experienced Lancashire coaches
- ✓ Minimal travel, equal opportunities and free of charge
- ✓ No experience required



A MESSAGE FROM LEAD COACH PHOEBE GRAHAM

"It's incredible to create a cricket programme that encourages young girls to play cricket. There has never been a more exciting time to be a female cricketer. I hope this programme inspires the next generation of cricketers for the Red Rose."

Player assessments will be held in January and February. If successful, you will be part of a training program led by Phoebe Graham.

REGISTER NOW

AKS Lytham

January Cricket Kit Drive 2026



Bring your pre-loved cricket equipment & clothing to the AKS Sports Centre anytime in the month of January. Your donations will be used to help more young people to access the game of cricket - which we believe should be a sport for all!



AKS Lytham



Every Friday (term time) 9.30am-11.30am



INFORMATION WORKSHOPS

Aiming Higher
231-233 Church Street,
Blackpool, FY1 3PB

9TH JANUARY - CONSULTATION & WELCOME BACK

16TH JANUARY - BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT

23RD JANUARY - BEING A PARENT & A CARER

30TH JANUARY - EMERGENCY PLANNING

6TH FEBRUARY - BUILDING BRICKS COMMUNICATION

13TH FEBRUARY - MANAGING MEETINGS

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND THE FULL TIMETABLE
VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.AIMINGHIGHERCHARITY.ORG.UK

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School Nursing Team DROP IN

Speak to a member of our school nursing team about various health topics including emotional health, diet, healthy lifestyles, sleep, bed-wetting & constipation, head lice and behaviour.

When?

Friday 6th Feb 9.30am- 11am

Friday 6th March 9.30am- 11am

Friday 17th April 9.30am- 11am

Where?

NEWTON BLUE COAT SCHOOL

School Lane

Newton-with-Scales

PR4 3RT

FRECKLETON METHODIST CHURCH

Afternoon Tea

Supporting your local hospice

Trinity Hospice provide compassionate care on the journey towards the end of life for those who live in Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde, touching the lives of around 8,000 people each year.

7TH FEBRUARY 2026

2PM - 4PM

KIRKHAM ROAD

PR4 1HS

£10

Pay on Door



**Trinity
Hospice**
Compassion and care

Registered Charity No. 511009



Holy Trinity Church
Lytham Road
Freckleton
Preston
PR4 1AA



Schedule – February 2026

Sun. 01 Feb.	11:00	Worship4U
Sat. 07 Feb.	14:00	Afternoon tea at Freckleton Methodist Church for Trinity Hospice
Sun. 08 Feb.	11:00	Parish Communion
Wed. 11 Feb.	14:00	Mothers' Union meal at Rigby's
Sat. 14 Feb.	10:00	St Paul's Little Café
Sun. 15 Feb.	11:00	Parish Communion
Wed. 18 Feb.	19:00	Ash Wednesday service also at St Paul's at 09:30
Sun. 22 Feb.	11:00	Parish Communion
Sat. 28 Feb.	10:00	Coffee and toasties

Evening Prayer Mondays at 16:00



www.freckletonparishchurch.org.uk

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