



# Trawden Forest Primary School

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# Headteacher's Message



Thank you so much to all that supported and attended our Coffee Morning last Friday in support of Macmillan Cancer Support. The turnout was wonderful on the day and we really appreciate all your kind donations of cakes, buns and biscuits - we raised the huge total of £851 for this very worthy cause!

We had an amazing response for today's Grandparent Event – it's lovely to be able to involve more family members in days like this and the feedback we have received from everyone is so positive about our lovely school (despite all the steps!) and our pupils.

Regarding Forest School days, please can I just remind parents and carers that children should be wearing either plain black trainers or their school shoes to school on those days to wear inside. They can wear their normal green school cardigan or jumper on top of their black Forest School tops should they wish – children get changed into their Forest School outdoor waterproofs and wellies when it is time for them to go outside.

As we start to head into the cooler/wetter months, please can you ensure that your child remembers to bring a coat with them everyday. And also, to make it easier to match up missing/found items with their owners, please remember to write your child's name into coats and jumpers!

Thank you for your continued support and have a wonderful weekend,

Kindest regards  
Mrs L Stinchon

# Forest School Open Day Taster Session



Saturday 10th October, from 10:00am to 11:00am, we will be holding a Forest School Stay and Play Open Day on our school field for prospective parents and children due to start school in September 2027.

Families will have the opportunity to explore our outdoor learning environment, take part in Forest School activities, meet our Forest School teacher, gardening team and school leaders, and discover what makes Trawden Forest Primary School such a special place to learn and grow.

We would be grateful if our current parents could help spread the word to friends, neighbours and family members who have a child due to start school in September 2027 and may be interested in coming along.

We look forward to welcoming new families and sharing all that our wonderful school has to offer.



# Trawden Children



## The Trawden 5

Happy - Healthy - Safe

**Trawden Forest Primary School**  
Every Child Matters;  
Every Moment Counts.

| 1<br>Trawden Walk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2<br>Trawden Talk                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 3<br>Trawden Transitions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 4<br>Trawden Stop                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 5<br>Trawden Respect                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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|  We walk silently.<br> We walk calmly.<br> We walk safely.<br> We keep to the left. |  We use quiet voices.<br> We speak kindly.<br> We listen when others are talking. |  We listen for instructions.<br> We move sensibly and quickly.<br> We go to the right place. |  We stop straight away.<br> We look at the adult.<br> We listen carefully. |  We are kind to others.<br> We follow instructions first time.<br> We look after our school environment. |


**Successful**


**Trustworthy**


**Adaptable**


**Remarkable**

To keep parents informed, we would like to share how incredibly proud we are of our children and the exemplary behaviour they demonstrate every day through following The Trawden 5.

These simple but effective routines help create a happy, healthy and safe learning environment where every child can thrive. Whether walking quietly and safely around school, speaking kindly and listening respectfully to others, moving sensibly and listening respectfully to others, stopping and paying attention when needed, or showing respect for people and our school environment, our pupils consistently set a wonderful example.

Visitors regularly comment on the excellent manners, positive attitudes and respectful conduct of our children, and it is a pleasure to see them living out our school values each day.

By following The Trawden 5, our children help make Trawden Forest Primary School a happy, successful and welcoming place for everyone, truly demonstrating what it means to be a **Trawden STAR: Successful, Trustworthy, Adaptable and Remarkable.**





# OPEN DAY

We are holding an open day on **Tuesday 6th October 2026** and on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November** for prospective parents.

If you are you looking for a school for your child to start in September 2027, or you know someone who is, please come and look round our wonderful school.

We have got several slots available throughout the day for a tour of our fabulous school with Mrs Stinchon, the Headteacher.

The slots are 9:30am or 11:00am or 1:30pm or 4:00 pm  
So please just call our school office now on 01282 865242 to book a slot on our open day!

Or if you cannot make it on our open day please call our office to book in on an alternative day to suit you.

Primary School Admissions are now open!  
Are you looking for a school for your child to start in September 2027? Parents/carers applying for their children's primary school place must fill in the online form by Friday 15th January 2027

Follow the link below to apply:  
<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/starting-primary-school/>



**SCHOOL  
ADMISSIONS  
PRIMARY  
EAST**

**Do you have a child starting primary school in September 2027 and living in Lancashire?**

**Closing date: 15 January 2027**

You must apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

Apply for a school place now by scanning the QR code or visit [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, please check the guidance on our website, or call 01254 220747.

**Have your say**

Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit [www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces) and click 'school admission policies'.

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# Parent Mail

As you know, many of our letters, messages and important updates are sent via the ParentMail app.

ParentMail is our main method of communication and is used to share school news, newsletters, trip information, club bookings, Parents' Evening appointments, lunch payments and other important reminders.

Effective communication between home and school is vital in ensuring that your child has the best possible experience at Trawden Forest Primary School.

We work hard to keep parents informed, but this can only happen if families are able to access and regularly check their ParentMail account. Missing messages can sometimes mean missing important information, deadlines or opportunities for your child.

If you are experiencing any difficulties accessing your ParentMail account, receiving notifications or using any of the app's features, we hope the guidance below will help.

If you continue to experience problems, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, who will be happy to assist.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain strong communication between home and school. Together, we can ensure that every family stays informed and connected. 🧩 🏠 ❤️



## Not getting ParentMail messages?

— Quick checks for parents and carers —

If important school messages are not coming through, these steps may help.

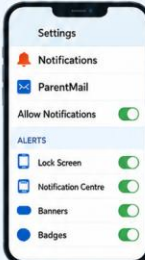
### 1. Check ParentMail settings



- 1 Open the ParentMail app
- 2 Tap the 3-line menu
- 3 Tap your profile
- 4 Tap "Email Preferences"
- 5 Turn on "Always Receive an Email"
- 6 Check your email address is correct

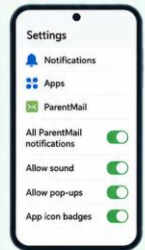
1 If this is off, messages may go to the app only instead of your email.

### 2. Apple devices (iPhone / iPad)



- 1 Open "Settings"
- 2 Tap "Notifications"
- 3 Tap "ParentMail"
- 4 Turn "Allow Notifications" on
- 5 Turn on Lock Screen, Notification Centre, Banners and Badges
- 6 Check Focus or Do Not Disturb is not muting alerts

### 3. Android devices



- 1 Open "Settings"
- 2 Tap "Notifications"
- 3 Tap "App notifications" or "Apps"
- 4 Tap "ParentMail"
- 5 Turn notifications on
- 6 Allow sound, pop-ups and app icon badges where available
- 7 Check Do Not Disturb or Battery Saver is not blocking alerts

### 4. Also check



Look in your junk or spam folder



Make sure the ParentMail app is up to date



Open the app regularly so it can sync



If messages still do not arrive, contact the school office so we can check the details linked to your account

1 Menu names may vary slightly depending on your phone or tablet.



## Need help?

Please contact the school office.





# Join our School lottery



Did you know you can support our school and be in with a chance of winning some fantastic prizes – all for just £1 a week?

💰 40p from every £1 ticket comes directly to our school, helping us raise valuable funds to provide extra opportunities and resources for our children.

🎉 There's a guaranteed winner from our school every week! 📺 Plus, you could win the £25,000 jackpot!

📺 BONUS! Tickets also give you the chance to enter the current Autumn Super Draw, where you could win an iPhone 18 Pro Max 512GB!

The draw takes place every Saturday, so why not join in? And please share the lottery with grandparents, relatives and friends too – the more supporters we have, the more we can raise for our children. 💙

📱 Join our school lottery here:  
[Support Trawden Forest Primary School when you play Your School Lottery - Your School Lottery](#)  
£1 a week. A chance to win. Regular funds raised for our school. 🌟

# Guide Dogs

## A Huge Thank You to Guide Dogs

We would like to say a huge **thank you to the wonderful volunteers from Guide Dogs** who recently visited our school, along with their very special four-legged guests.

The children learnt so much about the incredible work Guide Dogs do to support people with sight loss, as well as how guide dogs are trained and the important role they play in helping people live independently.

Year 4 were also lucky enough to take part in a fantastic hands-on session, exploring some of the equipment and strategies used by people with a vision impairment. It was a memorable experience for everyone involved and we are very grateful to the volunteers for giving up their time to visit us.

If you would like to support the amazing work of Guide Dogs, you can find out more about making a donation here:

**Donate to Guide Dogs:**

<https://www.guidedogs.org.uk/how-you-can-help/donating/>

Every donation helps Guide Dogs continue their vital work supporting people with sight loss across the UK.

**Thank you again to everyone at Guide Dogs for such a brilliant visit!**





# High School Open Days for Year 6

**If your child is in Year 6 now, you will need to apply for a secondary school place by Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2026.**

You will need to apply on-line via LCC for them to be allocated a secondary school place for September 2027.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/starting-secondary-school/>

We know that many of you have already visited Park High, Primet Academy, St Christopher's and West Craven's Open Evenings, the last one is Fisher More's which is on the 8<sup>th</sup> October 5pm – 7pm.



**SCHOOL  
ADMISSIONS  
SECONDARY  
EAST**

**Do you have a child starting  
secondary school in September 2027  
and living in Lancashire?**

**Closing date: 31 October 2026**

You must apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school.

Apply for a school place now by scanning  
the QR code or visit [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)



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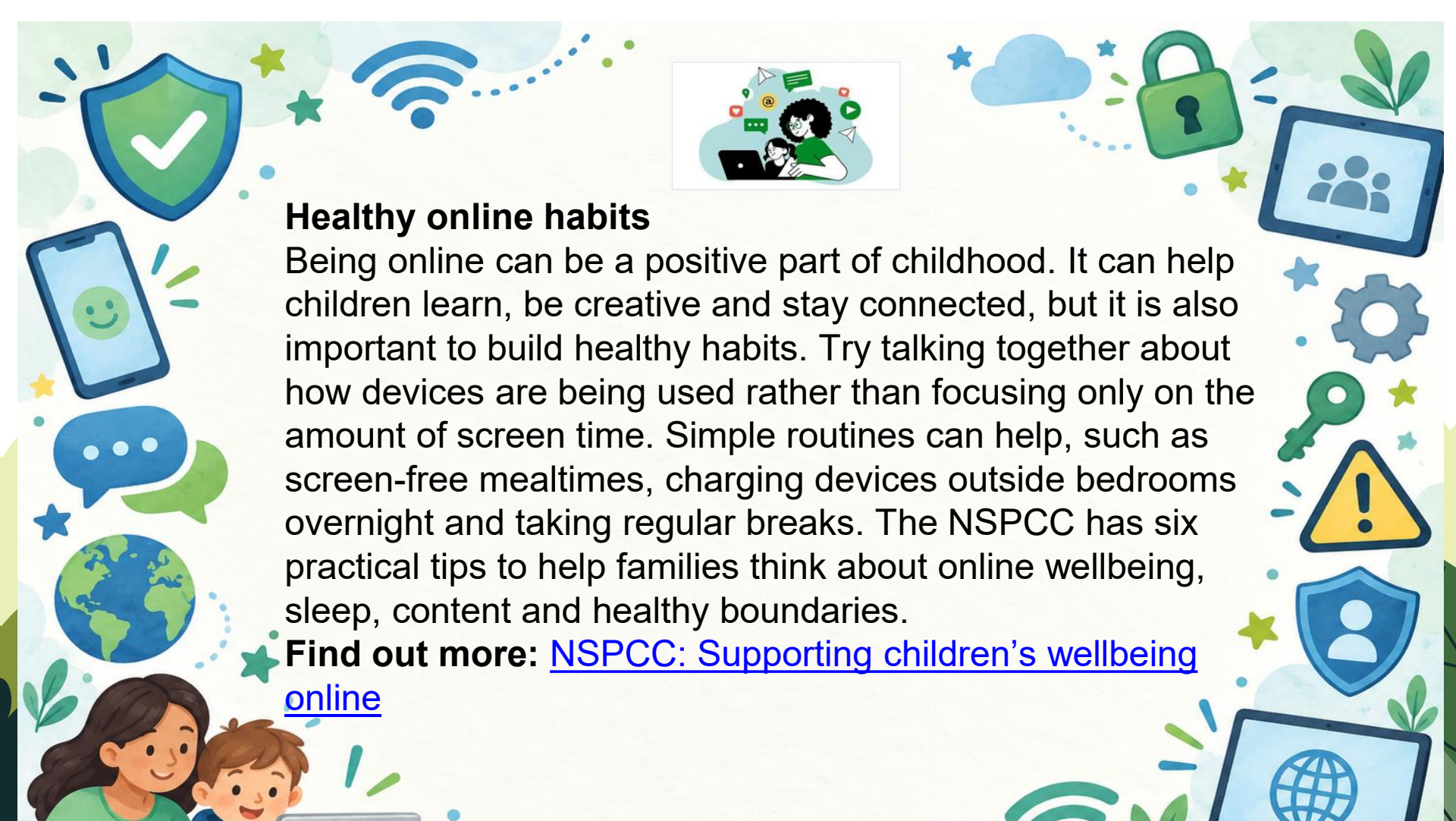
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Council**





## Healthy online habits

Being online can be a positive part of childhood. It can help children learn, be creative and stay connected, but it is also important to build healthy habits. Try talking together about how devices are being used rather than focusing only on the amount of screen time. Simple routines can help, such as screen-free mealtimes, charging devices outside bedrooms overnight and taking regular breaks. The NSPCC has six practical tips to help families think about online wellbeing, sleep, content and healthy boundaries.

**Find out more:** [NSPCC: Supporting children's wellbeing online](#)

# Jump into your holiday

Where fun meets peace of mind — our holiday clubs provide a safe, supportive, and nurturing environment for every child.

**Trawden Forest  
Primary School**

**26th - 30th October  
09:00 - 15:30**

Early Drop & Late Pick Up available



Book at [edstart.org.uk](http://edstart.org.uk)

Follow @edstartsports

# HOLIDAY CLUB — HALF TERM

**October Half-Term Sports Club is back!**

- Monday 26th - Friday 30th October
- 9:00am - 3:30pm (full school day)
- Early drop-off and late pick-up available upon request
- At Trawden Forest Primary School

Early Bird Offer!

Book now and receive the special early-bird price of just £16 per child, per day!

Children will enjoy a range of fun, active sessions in a safe, supportive and nurturing environment, led by fully qualified EdStart staff.

Activities include:

- Football
- Multi Sports
- Dance
- Team Games and more!

What children need to bring:

Packed lunch and snack

- Water bottle
- Suitable clothing and footwear for physical activity

**For more information or to book: [burnley@edstart.org.uk](mailto:burnley@edstart.org.uk)**

Children from local primary schools are welcome.

Don't miss out on this fantastic half-term opportunity to keep active, make new friends and have fun!

Book your place today!

## What a line-up...

**26th-30th Oct  
Trawden Forest Primary School**

- **Multi Sports**  
Dodgeball, Boxing, Basketball, Cricket and more!
- **Football Club**  
Passing, Shooting, Dribbling and Scoring Goals!
- **Dance**  
Street Dance, Sequences, Performances & more!
- **JAGTAG - American Football**  
Enjoy even more American Football through our JAGTAG sessions

All staff are:  
• DBS checked  
• First Aid trained  
• Safeguarded

For more information, please email  
[burnley@edstart.org.uk](mailto:burnley@edstart.org.uk)



Scan to book online

Book at [edstart.org.uk](http://edstart.org.uk)

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# Thank you! And Keep Up To Date



Thank you very much to Mrs Oakley for kindly donating her lottery winnings back to school!

## Keeping Up to Date

There is always something exciting happening at Trawden Forest Primary School, and we love sharing our children's achievements, learning experiences and special events with our families.

We encourage all parents and carers to regularly visit our school website and follow our Facebook and Instagram pages to keep up to date with the amazing things taking place across school.

From classroom learning and Forest School adventures to sporting successes, educational visits, celebrations and important announcements, our online platforms provide a wonderful window into school life. They are a fantastic way to see our children in action, celebrate their achievements and discover the wide range of opportunities available to them.

 Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/trawdenforestprimaryschool>

 Follow us on Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/trawdenforestprimaryschool>

 Visit our website: <https://www.trawden.lancs.sch.uk>



By keeping an eye on our website, Facebook and Instagram pages, you'll never miss out on the wonderful things happening at Trawden Forest Primary School. 🌳 ⭐ 📖 ❤️



# Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November** – Open Day - If you have or know someone who has a child due to start primary school in September 2026 come and visit us on one of the dates to see what wonderful things we do! Ring the school office to book a slot.

- **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October** - Forest School Open Day Session 10am-11am on our school field for prospective parents
- **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October** – Parents Evening – book your slot on Parentmail.
- **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October** – individual photo day for all children – perfect for Christmas presents
- **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – PTFA Halloween School Disco – more details to follow.
- **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** - finish for ½ term
- **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** – start school doors open at 8:45am
- **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November** – Y5 trip to Museum of Lancashire WW2
- **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November** – History Man Y1 and Y4
- **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November** – Remembrance Assembly 9.10am led by Y5 (parents of Y5 children welcome)

