



Please find below our latest news of events and things going on in school. If you can't find the answers you are looking for, please don't hesitate to get in touch through the School Office!



Collective Worship

During the first half of the summer term, we will be delving into the Christian value of truthfulness. Christians believe that truth is revealed in the Bible and supremely in the person and life of Christ. Through learning more about the teachings of Jesus, our children will have an insight into the nature of God and the way in which He means us to live. We will also continue to learn our central Bible verse: "We love because God first loved us."

Arrival to School

Children are to arrive to school **via the bottom playground gate**, not via the main entrance. Please ensure that your child has arrived to school before the bottom playground gate locks at 8:55am.



Here is a list of the upcoming events:

- 15 May Class 3 & 4 Cake Sale
- 24 May 100 Club £25 Draw
- 12 June EYFS Cake Sale
- End of June FOBLES Summer Fair (TBC)

Don't forget to buy your number!



Going Paperless!

We are exploring ways of reducing paper letters and forms and are now using ParentPay more frequently.

We advise that you regularly check your ParentPay accounts! We are also trialling the use of ParentPay for our afterschool club signup. This goes live today and is first come, first served. Please choose one or two clubs to allow space for everyone.



Uniform and Jewellery

We have seen an increase in children wearing trainers, having long hair down and wearing large earrings. Please abide by our school rules:

- Black school shoes (not trainers)
- Small stud earrings (4mm – 5mm)
- Long hair tied up when in school



Year 3 Bushcraft Days

Our Year 3 children will be participating in their Outdoor Adventure Bushcraft Days on 2 and 3 May. They will experience canoeing on the canal as well as survival and orienteering skills in Thwaite Brow Woods. The activities will be led, in small groups, by Mr Haworth and Phil Longbottom of Big Adventure.

Walk to School Initiative

We have launched the WOW Walk to School initiative with our children and are conducting a daily survey to learn how children travel to school. At present, we are encouraging children to walk, scoot, cycle or park and stride to school at least once a week. We continue to encourage parents to park near the church and **avoid parking on double yellow lines**. The Parking Enforcement Team have attended on 19 occasions since January and issued 15 penalty notices for double yellow line infringements.



Class Photographs

Tiny Pixels will be visiting our school on Wednesday 17 April to take class photographs. Please ensure that your child is dressed in full uniform and is wearing plain socks!



Our Brilliant Bay Project

During the summer term, the whole school will be taking part in a joint project based around our local area. This unit of work will incorporate lots of curriculum areas, with a focus on art and performance. If you have access to any photographs of Morecambe, Morecambe Bay or Bolton-le-Sands from years ago to present day, or historical maps of Bolton-le-Sands, we would love to see them.



Absence and Holidays

As per our Attendance Policy, family holidays are **not** routinely authorised and any unauthorised absence of **5 days or more will result in the penalty notice procedures being processed**. To help avoid a penalty notice, we strongly encourage parents to book family holidays out of term time, to avoid dental and medical appointments being booked in school time and to ensure that your child is punctual in their arrival to school. If your child does require time out of school, our 'Application for Leave of Absence' forms are available on the website. Please complete these thoroughly and provide a minimum of 14 days' notice.

Dates for your Diary

Tue 16 Apr	LKS2 Swimming commences Primary School Offers Issued Tag Rugby @ BLA
Wed 17 Apr	Tiny Pixels (class photographs) visit Rainbow Class Dry Swim Session EYFS Parents' Evening FOBLES Meeting in school
Thu 18 Apr	Rainbow Class start swimming Year 5 & 6 Netball @ LMC
Fri 19 Apr	Development Athletics Team at LMC
Sat 20 Apr	Easter Fields Football Competition 10am Messy Church
Mon 22 Apr	Football League Competition @ BLA
Wed 24 Apr	UKS2 Victorian Day
Thu 2 May	Year 3 Bushcraft Day (Groups 1 and 2) Isle of Man Parents Evening 5.30pm
Fri 3 May	Year 3 Bushcraft Day (Groups 3 and 4)
Sun 12 May	9:15am Second Sunday Service
Mon 13 May	Y6 SATS WEEK Y6 Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation Exam 4:30pm Curriculum Committee Meeting
Tue 14 May	Y6 Reading Exam
Wed 15 May	Y6 Arithmetic Exam Y6 Maths Reasoning Paper 1 Exam Class 3 & 4 Cake Sale
Thu 16 May	Y6 Maths Reasoning Paper 2 Exam
Fri 17 May	Year 4 Girls' Golf @ Heysham
Sat 18 May	10am Messy Church
Mon 20 May	5-year-olds Dental Survey 4:30pm Resources Committee Meeting
Wed 22 May	Sports Day
Fri 24 May	£25 100 Club Draw School Closes for Half Term
Mon 3 Jun	INSET DAY
Tue 4 Jun	School Reopens
Thu 6 Jun	Coniston Residential Parents Meeting 5.30pm
Sun 8 Jun	9:15am Second Sunday Service
Wed 12 Jun	EYFS Cake Sale
Thu 13 Jun	Year 5 & 6 Netball
Sat 15 Jun	10am Messy Church
Mon 17 Jun	Y6 Isle of Man Residential
Thu 20 Jun	QES Induction Evening for Sept 2024 starters
Wed 26 Jun	Ripley Transition Day
Mon 1 Jul	QES Transition Day 4 :30pm Full Governors Meeting
Wed 10 Jul	End of Year Reports sent home
Thu 11 Jul	Year 5 Coniston Residential
Fri 12 Jul	Year 5 Coniston Residential
Sun 14 Jul	9:15am Second Sunday Service
Fri 19 Jul	School Closes

We experience issues brought into school relating to unkind and inappropriate WhatsApp messages sent via WhatsApp groups out of school hours. WhatsApp has a 16+ age restriction to protect vulnerable younger children – we strongly advise parents to regularly monitor their child's activity and talk to children about the dangers of using WhatsApp and the importance to **stop and think** before posting or forwarding anything.

School Dinner Money

The Local Authority have advised schools to make an increase to the daily school meal charge from £2.50 to **£2.70**. We are postponing this increase until **September 2024**. Therefore, please be aware that if your child is currently in Year 2, from September you will have to pay £2.70 per day for a school meal. If you believe your child is eligible for **free school meals**, please go to the Lancashire County Council website: [Free school meals and pupil premium](#)

Swimming



Classes 6, 7 and 8 will commence swimming sessions on Tuesday 16 April. Rainbow Class will begin their Water Experience sessions at Carnforth Pool on Thursday 18 April. Please ensure that you have made your £15 contribution via ParentPay.



Payments

We continue to experience a significant amount of unpaid monies for school dinners and school trips. Please ensure that you have checked your ParentPay accounts and payments are up-to-date.

Allergies

We have pupils at school with significant allergies to nuts (pistachio, peanut, cashew) and to horse hair. Therefore, we politely ask that nuts are not brought into school as part of your child's packed lunch and if your child attends horse riding lessons, they use a different coat for school.



Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity welcomes all to attend their Sunday services at 10:30am. They also host a mid-week service on Wednesdays at 10am. See our diary dates for Holy Trinity events (in blue). For further information, please email: parishbbsnews@parishbbs.co.uk



Kind regards
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