

Lower Peover CofE Primary School

"Let your light shine, so that others may see the good you do" Matthew 5:16

A place to learn where everyone feels welcome; based on love, wisdom, & respect.



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 1st May 2026



A summary of a busy week in school...

Earlier in the week, Year 3 travelled to Liverpool Museum, completing a workshop and exploring the museum to bring to life their Ancient Egypt topic.

Year 3 also held their class assembly to parents.

Years 3 & 4 cricket team took part in this week's inter-schools tournament at Holmes Chapel, performing excellently and representing school incredibly well.

On Wednesday, Reception, Years 1 & 2 welcomed a special visitor, who shared interactive stories about a chimpanzee named Oo-oo. The session included an introduction to basic sign language to express different emotions, including when feeling sad, happy, scared, hungry, brave & danger.



Year 6 have continued to work hard in their preparation for the upcoming SATs tests.

The last group of Year 5 children completed their bikeability training, that started last week and concluded on Monday, with all children passing the course – well done everyone.

Birthday Cakes, Treats & Snack

To ensure we can control all allergies & intolerances in school, unfortunately we do not permit any form of cake into school for children's birthdays.

If your child wishes to bring in a treat for classmates, only small, multi-pack sized Haribo's are allowed. These will be handed out at the end of the day for the children to take home. Thank you for your co-operation.

Could we also remind all parents that snack items brought in on a Friday for 'treat day' should only be small. Please do not send in large bars or packets of chocolate/crisps – thank you.

SATs Booster Club – Year 6

A reminder that next Tuesday (5th May) will be the last SATs booster session before the tests take place w/c 11th May.

May Half Term Break – Holiday Camp (Tuesday 26th – Friday 29th May inc)

Sports Coaching Group will be running a holiday camp during the May half term break. Bookings can be made via the following link: [Bookings – Sports Coaching Group](#)

| 26TH MAY | 27TH MAY | 28TH MAY | 29TH MAY |
|-----------------|------------|----------|----------|
| MAD SCIENCE DAY | GLADIATORS | FOOTBALL | FOOTBALL |



This year the Scholastic Book Fair will be in school in May. The days below have been allocated, where you can collect your child (and any of their siblings) from their classroom doors at 2:30pm and visit the book fair, which can be accessed from the playground.

Monday 18th May - Reception, Year 1, and siblings (2:30pm - 3:20pm)

Tuesday 19th May - Years 2 & 3 and siblings (2:30pm - 3:20pm)

Wednesday 20th May - Years 4, 5 & 6 and siblings (2:30pm - 3:20pm)

Weather permitting, the book fair will be located on the playground just outside the school hall / DT room playground entrance. If we have wet weather, the fair will be moved inside to the DT room which can also be accessed from the playground.

There will be a whole range of new books of popular children's authors for all the primary age range as well as some funky stationery which is often very popular. Profits will come straight back to school to spend on new classroom books.

Payment at the fair is via a card reader, for contactless payments only, unfortunately, we are unable to accept cash.

Weekly Awards

Children are awarded individual stickers (see below) if they demonstrate any of our values of Love, Wisdom, and Respect, throughout the week. A Vision Star certificate will be handed out by the class ambassadors each week on a Friday afternoon.

'Writer of the Week' selected by each class teacher to children who have demonstrated excellent writing skills during the week.



Writer of the Week

Reception: Blake B

Year 1: Ivaan

Year 2: Grace

Year 3: Amelia

Year 4: Holly S

Year 5: Anna

Year 6: Miles

Vision Stars

Reception: James & Runa

Year 1: Harry

Year 2: Huxley

Year 3: Leo & Thomas

Year 4: Abigail & Oliver W

Year 5: Sophia

Year 6: Phoebe



Reception: 95.0%
 Year 1: 97.5%
 Year 2: 96.3%
 Year 3: 91.3%
 Year 4: 93.4%
 Year 5: 98.5%
 Year 6: 98.1%

Whole School: 95.7%

Holidays during term time: What do the rules mean for me?

As a school, we fully appreciate the financial difficulties some parents face when booking holidays, particularly during school holidays.

However, school is duty bound to comply with the regulations set by the local authority and central government.

A fixed penalty notice (FPN) is a fine which may be issued for taking children out of school during term time for the purpose of leisure or recreation.

From September 2024, the new National Framework for issuing penalty notices has applied.

First Offence

The first time a penalty notice is issued for a term time holiday or irregular attendance, the FPN will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child within 28 days, reducing to £80 per parent per child if paid within 21 days.

Second Offence

(Within 3 years of the first offence)

Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent and the same pupil, within 3 years of the first notice, the second FPN will be charged at:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days (unpaid FPN after 28 days may result in prosecution)

Example: We are a family of 2 children and 2 parents:

| Child 1 | Child 2 | Parent 1 | Parent 2 |
|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| £160 | £160 | £320 | £320 |

The 10-school week period may span different terms or school years (e.g. 2 sessions of unauthorised absence in summer term and a further 8 within the autumn term).

Third Offence

(Within 3 years of the first offence)

The third time that an unauthorised absence occurs for either a term time holiday or irregular attendance, a FPN will not be issued. The case may proceed straight to prosecution/court.

The 3-year period can cover primary and secondary school periods e.g. first absence in Year 5 of primary school and the second absence in Year 7 of secondary school.

Please follow the link for more information:
[School Attendance | Cheshire West and Chester Council](#)

Please be advised that school does not benefit financially from any FPN's issued.



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Spring Ball – Tickets Still Available

There's still time to join us for what promises to be a brilliant evening at our Spring Ball!

If you've been thinking about coming, now's the time to book — it's a great chance to get together with friends and support the school at the same time. Remember, friends and family are welcome to join the party!

Raffle Tickets

Thank you so much for your support so far! We'd love a final push to help maximise funds raised, so please do sell what you can and if you need more tickets, extras are available from the school office. There are plenty of fantastic prizes to be won!

Silent Auction – Open to All This Weekend!

Our Silent Auction will be open to *all parents* over the weekend — so everyone can get involved, even if you're not attending the Ball.

We're just finalising a few more prizes, but highlights will include:

- Signed shirts from Manchester City and Manchester United
- A football boot signed by Lionel Messi
- A private dinner party with your own chef
- ...and many more exciting lots!

Keep an eye out for details on how to bid — we hope as many families as possible will take part.

Instagram: Friends of Lower Peover School Facebook: Lower Peover Primary School Mums email: flpscommittee@gmail.com



To comply with our risk assessment, all children must wear appropriate outdoor clothes (long sleeve tops & long trousers/leggings – no football kits) and hair tied up. As the weather gets colder over the coming months, please ensure their outdoor clothes are warm, or they have several layers to put on.

Please ensure the children have a spare pair of shoes to change into after their session in the woods. This will ensure mud & dirt is not walked through school. Even in dry weather, there are some areas of the wood that do not get a lot of sunlight, so will be continually damp or wet.

The office will call home to request a spare pair of shoes are brought in if applicable.

If incorrect clothing is worn or brought in, unfortunately, children will be unable to take part in the session.

Slot 1 commences at approx. 9am / Slot 2 commences at approx. 10.50am

Friday 8th May – **Year 2** (Slot 1) / **Year 3** (Slot 2)

Friday 15th May – **Year 6** (post SATs bonus session)

Friday 22nd May – **Year 1** (Slot 1) / **Reception** (Slot 2)

Friday 5th June – **Year 5** (Slot 1) / **Year 3** (Slot 2)

Friday 12th June – No Forest School



Collective Worship

Following last week's focus on our value *LOVE*, this week class worship has been 'Showing *RESEPECT* each and every day.

Last week, we focussed on the value of *LOVE* and revisiting our class agreement. This week we are focussing on the *RESEPECT* part.

Linking this to the Bible, Jesus taught us to show respect to everyone and making sure no one was pushed aside or considered not important. Just like in the story of Jesus and the Children (Mark 10:13-16)

Discussion activities held during Tuesday & Thursday class worship...

Discussion activity Tuesday

We show RESEPECT each and every day

How does Jesus teach us to show respect each and every day?
How does Jesus treat people?
Who did he show respect to?
How did he make people feel welcome and included?
Can you think of any other Bible stories where he shows respect?

Discussion activity Tuesday

We show RESEPECT each and every day

1. What does RESEPECT look like in our classroom?
2. Can you think of an action you or someone else did recently that showed respect?
3. Is there anything we need to work on, to show more respect?

On **Thursday**, we will look at the agreement in more detail. Looking at the steps we can take to achieve "Respect each and every day"

Discussion activity Thursday

We treat everyone the same

1. How does it feel when people treat you fairly?
2. Is there someone you could include or be kinder to today?
3. How can we make sure no one is left out in our class?

Discussion activity Thursday

We look after things and the world

1. Why is it important to care for our classroom and our belongings?
2. How can small actions help look after the world?
3. What is one way you can take better care of something today?

Discussion activity Thursday

We do not argue or be disrespectful

1. How can we solve problems calmly instead of arguing?
2. What words can we use to show respect when we disagree?
3. What can we do if we start to feel cross or frustrated?

After School Clubs

Summer 1 Half Term 2026 (20.04.26 – 21.05.26 inc)

| Day | Club | No of places | Cost | Staff | Year Group(s) | INFORMATION |
|----------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|--|---|
| Monday | Vocal Coaching Club | | £39 per half term | Mr Stannard | Years 2-6 inclusive (confident Y1 welcome) | Please contact Mr Stannard directly on jstannard@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk |
| Tuesday | SATs Booster | Whole class | n/a | Mr Haslam | Year 6 | LAST CLUB ON TUESDAY 5TH MAY |
| Thursday | Band | | £39 per half term | Mr Stannard | Years 2-6 inclusive | Please contact Mr Stannard directly on jstannard@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk |

Please note – All clubs will commence the first week back after any half term break unless otherwise communicated.

All clubs will run unless you receive a separate communication regarding cancellation



Summer 1 Half Term 2026 (20.04.26 to 22.05.26 inclusive)

| Day | Year Groups | Activity |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Monday | 3 – 6 inclusive | Basketball |
| Tuesday | Rec, 1 & 2 | Multi-Sports |
| Tuesday* | 1 – 6 inclusive | Chess |
| Wednesday | Rec, 1 & 2 | Craft & Jewellery |
| Wednesday | Rec - 3 inc | Tennis |
| Thursday | 1 – 6 inclusive | Cheerleading |
| Friday | All year groups | Football |

To book for Summer 1: <https://sports-coaching-group.classforkids.io/term/1246>

Please note – All clubs will commence the first week back after any half term break unless otherwise communicated.

Summer 2 Half Term 2026 (02.06.26 to 22.07.26 inclusive)

| Day | Year Groups | Activity |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Monday | 3 – 6 inclusive | Athletics |
| Tuesday | Rec, 1 & 2 | Athletics |
| Tuesday | 1 – 6 inclusive | Chess |
| Wednesday | 3 – 6 inclusive | Craft & Jewellery |
| Wednesday | Rec - 3 inclusive | Cricket |
| Thursday | 3– 6 inclusive | Cricket |
| Friday | All year groups | Football |

Booking Link to follow.

Key Dates & Events

Summer 1 Half Term 2026

- Wednesday 6th – Friday 8th May inclusive – Year 4 Residential to Petty Pool Centre
- Friday 8th May – Reception class trip to Tatton Park Farm
- Monday 11th – Thursday 14th May inclusive – Year 6 SATs
- Thursday 21st May – Year 5 class assembly & classroom visit (9am – 10am)
- Friday 22nd May – Reception Parents Stay & Play (2pm onwards)
- Friday 22nd May – Last Day of Term

Summer 2 Half Term 2026

- Monday 1st June – INSET Day
- Tuesday 2nd June – First day of term for children
- Tuesday 9th June – Year 4 Class Trip – Deva Day (Chester)
- Thursday 11th June – Class Photographs & Year 6 Individual Photographs (all children to wear summer uniform)
- Tuesday 16th June – Reception Class – Hearing & Vision test / Year 6 Class – Height & Weight
- Thursday 18th June - Transition Day 1 to Holmes Chapel for Year 6 pupils joining
- Thursday 18th June – Class transition morning (incl. new Rec 2026 intake Group 1).
- Friday 19th June - Transition Day 2 to Holmes Chapel for Year 6 pupils joining
- Friday 26th June - Class transition morning (incl. new Rec 2026 intake Group 2).
- Tuesday 30th June – Year 2 Class trip to Manchester Airport
- Thursday 2nd July – Year 2 Class Assembly & Classroom Visit
- Tuesday 7th July – Reception, Year 1 & 2 Sports Day (AM only).
- Tuesday 7th July – Year 6 Leavers Service – Chester Cathedral (children & staff only)
- Tuesday 9th July – Reception class assembly followed by Stay & Play (9am – 10.30am)
- Tuesday 14th July – Key Stage 2 Sports Day (AM only)
- Tuesday 14th July – Parent Consultation Evening (optional attendance)
- Thursday 16th July – Parent Consultation Evening (optional attendance)
- Tuesday 21st July – Year 6 Leavers Performance – Rehearsal Day (Plumley Village Hall)
- Wednesday 22nd July – Year 6 Leavers Performance (Plumley Village Hall)
- Wednesday 22nd July – Last Day of Term