

Lower Peover C of E Primary School

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



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 16th October 2026



Harvest Festival Service

Thank you to those families who were able to join us in Church this morning for the Key Stage 2 Harvest Festival Service. A huge well done to all children for the wonderful service, led by Year 6 perfectly.

The songs, poems and readings were faultlessly delivered, so thank you to the children for their enthusiasm and hard work in learning all their words and contributions. Thank you also to the staff for preparing the children so well.

Following last week's victory at the tag rugby event, this week saw the Years 5 & 6 teams compete, also in tag rugby. Congratulations to all the children who took part for their 2nd place finish.

October Half Term Holiday Camps

There will be no October half term holiday camps held at school; however, Sports Coaching Group are running clubs at the other local venues detailed below.

VENUES	BOOK NOW!	TIMES AVAILABLE
Sandbach Pear Tree Chelford Worth Weston Farndon Black Firs	 TAX FREE SCHEME AND CHILD CARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED	8:30AM 3:30PM LATE PICK UP TILL 5PM AVAILABLE AT: SANDBACH BOYS SCHOOL PEAR TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL BLACK FIRS PRIMARY SCHOOL

www.sportscachinggroup.co.uk
holidays@sportscachinggroup.co.uk

Families receiving Free School Meals

Support with food during the school holidays through the Crisis and Resilience Fund is now open again for applications. This support is available for £30 per week per school age child that receives income based Free School Meals if families are struggling to meet these additional costs during the school holidays.

This payment will cover the combined October half term and Christmas holidays period of 3 weeks, and therefore if successful, an award of £90 will be given per eligible child, which will be paid via a payment to your bank account.

To apply or find out more details, you can visit
[School Holiday Support Payment | Cheshire West and Chester Council](#)

If you're not in receipt of Free Schools Meals but need help with a sudden financial crisis, you can apply for our Crisis Payment scheme
[Crisis payments | Cheshire West and Chester Council](#)

Please note: this is not for Reception, Y1 & 2 children who receive Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM).

Payment is now made directly from the local authority & school no longer provides vouchers during the holiday periods.



Parent Consultation Evenings – Tuesday 20th October & Thursday 5th November 2026

Next week is our first parent consultation evening of this academic year. School Spider is still live for you to view your appointment times. Please can we request, if you swap appointments with another parent that you inform the office so this information can be passed onto teachers – thank you.

All appointments will take place in the school hall, commencing from 4pm and will be 10 minutes in duration. You are welcome to view your child/children's books or classrooms before or after your appointment. Reception classroom will also be free to visit due to no wraparound care running during the evening. School will be open to visit the classrooms from 3.50pm.

We do ask, if you have one of the last appointment slots, that you view books prior to your appointment. This will allow staff to close school promptly following the completion of all appointments – thank you.

Unfortunately, we are unable to hold multiple appointments for individual children or have appointments on different days. If you require any assistance with booking an appointment, please contact the office.

A reminder that wraparound care WILL NOT be running when we hold parent consultation evenings this academic year.

All children are required to be collected at the normal end of day collection slots
(unless booked into Sport After Club):

There will also be no Lower Peover Band with Mr Stannard on Thursday 5th November.

Only sport after school clubs will run on these dates.

Weekly Awards

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

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



Writer of the week

Reception: Hari

Year 1: Bella C

Year 2: Bruno

Year 3: Neve

Year 4: Marcus

Year 5: Henry

Year 6: Isabella

Vision Stars

Reception: Christopher, Sophie & Harper

Year 1: Charlotte & Rafi

Year 2: Hart

Year 3: Whole Class

Year 4: Maisie

Year 5: Oliver W

Year 6: Arya & Jack H



Reception: 100%

Year 1: 97.1%

Year 2: 98.3%

Year 3: 98.4%

Year 4: 96.6%

Year 5: 99.2%

Year 6: 98.1%

Whole School: 98.3%



To assist getting into school on time, we open our doors at 8.20am giving parents a 30-minute arrival window. Doors close promptly at 8.50am.

Morning registration takes place at 8.50am and learning then starts immediately.

Arriving on time and having the chance to settle into the day supports children in feeling happy and confident in school. We notice that when children arrive late, they are often anxious and take time to settle into the day.

Where children arrive between 8.50am – 9am, they receive a late mark (code L) on the register. If they arrive after 9am, a U code is recorded. The U code reduces the child's overall attendance percentage. E.g. if a child arrives after 9am every day, their attendance percentage for that week would be 50% - even though they had not been absent for all of the mornings.

Low attendance due to persistent late arrival is a cause for concern. Persistent lateness is tracked and action taken to support & improve this is by the school in collaboration with the Education Welfare Service.

L and U Codes are reviewed on a daily and weekly basis to enable us to identify where support or intervention is required to improve punctuality.

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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🍁 Autumn Disco – Friday 16th October 🍁

We're looking forward to welcoming the children later this afternoon.

KS1: 3.20pm - 4.30pm

KS2: 5pm - 6.30pm

Full logistics have been sent out via a separate email. A huge thank you to everyone who has volunteered - your support makes these events possible.

🎄 Festive Season – first look...

Fresh from a brilliant AGM last week, we're delighted to share a first look at the festive fun ahead. Thanks to the ideas and energy of both new and longstanding members, we have a fantastic line-up taking shape.

We also want to pay tribute to our outgoing member, **Emma Fearon**, who has contributed years of dedicated service to FLPS in many different roles. Her commitment has helped shape so many of the experiences our children enjoy. Thank you Emma.

A warm welcome to our new members, **Carina Robinson** and **Joanna Kania**, whose early contributions are already making a positive impact.

Festive dates for your diary

🎄 Christmas cards and gifts 🎁

The first batch of templates featuring your child's design has been sent home. **Order deadline: Wednesday 21 October.** For families still submitting artwork: **Design submission deadline: Friday 23 October.** A second ordering window will follow.

NEW: Festive Sip and Dip 🍷 – Thursday 3rd December - An instructor-led painting evening for parents - a chance to unwind, get creative, and enjoy some seasonal cheer.

🎁 **Christmas Gift Room – Friday 4th December**

🍲 **Food Bank Collection – Friday 11th December**

🎟️ **Christmas Raffle – supporting our trim trail project 🌟**

We're launching a raffle to raise funds for our trim trail - a high-spec, all-weather exercise trail around the school field, giving children a year-round outdoor resource for movement, strength and play.

We need your help! If you or your business could **donate a raffle prize** - large or small, please get in touch flpscommittee@gmail.com

Instagram: Friends of Lower Peover School

Facebook: Lower Peover Primary School Mums

email: flpscommittee@gmail.com

2nd Toft Brownies has spaces for girls aged 7-10 to join their unit. Meeting on a Wednesday, 6.00pm - 7.30pm at St John's Church, Toft, Knutsford.

A fun unit where girls make friends and memories and enjoy a wide variety of activities from crafting, baking, games, observing the universe with High Legh observatory and an annual Chips on The Heath.

To register your interest please contact directly on - 2ndtoftowls@gmail.com





Autumn 1 Half Term 2026 (02.09.26 to 23.10.26 inclusive)

Day	Year Groups	Activity
Monday	3 – 6 inclusive	Basketball
Tuesday	Rec, 1 & 2	FUNDamental Games
Wednesday	Rec, 1 & 2	Craft
Wednesday	1 - 4 inclusive	Girls Football
Thursday	3– 6 inclusive	Football

New booking system now live.

Direct booking link: https://sportscoachinggroup.co.uk/?page_id=3247&service=313

Autumn 2 Half Term 2026 (02.11.26 to 18.12.26 inclusive)

Day	Year Groups	Activity
Monday	3 – 6 inclusive	Hockey
Tuesday	Reception, 1 & 2	Dodgeball
Wednesday	Reception to Year 6 incl.	Craft
Wednesday	Reception to Year 2 incl.	Football
Thursday	3– 6 inclusive	Football
Friday	Reception to Year 6 incl.	Netball

Direct booking link: https://sportscoachinggroup.co.uk/?page_id=3247&location=8

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

Key Dates & Events

Autumn 1 Half Term 2026

- Tuesday 20th October – Open Morning – Session 3 (9.30am – 11am) – No appointment necessary
- Tuesday 20th October – Parent Consultation Evening – Session 1 (4pm – 6.30pm) – **NO WRAPAROUND CARE**
- Wednesday 21st October – Reception Parents Stay & Play (2pm onwards)
- Friday 23rd October – Last Day of Term

Autumn 2 Half Term 2026

- Monday 2nd November – First Day of Term
- Wednesday 4th November – Year 3 Class Workshop – Amazing Light (in school)
- Thursday 5th November – Parent Consultation Evening – Session 2 (4pm – 6.30pm) – **NO WRAPAROUND CARE OR BAND**
- Tuesday 10th November – Open Morning – Session 4 (9.30am – 11am) – No appointment necessary
- Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th November – RSPCA workshops in school – Pet Welfare Them (all year groups)
- Tuesday 1st December – Reception class Christmas Nativity to Parents (school hall 9am) – max 2 family members to attend only
- Monday 7th December – Reception Parents Stay & Play (2pm onwards)
- Wednesday 9th December – Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance to Parents (Year 1 parents only – max 2 family members only)
- Thursday 10th December – Years 1 & 2 Christmas Performance to Parents (Year 2 parents only – max 2 family members only)
- Friday 11th December – Robin Hood Panto in school (KS2 children)
- Tuesday 15th December – KS2 Christmas Service in Church (9am – Years 3 & 4 parents to attend only)
- Thursday 17th December – KS2 Christmas Service in Church (9am – Years 5 & 6 parents to attend only)
- Friday 18th December – Magician for Reception & KS1 children
- Friday 18th December – Last Day of Term