# 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 23rd October 2026***

Part of CDLT Chester Diocesan Learning Trust

Wishing you all a lovely half term break

School re-opens on Monday 2nd November 2026

## 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.




## **The 100 Club**

We have received the vouchers into school, ready for handing out at the end of the Autumn 2 half term. The vouchers are presented at the end of each full term. Thank you to FLPS for funding this and to Richard at Soterios Printing for producing the certificates.

Some children have already been to Mrs Dean to present their 100 stickers.

A reminder the children can present their stickers however they wish, but this does need to be completed at home and not in school.

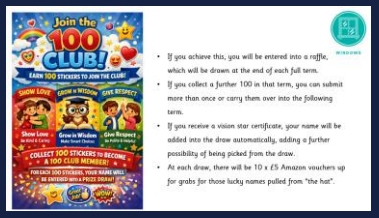
*Children who achieve this will be entered into a raffle, which will be drawn at the end of each full term. If you collect a further 100 in that term, you can submit more than once or carry them over into the following term.*

*If a child receives a vision star certificate, their name will be added into the draw automatically, adding a further possibility of being picked from the draw.*

*At each draw, there will be 10 x £5 Amazon vouchers up for grabs for those lucky names pulled from "the hat".*

*We hope The 100 Club will be a fun and motivating way to celebrate the children demonstrating our school vision and values, and we look forward to seeing lots of children taking part.*



## Parent Consultation Evening – Thursday 5th November 2026

Session 2 of the Autumn parent consultation evenings takes place on the first Thursday after the half term break. 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 as soon as possible 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 5th November.**

**Only the sport after school club will run on this day.**

# 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: Scott**

**Year 2: Rafe**

**Year 3: Nico W**

**Year 4: Bertie**

**Year 5: Viola**

**Year 6: Hannah**

## Vision Stars

**Reception: Frankie & Hari**

**Year 1: Whole Class**

**Year 2: Arthur C & Heidi**

**Year 3: Nico EW**

**Year 4: William**

**Year 5: Lake**

**Year 6: Elara & Elwynn**

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Facebook: @LowerPeoverCfEPrimarySchool

ATTENDANCE MATTERS every school day counts.

*Reception: 98.9%*
*Year 1: 97.1%*
*Year 2: 95.4%*
*Year 3: 96.1%*
*Year 4: 97.0%*
*Year 5: 94.9%*
*Year 6: 98.5%*

*Whole School: 96.9%*




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 charge 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.

FLPS Friends of Lower Peover School

## Autumn disco delivers!

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us and volunteered at last week's Autumn disco. The costume creativity was unrivalled and the children were buzzing! Together we raised **£764.22** - a fantastic result.

## 12 days of Christmas raffle – prize donations needed

We're calling on parents, local businesses and our wider community for prize donations for our Christmas raffle.

Gift vouchers, meals out, family days out, experiences, hampers, gifts or services - every prize helps and directly supports fundraising for the new outdoor trim trail. Our £40,000 target will ensure we can build a trail that's safe, durable and ready to support children for many years to come.

Contact us if you can help flpscommittee@gmail.com

## Match funding – can your employer help?

Many employers offer *match funding*, doubling the money raised for charity. If your workplace has a scheme, or you own/work for a business that does, your support could significantly boost our fundraising for upcoming events and the trim trail project.

Please get in touch flpscommittee@gmail.com

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

Forest School

Unfortunately, there has been a delay in removing the trees, due to the location in a conservation area.

Whilst we wait for approval from the local authority, we are unable to use the woods.

As a result, Forest School will not commence immediately on our return after the half term break.

We are working hard to gain this approval & then arrange the removal of the trees as quickly as possible.

Please check this section in the coming weeks for updates.

We apologise for any disappointment caused.

## Collective Worship

This week we have looked back over our Heroes & Heroines from this half term...







Which Spiritual Ways have we seen this term?




EYFS

Draw someone who helps you.

"They help me because..."

Take your time. There is no "correct" reflection.




KS1

Who is a hero to you and why?

Draw or write one quality they have.

Take your time. There is no "correct" reflection.




LKS2

What makes someone a true hero?

Choose one biblical person and one quality you would like to develop.

Take your time. There is no "correct" reflection.




UKS2

Does being a hero mean being perfect?

Reflect on courage, faith, service or standing up for others.

How does this connect to **letting your light shine?**

Take your time. There is no "correct" reflection.




## Staff Led After School Clubs

### Autumn 2 Half Term 2026 (02.11.26 – 17.12.26 inc)

| Day | Club | Cost | Staff | Year Group(s) | INFORMATION |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Monday | Vocal Coaching Club | £42 per half term | Mr Stannard | Years 2-6 inclusive (confident Y1 welcome) | Please contact Mr Stannard directly on jstannard@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk |
| Wednesday<br><br>Concert Date: Tues 26th Jan 2027 | YV Choir | £20 | Mrs Maddock & Miss Harper | Years 3-6 inclusive | **Club running as follows: 4th 11th 18th & 25th November**<br><br>**NO CLUB RUNNING DURING DECEMBER**<br><br>**Resumes 6th – 20th January 2027** |
| Thursday | Band | £42 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 break unless otherwise communicated.

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

## 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
- 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
- Friday 4th December – Christmas Gift Room (FLPS event)
- 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

### Spring 1 Half Term 2027
- Monday 4th January – INSET DAY
- Tuesday 5th January – First Day of Term
- Tuesday 5th January – Year 3 Swimming Lessons start (every Tuesday for the Spring term)
- Monday 11th to Wednesday 13th January inclusive – Year 6 Residential to Robinwood Centre, Wrexham
- Tuesday 26th January – Young Voices Concert (YV Choir)
- Friday 12th February – Reception Parents Stay & Play (2pm onwards)
- Friday 12th February – Last day of Term