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 13th November 2026

Part of CDLT Chester Diocesan Learning Trust

This week saw the launch of our new lunchtime Prayer Club, led by the Year 6 Ethos Team and Mr Goodwin.

There was a great turnout with 30 children attending. This club will be held every Wednesday lunchtime, in Year 6 classroom, for any child wishing to join in.






Well done to our Year 1 & 2 children who attended the Dance Festival at Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School this week. The children spent time learning a dance routine before performing it to parents and the other schools attending.





Following the information provided in last week's newsletter, we are delighted to give you an update on the funds raised in just one week…

So far, the children have raised over £1,000. Special mention goes to Phoenix (Rec) who completed a 5km hack on his pony Maverick last weekend, and at the last count had raised over £800! A brilliant effort by Phoenix, his mum and those supporting him – a massive thank you!

There is still time to get your donations in…please donate through our school's runPudsey fundraising page:

School Fundraising Page: https://www.runpudsey.co.uk/school/lower-peover-c-of-e-primary-school

Lower Peover School Code: 391A

Once your child is signed up, they can get sponsored by friends and family. The money is added to our school's total, and you can keep track of their fundraising.

Every donation, no matter how small, helps Children in Need continue its important work supporting children and families across the country.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to seeing our pupils get active, challenge themselves and raise money for this wonderful cause.

Collective Worship

Last week, for our Thursday worship, we welcomed visitors from Hartford High School to lead our service.

The School Chaplain, Mr Hepworth accompanied the school's Ethos representatives, who led the worship brilliantly on 1 Corinthians 12. According to that passage of the Bible, the Church is a place where different types of people, with different gifts are united together in Jesus.

Whatever we believe, it's an apt point that Church of England Schools should be places where different people of different skill sets are able to flourish and belong.

End of Day Collection (Playground) - IMPORTANT

A reminder that children should be supervised at all times during afternoon collection on the playground due to car movement. The KS1 play area is not permitted to be used by any child during this time.

Early Collection

We have noticed an increase in the number of children being collected early from school on a Friday, in particular for appointments, trips and holidays, often to avoid the heavier traffic at the end of the day.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of the importance of children attending school for the full school day. Early collections can also cause disruption to lessons, interrupt the flow of teaching and create distractions for both the children leaving and those remaining in the classroom.

We appreciate that appointments and unforeseen circumstances are sometimes unavoidable. However, we kindly ask that, wherever possible, appointments, trips and holidays are arranged outside of school hours.

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: Phoenix

Year 1: Orson

Year 2: Jaxon

Year 3: Lucas

Year 4: Bertie

Year 5: Bethany

Year 6: Delilah

Vision Stars

Reception: Louie D, Indie & Henry J

Year 1: Blake

Year 2: Chloe & Ada

Year 3: Sofia

Year 4: Luke

Year 5: Cora

Year 6: Jack D & Max B

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS every school day counts.

Reception: 97.9%
Year 1: 97.4%
Year 2: 98.3%
Year 3: 99.2%
Year 4: 96.6%
Year 5: 97.7%
Year 6: 96.2%

Whole School: 97.6%



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

🎟️ 12 Days of Christmas Raffle

Our 12 days of Christmas raffle is officially underway, helping us raise funds towards our new trim trail. Tickets will be coming home in school bags today and are also available from the school office.

Completed tickets can be dropped off at our collection point on the loop each morning. For our budding fundraisers, there's a prize for the children who sell the most tickets.

Every ticket sold brings us one step closer to our £40,000 trim trail target, helping to create a safe, durable outdoor resource for the children to enjoy for years to come.

A reminder of the other Christmas activities we have lined up…

🖌️ **Festive Sip & Dip – Thursday 3rd December (7pm – 9.30pm)**
Join us for an instructor-led bauble painting evening at school. Spaces are limited and booking closes on **26th November**.
Tickets from https://forms.gle/cwj8BKsafUuKPzE36

🎁 **Christmas gift room – Friday 4th December**
A chance for children to do some independent Christmas shopping. If you're having a pre-Christmas clear out, please consider donating any new, unused gifts.

🥫 **Food bank collection – Friday 11th December**
Help us spread a little festive kindness. Donation details will be shared nearer the time.

🎅 **Santa's coming! – Friday 18th December**
We're delighted to confirm that Father Christmas will be making a special visit to school.

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Forest School

Unfortunately, we have had no update from the council regarding permission to remove the required trees. As such, we are unable to provide any further details on the start date for Forest School sessions.

We apologise for any disappointment caused.

Collective Worship

This week we have been celebrating Inter-Faith week within our Collective Worship, and took part in a live online assembly during Tuesday's class worship. We have also continued the theme of Miracles: Small Actions, Big Differences during both whole school and class worship.

Wednesday's Worship through song was Power, Faith & Trust remembering the Wedding at Cana.















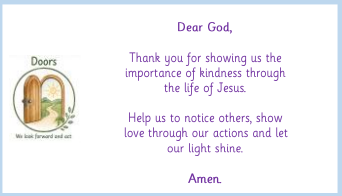



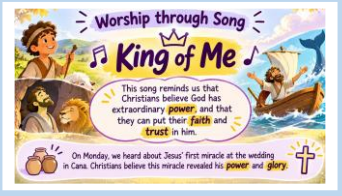

Staff Led After School Clubs

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 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** **NO CLUB RUNNING DURING DECEMBER** **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

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Key Dates & Events

Autumn 2 Half Term 2026

- Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th November – RSPCA workshops in school – Pet Welfare Theme (all year groups)
- Wednesday 18th November – Year 4 Class Trip – Lion Salt Works
- Monday 23rd November – Mini Police Speed Awareness in village (AM)
- Tuesday 1st December – Reception class Christmas Nativity to Parents (school hall 9am) – max 2 family members to attend only
- Thursday 3rd December – Sip & Dip (FLPS event – parents)
- Friday 4th December – Christmas Gift Room (FLPS event)
- Monday 7th December – Reception Parents Stay & Play (2pm onwards)
- Tuesday 8th December – Mini Police Interviews (Y5 applicants) – in school
- 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)
- Friday 11th December – Food Bank Collection (FLPS event)
- 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 (AM)
- Friday 18th December – Surprise Visitor in school! (PM)
- 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