# 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 20th November 2026***

Part of CDLT Chester Diocesan Learning Trust

Well done to our Year 3 & 4 children who represented school at this weeks dance festival at Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School. The children had lots of fun learning and performing their dance routine.

We welcomed a representative from the RSPCA into school earlier this week, where every class completed a workshops on Pet Welfare.

Thank you to the RSPCA for talking to the children. They were thoroughly engaged and loved creating their pledges about keeping their own pets safe & healthy.



## Year 3 – Journalling Bibles

Following the recent presentation of the new Journalling Bibles, it was wonderful to the Year 3 children starting to use them in lessons from last week.



## Young Voices Choir – After School Club

A reminder that next Wednesday (25th November) is the last after school club for YV Choir until after the Christmas break. **There will be no club running during December**. Club will resume on Wednesday 6th January 2027 and run up to and including 20th January 2027.

Please collect your child/children in their normal collection slot unless they are booked into another club – thank you.

The YV concert takes place on Tuesday 26th January 2027. Further details about the logistics for this event will be provided early in the New Year.

## Wraparound Care & Clubs

We would like to encourage all parents/carers to register their children for our All-Stars Afterschool Club. There is no charge to register, and we strongly recommend this is completed, even if you do not usually require afterschool care.

Having your child registered means that, should an unexpected situation arise, such as an emergency, traffic delays or you are running late, your child can be safely accommodated in All Stars until you are able to collect them.

Please be aware that all KS2 non siblings must be collected from the loop by 3:45pm. Any child who has not been collected by this time will be taken to All Stars Afterschool Club to allow school staff to return to their end of day work. A charge will be incurred from All-Stars.

Please book into wraparound care in advance if you know you are going to be late collecting.

If your child is due to be collected in any other designated collection time and you are running late, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can make the appropriate arrangements.

For children attending a sports coaching group or a staff-led afterschool club, the collection time is 4:30pm via the front loop. Please arrive promptly – thank you.

**To register for wraparound care please email admin@lowerpeoverallstars.co.uk**

# 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: Willow**

**Year 1: Rafi**

**Year 2: George**

**Year 3: Elbie**

**Year 4: Leo**

**Year 5: Violet**

**Year 6: Ollie S**

## Vision Stars

**Reception: Carter, Wilder & Sophie**

**Year 1: Amelia**

**Year 2: Asher & Nancy**

**Year 3: Annabelle**

**Year 4: Cooper & Auri**

**Year 5: Charlotte**

**Year 6: Blake S & Sophia**

ATTENDANCE MATTERS every school day counts.

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| *Reception:* | *100%* |
| *Year 1:* | *98.7%* |
| *Year 2:* | *98.8%* |
| *Year 3:* | *98.8%* |
| *Year 4:* | *92.7%* |
| *Year 5:* | *96.5%* |
| *Year 6:* | *98.1%* |

*Whole School: 97.7%*




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

## Christmas Cards & Gifts – Order Window Now Open

The final ordering window is now open to everyone and runs until 30th November. You'll need your child's design code and the organisation code supplied with your order form.

Order from: https://myfundraisinghub.com/UnlockArtworkv2 using the organisation code - 7321C7

## 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

Tickets are now available on ParentPay for the gift room. Tickets are £3 per gift (maximum of 5 per child). Please send unwanted/unused gift donations into school on Wednesday 2nd December and ensure you donate at least as many gifts as tickets you have purchased so we have enough for all children.

## 12 days of Christmas Raffle

We're off to a flying start with our raffle with more brilliant prizes being added daily (scan the QR code on the ticket for the latest list)! Need more tickets? Pick them up from the school office or contact flpscommittee@gmail.com.

Thank you to everyone who has been busy selling tickets so far. Every ticket counts towards making the trim trail a reality for the children.

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







Following last week's announcement on the latest money raised, currently £1,045.00, the Knutsford Guardian have run an article on Phoenix (Rec) who raised over £860 of this total in an incredible fundraising effort.

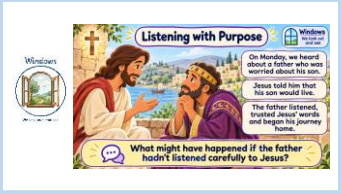
The link is below if you haven't seen the article…
https://www.knutsfordguardian.co.uk/news/26740075.tiny-boy-big-heart-completes-children-need-challenge/

Thank you to the other families who also donated.

# Collective Worship

This week during Worship our focus has been 'Listening with Purpose' and 'Why Do Our Actions Matter?' Anti-Bullying week has been incorporated throughout our Worship this week, and the children have been completing tasks and discussing how unkind words and actions can affect others.

We have also launched our new student role of Worship Ambassadors…every week, each class chooses a Worship Ambassador to represent their class and demonstrate our school values of Love, Wisdom & Respect









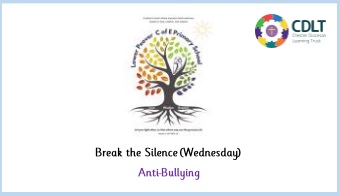



















# Staff Led After School Clubs

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

| Day | Club | Cost | Staff | Year Group(s) | INFORMATION |
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| 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 – **CANCELLED FOR REMAINDER OF AUT 2 DUE TO LOW NUMBERS** | 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.

**Clubs for Spring 1 half term 2027 will be communicated in next week's newsletter**

# Key Dates & Events

### Autumn 2 Half Term 2026

- 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