

# Newsletter

24.01.25



It was lovely to see parents and children sharing books in the Library on Thursday after school. Two Year 6 librarians were available to scan books in and out as well as helping visitors find a good book to borrow. The Library will be open every Thursday after school between 3.30 to 4pm. Please come and visit to choose a book with your child to take home.

## Meet our new kitchen team

Welcome to our new kitchen team: Kayleigh, Lee & Michelle! They are working hard to make delicious meals for children and staff to enjoy.

You can find the menu for next week on page 4.



## Dates for your diary

After School Clubs are on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday this week

### Thu 30th Jan

Library open from 3.30-4pm for children & parents

### Fri 31st Jan

9.10 Celebration Assembly

Y4 swimming session

## Term and Holiday dates for this academic year

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## Colne Junior Council Meeting

This morning, Miss Watson went with the Year 5 and Year 6 School Councillors to the Colne Junior Council Meeting at Colne Town Hall.

Colne Junior Council have been set a Headteachers' Challenge for this academic year. This challenge involves choosing a local charity to support, plan how to support then makes this happen. At the last meeting, the Junior Council decided they wanted to support the Colne Opendoor Centre. Nick from Colne Opendoor joined today's meeting and explained all about the different types of support they provide. The children were really inspired by Nick's input and came up with lots of different ideas for how they can both promote and support the work of Opendoor. At the next meeting, they will be putting together a plan.

Well done to all the Junior Councillors for their input!

Many thanks to Nick for coming and talking to us.



You can find out more about the work of Colne Opendoor on their website

[www.opendoorcentre.org.uk](http://www.opendoorcentre.org.uk)

## Bikeability

Next week on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, Bikeability trainers will be working with Reception children in small groups to teach them how to ride a balance bike.



## Parent Governor Election



We have received three nominations for the two vacant Parent Governor posts. Parents will receive ballot papers and further information about the election on Monday.

# **2025 –2026**

## **Term and Holiday Dates**

### **West Street Community Primary School**

#### **Term and Holiday Pattern 2025 – 2026**

##### **Autumn Term 2025**

**INSET (teacher training days): Monday 1 & Tuesday 2 September**

Re-open to Y1 to Y6 pupils: Wednesday 3 September

Open to Nursery pupils and new YR pupils: Wednesday 3 September

YR part-time for Wednesday 3 & Thursday 4

New YR pupils start full-time: Friday 5 September

Half Term: Monday 27 October - Friday 31 October

**INSET (teacher training day): Monday 3 November**

Re-open to pupils: Tuesday 4 November

Close for Christmas holidays: Friday 19 December at 1.30pm

##### **Spring Term 2026**

Re-open to pupils: Monday 5 January

Half Term: Monday 16 February - Friday 20 February

Re-open to pupils: Monday 23 February

Close for Easter holidays: Friday 27 March at 3.30pm

##### **Summer Term 2026**

Re-open to pupils: Tuesday 13 April

May Day: Monday 4 May

Half Term: Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May

Re-open to pupils: Monday 1 June

Close for Summer holidays after school: Thursday 16 July at 1.30pm

**INSET (teacher training days): Friday 17 July & Monday 20 July**

##### **Autumn Term 2025**

**New academic year starts: no date on LCC website yet**

2026-2027 Term and Holiday pattern will be published for both parents and staff in Autumn Term 2025

## Absence Procedure

When you know your child is off school ill please call and leave us a message. Then we know why your child is not in school.

When your child is not in school, the office staff will:

- send a text message to remind parents that school needs to know why your child is absent.
- make a phone call when they have not yet heard back from you.
- ask Mrs. Peake to make a home visit.

When you receive a text from school you can either reply to the text we have sent you OR just give us a ring.



## Contacting School

The school office is open from 8.30am.

Please leave a message on the answer phone before 8.30am.

A member of staff will phone you back when necessary.

## School Dinners

This is the menu for school lunches next week. We are unable to provide alternative meals.

### Monday

Pork or veg meatballs & rice with sauce, rice & broccoli OR Macaroni cheese with crusty bread & salad OR Jacket potato with fillings & salad

### Tuesday

Cheese & mash pie with veg or baked beans OR Vegetable quesadilla with herby wedges & salad OR Jacket potato with fillings & salad

### Wednesday

Chicken or halal dinner with roast potatoes & veg OR Tomato Mascarpone pasta with herby bread & salad

### Thursday

Burger or halal burger in a bun with wedges, corn & ketchup OR Tomato pasta with dough balls & salad OR Jacket potato with fillings & salad

### Friday

Fish fingers or veggie fingers with chips & peas OR Pizza with chips & veg OR Sandwiches with chips, veggie wedges & dips

Desserts daily:

Cake OR Biscuits OR Fruit OR Yogurt

The cost of school dinners is:

**£2.50 per day**

**OR**

**£12.50 per week**

Parents who pay for their child's school dinners should pay directly to the office staff. Payments can be made either by cash or cheque.



A massive well done and congratulations to our learners and readers of the week!!

GREAT JOB - You have earned 10 Dojo points!



THANK YOU

to all those parents who joined us for this morning's Celebration Assembly to see your child receive an award.

## Readers of the Week

- YR Darcie** for her excellent effort with phonics, especially her great blending
- Y1 Tommy** for reading with more fluency and spotting the tricky split digraphs
- Y2 Jaxson** for continually reading at home and making great progress
- Y3 Samsa** for her positive attitude and growing confidence with reading
- Y4 Drake** for his increased confidence and expression when reading aloud
- Y5 Haajra** for her excellent effort with home reading
- Y6 Lottie** for being confident at highlighting key words in the question and then finding the answer in the text

## Learners of the Week

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| <b>YR Evie</b> for demonstrating her fabulous learning behaviours and being a great role model  | <b>Kayson</b> for working hard in all areas and his increased attention at carpet time               |
| <b>Y1 Hasnain</b> for his improved confidence in both phonics and writing                       | <b>Amelia</b> for having excellent map skills while using an atlas to find countries in the UK       |
| <b>Y2 Harry</b> for working hard in all lessons and doing his best to improve all his work      | <b>Jack</b> for working really hard in maths and keeping going when he finds work challenging        |
| <b>Y3 Cersei</b> for writing a fantastic newspaper report                                       | <b>Olivia</b> for being a superstar in the classroom this week                                       |
| <b>Y4 Lochlan</b> for setting a fantastic example and helping his peers                         | <b>Drake</b> for fantastic computing design work when designing his own website                      |
| <b>Y5 Both Johnjo and Jayden</b> for their super positive week in class                         | <b>Aamina</b> for her phenomenal work in maths   |
| <b>Y6 Katie-Mai</b> for loving writing in English and for creating a fantastic newspaper report | <b>Sabrina</b> for being an amazing friend, always being kind and positive, both in and out of class |