

HOLLY GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

3RD NOVEMBER 2025

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WELCOME
BACK!

Welcome Back!

We hope you've all had a fantastic break! We're so excited to see everyone back as we run up to Christmas.

HELP!

🧚‍♀️ ✨ Thank You! ✨ 🧚‍♂️

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for sponsoring our Danceathon — together we raised an amazing £420.81 for Pendleside Hospice as part of their Strictly Come Dancing 2025 fundraiser. ❤️

To help raise even more, we are holding a raffle and would really appreciate any donations of bottles, chocolates, vouchers or unwanted gifts.

If you're able to support us, please send donations into school by

Friday the 7th of November.

Thank you for your kindness and continued support — it means so much! ❤️

Staff Development



Wednesday 5th November

Attention Autism

Wednesday 12th November

Class Teams/Supervision

Wednesday 19th November

Online Safety/AI

Wednesday 26th November

Christmas Prep

Wednesday 3rd December

Training TBC

Wednesday 10th December

Class Teams

Chill and Chat



We are holding our next Chill and Chat group on

**TUESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER
2025
FROM 1-3PM.**

This is an informal group for our parent's/carer's and you are welcome to attend, have a brew and a chat.

There will be no guest speaker at the group this week; however, it is an opportunity for you to unwind and chat with other parents. Our guest speaker this month is Rachel Shatliff from Parent Carer Forum.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO BRING IN ANY SNACKS TO SHARE.



♥ A Special Day for Minnie! ♥

Minnie had a wonderful time visiting the sensory room at Turf Moor with her dad on Saturday!



Stay and Play



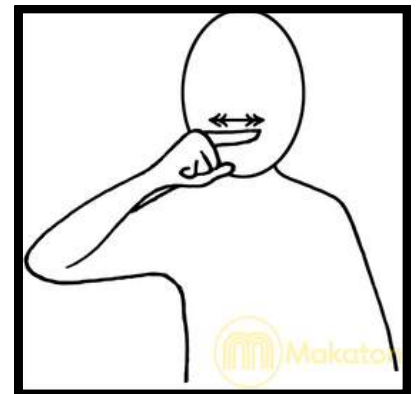
Stay and Play Afternoons – Autumn Term 2025 1.30-2.30pm (unless otherwise stated)

Aisling's Class	Monday 20 th October (1.45pm-2.45pm)	
Katie's Class	Wednesday 15 th October	
Samantha's Class	Thursday 2 nd October	
Adam's Class	Thursday 16 th October	
Josh's Class	Tuesday 7 th October	
Leah's Class	Tuesday 14 th October	
Laura's Class	Thursday 2 nd October	
Courtney's Class	Wednesday 22 nd October	
Julie's Class	Wednesday 22 nd October	
Jenny's Class	Tuesday 14 th October	
Libby's Class	Wednesday 15 th October	
Michael's Class	Wednesday 22 nd October	

Here is a list of each class's stay and play sessions for the Autumn Term. You are very welcome to attend the session of the class your child belongs to.

Sign of the week

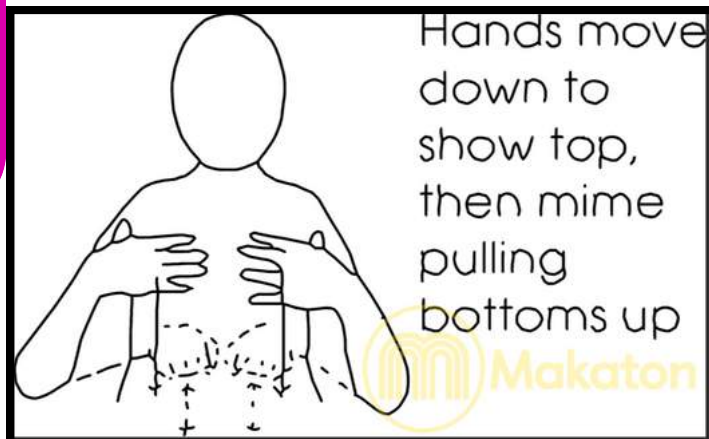
Brushing Teeth



We are putting 2 different Makaton signs every week onto the newsletter. These are our school signs of the week and your child will be practising them in class.

These will give you the opportunity to practise different signs with your child at home.

Pyjamas



Hands move down to show top, then mime pulling bottoms up



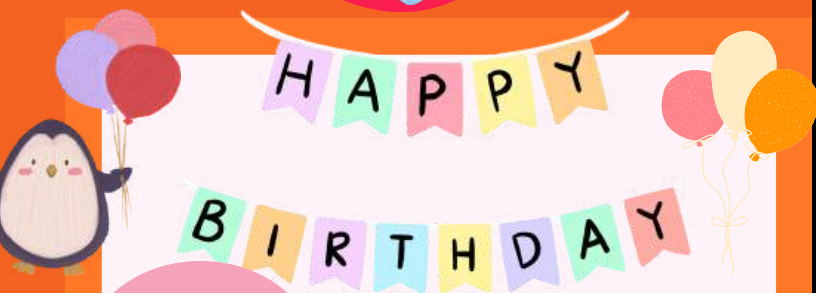
We really welcome any positive comments or suggestions you may have about Holly Grove School. Please click the link to share your views with us. Please note this is for comments and suggestions only and although checked regularly will not be checked daily. Any queries, concerns or complaints should be submitted in the normal way by contacting your child's class teacher, a member of SLT or by following the Procedure for Handling Complaints Policy which can be found on our school website or by requesting a copy from the school office.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTyPviLN3pzurXOKyakrxOY-1clISF5rlyZBfDNltKBx3WfQ/viewform?usp=header>



10TH NOVEMBER	Odd Sock Day
14TH NOVEMBER	Children In Need Holly Grove's Got Talent
21ST NOVEMBER	Non-Uniform Day for Christmas Markets
29TH NOVEMBER	Christmas Markets
11TH DECEMBER	Nativity Play (KS1)
18TH DECEMBER	Christmas Party

You can access all our policies and privacy notices on the school website
www.holly-grove.lancs.sch.uk



Staff

23rd Oct Tom
24th Laura B
4th Kimberley
9th Claire

Children

25TH Oct Yahya
26th Oct Aayan
29th Oct Zulekha
31st Oct Ayesha
1st Nov Hussain



HOLLY GROVE HEROES



Aisling's Class-

Katie's Class -

Samantha's Class-

Leah's Class-
Josh's Class-

Courtney's Class -

Laura's Class -

Julie's Class -

Adam's Class -

Libby's Class -
Jenny's Class-

Michael's Class -



Firework Code



Lancashire Fire
and Rescue Service

Always supervise young children

Light sparklers one at a time

Keep pets indoors

Keep them in a closed box

Follow all instructions carefully

Stand well back

DO's

&

Don'ts

Never return to a lit firework

Don't give sparklers to under 5's

Don't set fireworks off after 11pm

Never put them in your pocket

Never throw them

For more information visit:

www.lancsfirerescue.org.uk/bonfires-and-fireworks.aspx



BE A HOLLY GROVE HERO



HERE

EVERYDAY

READY

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Greatest chance of success

Greatest chance of success

On time
everyday

0 days of
learning lost

5 minutes
late daily

3 days of
learning lost

10 minutes
late daily

6 $\frac{1}{2}$ days of
learning lost

15 minutes
late daily

10 days of
learning lost

20 minutes
late daily

13 days of
learning lost

25 minutes
late daily

19 days of
learning lost

0 days
absence

190 days in
school

100%
attendance

10 days
absence

180 days in
school

95%
attendance

19 days
absence

171 days in
school

90%
attendance

29 days
absence

161 days in
school

85%
attendance

38 days
absence

152 days in
school

80%
attendance

47 days
absence

143 days in
school

75%
attendance



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Punctuality- The school day starts at 8.50 am and finishes at 3.15 pm except on Wednesday where we finish at 2.45 pm.

If your child arrives at school after registration closes (9.20 am), your child will be marked as an unauthorised absence for that morning.

Medical Evidence- If your child is absent from school and is at risk of becoming persistently absent (at risk of falling below 90%) you may be required to provide medical evidence for your child absences.

Absences- If your child is going to be absent from school, you must contact the school office before 9.30 am to provide a reason for absence

Fines/Holidays- Holidays intermtime are not authorised by the school. Unauthorised absence due to holidays may result in a fine being issued by Lancashire County Council.

Support- If you need support with your child's attendance, please reach out to a member of the Family Support Team.





Holly Grove School

FESTIVE MARKETS & 20TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

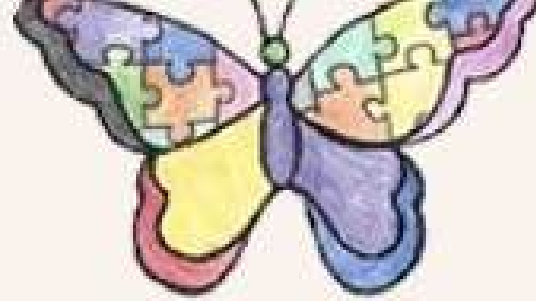
Festive Stalls
Santa's Grotto
Face Painting
Bouncy Castle
Hot Food & Drink
Games and Raffles
Tombolas plus
Special Appearance from The Grinch!

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Saturday 29th
November
12pm-3pm

Burnley Campus,
Barden Lane,
Burnley, Bb10 1JD





THE GEORGIA FOURIE

Butterfly Ball 2026

Do you know anyone – or any business – who would love to support our charity by donating a raffle prize for the Butterfly Ball 2026? 💜 Prizes could be vouchers, hampers, beauty items, or bottles – big or small, every donation makes a difference!

If you can help, please drop prizes at the school office or contact Courtney Fourie.

Thank you for helping us make next year's ball truly magical! 🌸

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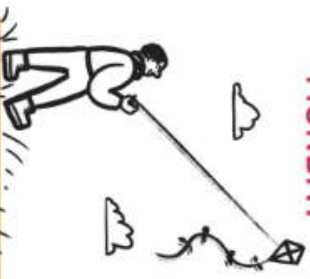
Save the Date

The Georgia Fourie Butterfly Ball

6TH JUNE 2026 - 7PM
BURNLEY FOOTBALL CLUB

New Ways November 2025

MONDAY



3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you

TUESDAY



4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community

WEDNESDAY



5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel

THURSDAY



6 Try out a new way of being physically active

FRIDAY



7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire

SATURDAY

1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month

SUNDAY

2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way

8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week

9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"

10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea

11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way

12 Find out something new about someone you care about

13 Do something playful outdoors - walk, run, explore, relax

14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about

15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."

16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective

17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself

18 Connect with someone from a different generation

19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site

20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before

21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them

22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them

23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love

24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently

25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way

26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show

27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it

28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card

29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen

30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together



Feel Good Fridays

@ Holly Grove

Relaxed • Friendly • Supportive •
By Parents for Parents

Come and join us for a warm drink, a chat, and a chance to share stories, worries, tips, and laughter with other Holly Grove parents.

Location:

Upper School Dinner Hall

(Enter via the Main Turning Circle entrance)

Time: 9 am - 11 am

Dates for 2025-2026:

3rd October

7th November

5th December

9th January

6th February

6th March

17th April

1st May

5th June

3rd July





Pupil Holiday Dates – 2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025

Re-open		Wednesday 3 September 2025
Half Term	5 days	Monday 27 October Friday 31 October (inclusive)
Re-open		Monday 3 November

Christmas - Closure after school on Friday 19 December 2025

Spring Term 2026

Re-open		Monday 5th January 2026
Half Term	5 days	Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February (inclusive)
Re-open		Tuesday 24 February

Easter - Closure after school on Friday 27 March 2026

Summer Term 2026

Re-open		Monday 13 April 2026
May Day	1 day	Monday 4 May
Half Term	5 days	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May (inclusive)
Re-open		Tuesday 2 June

Summer - Closure after school on Friday 17 July 2026