

HOLLY GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



13TH FEBRUARY 2026



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Save
THE
Date

On Friday the 20th March it is Comic Relief/Red Nose Day, children are welcome and encouraged to wear the colour red/non-uniform in exchange for a suggested donation of £1.00.

All proceeds will go towards supporting the Comic Relief charity and the amazing work they do.



COMIC
RELIEF

RED
NOSE
DAY

Staff Development



Wednesday 11th March

Julia Dyer

Wednesday 18th March

Workshops/Evidence Me



Chill and Chat



We are holding our next Chill and Chat group on

**TUESDAY 24TH MARCH 2026
FROM 1-3 PM**

This month's speaker will be **Rebecca from SENIASS. SENIASS is the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information, Advice and Support Service, providing free, impartial, and confidential support to children, young people, and their families.**

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO BRING IN ANY SNACKS TO SHARE.



We're pleased to let families know that a buggy is available to loan here at school. This buggy was kindly donated by one of our parents, and we're very grateful for their generosity. If you would like to book the buggy to loan, please contact c.mills@holly-grove.lancs.sch.uk

Stay and Play

Please see attached a list of each class' stay and play sessions for the Spring Term. You are very welcome to attend the session of the class your child belongs to. Our focus this term is 'Sensory Stories' to fit in with our Year of Reading initiative.

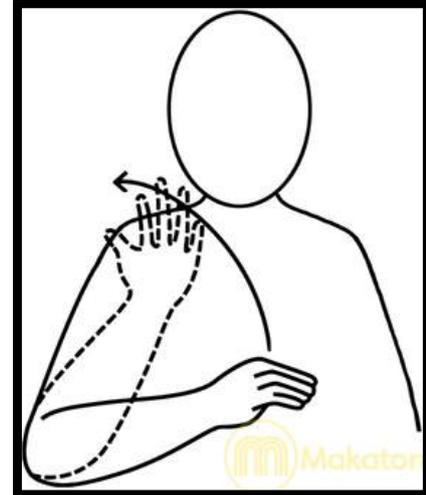
Aisling's Class	25.3.26 at 1.30pm
Katie's Class	11.3.26 at 1.30pm
Samantha's Class	26.3.26 at 1.30pm
Josh's Class	3.3.26 at 1.30pm
Leah's Class	17.3.26 at 1.30pm
Laura's Class	19.3.26 at 2pm
Courtney's Class	11.2.26 at 1.30pm
Adam's Class	12.3.26 at 1.30pm
Julie's Class	11.3.26 at 1.30pm
Jenny's Class	11.3.26 at 2pm
Libby's Class	17.3.26 at 1.30pm
Michael's Class	24.3.26 at 1.30pm

Sign's of the week

RAMADAN



SUNRISE



We are delighted to invite all parents and carers to our
Easter Extravaganza Coffee Afternoon on:

Monday 23rd March 2026
1:30 pm
Holly Grove Auditorium

Come along for a warm drink, a chat, and plenty of
Easter fun!

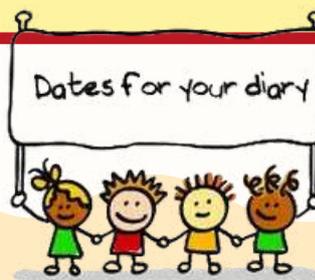
We will also be holding an Easter Egg Raffle, and any
donations of Easter eggs would be greatly appreciated.
Your support helps make the event extra special for our
pupils.

We can't wait to see you there! 🐣❤️



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>



20TH MARCH
RED NOSE DAY/ COMIC RELIEF

30TH MARCH - 10TH APRIL
EASTER HOLIDAYS

13TH APRIL
SCHOOL REOPENS

You can access all our policies and privacy notices on the school website
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Staff

Children

12th Ashley



HOLLY GROVE HEROES



Aisling's Class-Sophia

Katie's Class -Alex

Samantha's Class-Nasir

Leah's Class-Tia

Josh's Class- Nukhba

Courtney's Class -Ayaan

Laura's Class - Anabaya

Julie's Class - Essa

Adam's Class - Oliver

Libby's Class -Sofia

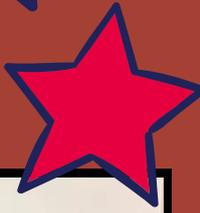
Jenny's Class- Eesa

Michael's Class- Mia

WELCOME TO THE
CIRCUS



Science week



**SO
MUCH
FUN**



Holly Grove School

PARENT BOOK SWAP

Bring a book – Take a book!

**Swap, share, and discover great
reads with other parents!**

at
**Holly Grove
School**

**Tuesday 21st April 2026
10am-11am**

Refreshments will be provided



CYGNET Autism Training



The Cygnet programme was developed by Barnardo's with the support of parents and/or care givers, FOR parents and care givers!

The course aims to create a supportive environment of carers who may be experiencing similar challenges, and to present information on autism that provides opportunities for you to consider and adapt and/or reinforce the way you support your child's needs.

Content:

- Session 1 - Introduction
- Session 2 - Overview
- Session 3 - Thinking & Sensory
- Session 4 - Social Interaction & Communication
- Session 5 - Understanding and supporting behaviour
- Session 6 - Analysing behaviour

Burnley Block:
Wednesdays
12:30 - 3:30pm

Down Town Burnley
Charter Walk Shopping Centre
(above New Look)
Burnley,
BB11 1AE

15th April 2026
22nd April 2026
29th April 2026
6th May 2026
13th May 2026
27th May 2026

More locations
to be announced.
Call us to book!



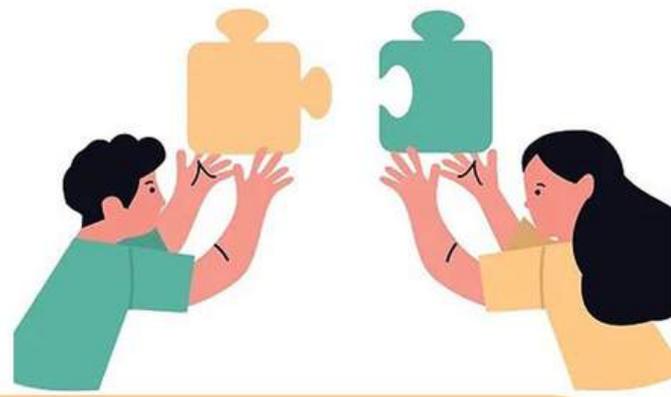
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**Do you care for
someone with
Neurodiversity?**



Monthly Peer Support Groups:

Hyndburn:
1st Thursday of the month
10am - 12 noon
Carers Link Accrington
Community Facility,
Blackburn Road, BB5 1LE

Burnley:
1st Friday of the month
10am - 12 noon
Downtown, Charter Walk
Shopping Centre (2nd floor),
BB11 1PY

Ribble Valley:
1st Wednesday of the month
1pm - 2.30pm
Clitheroe Family Hub,
Wesleyan Row,
Parson Lane, BB7 2JY

Pendle:
2nd Friday of the month
12.30pm - 2.30pm
Colne Library, 47-55
Market Street, BB8 0AP
(starting September '25)

Rossendale (starting November '25):
2nd Thursday of the month 10am - 12noon
The Maden Centre, Rochdale Rd, Bacup, OL13 9NZ



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ASD Support
Officer is here
to help!**

BARNARDO'S

Changing childhoods.
Changing lives.



**Carers Link
Lancashire**

IMPROVING LIFE FOR CARERS



March 2026

6-week Autism Cygnet courses run regularly



Anxiety / Behaviour
FH Shadsworth,
Blackburn
10am - 12pm



online
Understanding Autism
6pm - 7:30pm



online
Who to turn to for Support?
10am - 11:30am



Online
Autism & Sensory Processing
10:30am - 12:30pm



online
Parent Support
10:30am - 12pm



Autism + Education
Basically Cheer, Burnley
10am - 12pm



Early Years Support Session
(0-11y)
FH New Era, Accrington
10am - 12pm



Parent Support
FH Livesey, Blackburn
10am - 11:30am



online
Parent Support
6pm - 7:30pm



Teenage Years
FH New Era, Accrington
10am - 12pm

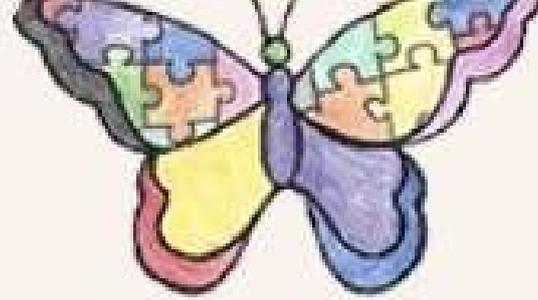


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for more information
and self-refer

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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! 🌸

06.06.26

Save the Date

The Georgia Fourie Butterfly Ball

6TH JUNE 2026 - 7PM
BURNLEY FOOTBALL CLUB



MEET THE

EASTER BUNNY

www.bookwhen.com/leapinglizardsplay

GAMES | MUSIC | FOOD | FUN

SEND SESSION

£15 per child, includes food & drink, face painting, meet & greet with the Easter bunny, an egg hunt, an Easter Egg to take home plus lots of games and activities.

Lunch with the Easter Bunny 4th April 2pm-4pm



Mindful March 2026

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness

2 Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world

3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive

4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words

5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

6 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

18 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult

23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted

26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today

27 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are

28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible

29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice

30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling

31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life



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