



Forest School Diaries:

Red & White Classes: Looked for all the different shades of green in the forest using our forest school ID cards, drank hot chocolate and enjoyed a story, then the children enjoyed 15 minutes of free play before the end of the session.

Nursery: Spent their Forest School session planting sun flower seeds, the pots have been placed outside nursery so that we can watch them grow and see them changing over the coming weeks. The children also enjoyed singing Forest School songs.

Pink Class: Listened to the 'Stickman' story and made a Stickman to take home.

Green Class: Went on a minibeast hunt, had a hot chocolate, played in the forest & did a quiet reflection.



On Wednesday, Lucy-Rose and Ava-Grace represented Tonacliffe at a Rossendale School Sports Partnership gymnastics competition for children who practice gymnastics outside of school. They each competed in floor and vault. The girls were up against some very tough competition as they were competing against other children of all abilities in Years 5 & 6.

Although they didn't come in the top three, the girls thoroughly enjoyed representing our school in a sport that they dedicate several hours a week to. Well done girls!



Free school Meal Entitlement

Over the Summer holidays, Lancashire County Council will be checking FSM eligibility. Any children no longer eligible will be cancelled and parents informed. **LCC already have all the data needed to do the checks for existing free school meals claims so do not require any applications from these families.**

Any parents who are not currently receiving free school meals but are in receipt of universal credit need to apply online on the website here:

[Free school meals - Lancashire County Council](#)

You can apply now for *expanded* free school meals, which will start from 1st September 2026.

Water safety – Important message for parents and schools





Following recent tragic incidents involving water, this is an important reminder of how quickly situations can change. As the weather gets warmer, more children and young people are spending time around rivers, lakes and the coast, increasing the risk of harm.

Even on hot days, open water can be dangerously cold, and conditions are often unpredictable.

Children and young people may not always recognise these risks, so it's vital that key safety messages are shared.

Key water safety messages

Please help reinforce the following advice with children and young people:

-  **Stop and Think:** Check for hidden hazards such as deep water, currents and cold temperatures
-  **Stay Together:** Never go into or near water alone; choose areas with lifeguards where possible
-  **Call 999 in an emergency:** Ask for the Coastguard at the coast, or Fire & Rescue if you are inland
-  **Float** – If you fall in, stay calm, float on your back and control your breathing



Cold water shock

Many recent incidents have involved cold water. Even strong swimmers can be affected. Sudden immersion can cause panic, loss of breathing control and reduced ability to swim.

If you fall into water:

- Try to stay calm: The effects of cold water shock usually pass within the first minute
- Float on your back to regain control of your breathing
- Once calm, call for help or swim to safety if possible

A Life-saving skill: Float to Live

Teaching children how to float could save a life:

- Tilt your head back with ears in the water
- Relax and breathe slowly
- Move hands and feet gently to stay afloat

In an emergency:



STAR PUPILS

Nursery: Harry H.
 Green Class: Ronnie B.
 Pink Class: Arlo B.
 White Class: Albie M.
 Red Class: Benny F.
 Yellow Class: Niamh M.
 Orange Class : Harriett C.
 Lime Class: Frankie M.
 Turquoise Class: David L. & Harley S.
 Gold Class: Oliver P.
 Purple Class: Jacob B.

HOUSE POINTS

Ash: 384

Oak: 332

Hazel: 379

Willow: 318

Well done

to the Ash Team who are this week's winners!

ATTENDANCE

We aim for at least 97% attendance each week; here are the attendance figures for last week:

	Yellow Class:	97.9%
Green Class: 73%	Orange Class:	90.1%
Pink Class: 90.5%	Lime Class:	96.3%
White Class: 86.5%	Turquoise Class:	95.2%
Red Class: 89.3%	Gold Class:	93.9%
	Purple Class:	90.7%

Our overall school attendance figure for week ending

Friday 5th May is: 90.1%

FRIENDSHIP &

KINDNESS AWARD

Louie B.

For being very kind and supportive when comforting a child who was upset .





Dates for your diary

Please remember to visit our website for long term dates. Thank you.

June:

Monday 15th June: Reception & Year 6 heights and weights.

Tuesday 16th June: Reception children transition visit– 2:15-3:15pm.

Wednesday 17th June: Nursery Father's Day Forest School – 2–3:30pm– parents welcome.

Thursday 18th June: Purple Class library visit.

Friday 19th June: Green Class Father's Day Forest School –10am-12noon– parents welcome.

Friday 19th June: Pink Class Father's Day Forest school – 10am-12noon– parents welcome.

Monday 22nd June: Green & Pink Classes visit to St Bart's church.

Tuesday 23rd June: Lime Class parents' assembly– parents welcome. 9am prompt.

Thursday 25th June: Gold Class library visit– CANCELLED.

Friday 26th June: Nursery settling in session– 10-11am.

Friday 26th June: Reception transition visit– 2:15-3:15pm.

Tuesday 30th June: Rocksteady concert– parents welcome. 2:30pm prompt.

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July:

Thursday 2nd July: Rocksteady concert– parents welcome. **9:15am prompt.**

Thursday 2nd July: Whitworth High welcome day & evening.

Friday 3rd July: Nursery settling in session– 10-11am.

Friday 3rd July: Orange Class library visit.

Friday 3rd July: Reception Forest School transition session– 2:15-3:15pm.

Wednesday 1st July: Meet the teacher: **KS1: 4:30-5:15pm**

LKS2: 5:15-6pm.

UKS2: 6-6:45pm.

Monday 6th July: Year 5/6 end of year performance– parents welcome. **2pm prompt.**

Tuesday 7th July: Pink Class library visit.

Tuesday 7th July: Year 3/4 performance– parents welcome. **9:15am prompt.**

Tuesday 7th July: Year 1/2 performance– parents welcome. **2:30pm prompt.**

Tuesday 7th July: Year 5/6 performance– parents welcome. **6pm prompt.**

Wednesday 8th July: Year 1/2 performance– parents welcome. **9:15am prompt.**

Wednesday 8th July: Year 3/4 performance– parents welcome. **2:30pm prompt.**

Thursday 9th July: Proposed Year 1/2 trip to St Anne's– children arrive at school 8:30am.

Monday 13th July: Year 6 bowling trip.

Tuesday 14th July: Non-uniform day.

Tuesday 14th July: Year 6 party day.

Tuesday 14th July: Leavers disco.

Thursday 16th July: Leavers assembly– parents welcome– **9am prompt.**

Thursday 16th July: Last day of Summer 2.

School Term Dates 2025/2026

September 2025							October 2025							November 2025							December 2025						
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	Training days (children do not attend school)
	Holidays

School Term Dates 2026/2027

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- Holiday
- Training Day