



BENJAMIN HARGREAVES NEWSLETTER

25.09.26

1. SOME WEBSITE UPDATES

School Policies

We have updated several school policies. They are available on our school website for you to access. The policies that have been created and/or updated are:

Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy | Mobile and Smart Technology Policy
Monitoring and Filtering Policy | Searching Devices Procedure | AI Policy
Online Safety Policy | Collective Worship | RE Policy | Spirituality Policy
Conduct Policy | Allergy Awareness and Anaphylaxis Policy

You can find all these policies, along with our other policies, on our website.

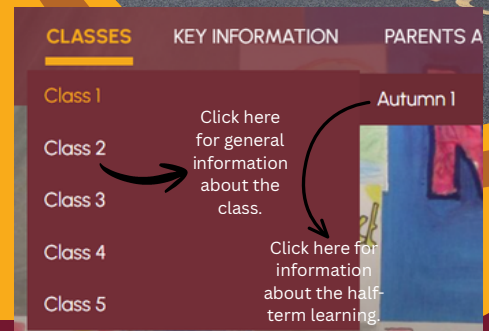
[Click here to view our policy page.](#)

School Prospectus

Our school prospectus has been updated. You can find it by clicking [here](#).

Class Pages

We have changed how we will let you know what your children will be learning each half-term. We will no longer send out a PDF document each half-term. This information will now be available on our school website. Each class has a general information page (click your child's class to view it). Click the class, then the half-term, to see information about the learning taking place in the classroom.



2. QUICK INFORMATION

- Free School Meal reminder: If you are on Universal Credit, apply for Free School Meals regardless of your child's age (even if they are in Reception, Year 1, or Year 2). Apply [here](#). It takes up to 5 minutes. If you need any help, come and speak to us, and we will help you complete the online form.
- Pupil Leadership: On Monday, children will present themselves to their class to tell their peers why they would be a good representative for their chosen leadership role. The children will vote on Tuesday afternoon. If your child has not applied for a role yet, please encourage them to do so!
- THANK YOU!! The sponsorship money count is finished! Drum roll, please! We are super excited to announce that our Pupil Parliament Obstacle Fun Run has raised £1669.74!!!! YAY! WHOOP! Thank you to everyone who donated to help us purchase resources for the field. The Pupil Parliament children from last academic year will meet to start putting together a shopping list! THANK YOU!!
- It's our HARVEST WORSHIP on Thursday, 1st October. Please send in some donations for Accrington Foodbank. See poster on page 2.

3. DATES FOR THE DIARY

AUTUMN 1 DATES

Tuesday 29th September: Polling Station Day for Pupil Leadership
Thursday 1st October: Class 3's Harvest Worship. 9 am. St. Paul's Church. (All welcome)
WB 5th October: School's Open Week for new families to look around
Thursday 15th October: PHOTO DAY - Sibling and Individual photos. (Siblings from 8:30)
Thursday 15th October: Class 5's sponsored swim for their class charity

LONGER TERM DATES:

Monday 16th November & Monday 22nd March - Parents' Evening
Thursday 1st October - Class 3 Harvest Worship - 9 am
Wednesday 11th November - Class 5 - Remembrance Service
Tuesday 15th December - Class 1 & 2 Nativity - 9:15 am / Class 4 Christingle - 2:30 pm
Friday 5th March - Class 1 Mother's Day celebration - 2:30 pm
Wednesday 24th March - Class 2 Easter Worship - 9 am
Thursday 17th June - Father's Day Worship - Class 1 - 9 am
Friday 25th June - Sports Day
Tuesday 29th June - LTT Dance Festival (LATE NIGHT)
Tuesday 20th July - Year 6 Leavers Production - 6 pm
Wednesday 21st July - Year 6 Leavers Worship - 9:30 am

4. CONDUCT

I am sure most families will now know our four school rules:

- We listen to each other
- We follow safe instructions straight away
- We treat each other as we want to be treated
- We celebrate our differences

Please continue to promote these rules with your children.

Staff will follow our Conduct Policy with children who do not follow our school rules.

In class, we will give children a verbal reminder. After that, children will receive a series of Reflect and Resets (R&Rs). We hope a child will reset their conduct choices and it will not escalate. Children who have multiple R&Rs will receive a letter stating they are at risk of Tier 2.

We will review class conduct logs next week.

Please review our conduct policy [here](#).



HARVEST

DONATIONS WANTED!

Your donations help local people and families in need.

Thank you for your support!



MOST NEEDED FOOD ITEMS



TINNED MEAT AND FISH:

Such as tuna, chicken, ham, or meatballs, which provide important protein.



TINNED FRUIT AND VEGETABLES:

Carrots, potatoes, tomatoes, and fruit canned in juice rather than syrup.



TINNED MEALS:

Ready meals like chili, curry, stew, macaroni cheese, or tinned soups.



CARBOHYDRATES:

Rice, dried pasta, instant noodles, and tinned spaghetti.



BREAKFAST ITEMS:

Porridge oats, cereals (ideally low sugar and high fibre), jam, and peanut butter.



DRINKS AND LONG-LIFE ITEMS:

UHT (long-life) milk, long-life fruit juice or squash, tea bags, and instant coffee.



NON-FOOD ESSENTIALS



TOILETRIES:

Deodorant, shampoo, soap bars, shower gel, toilet paper, and dental care (toothpaste and toothbrushes).



SANITARY PRODUCTS:

Sanitary towels and tampons.



HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS:

Laundry detergent tabs, washing-up liquid, and surface spray.



BABY SUPPLIES:

Large-size nappies and baby formula (check local guidelines, as some centres do not accept formula).



ITEMS TO AVOID



OUT-OF-DATE, DAMAGED, OR OPENED ITEMS:

Food banks cannot accept products past their use-by or best-before date.



FRESH OR HOMEMADE GOODS:

Perishable items and home-grown or home-cooked produce are generally not accepted due to food safety rules.



ALCOHOL AND MEDICINES:

Restricted items like medication, alcohol, and dangerous household chemicals are strictly rejected.

Together, we can make a difference in our community.



Please bring your Harvest donations by
Thursday, 1st October.

Football Message

We wanted to share a quick message regarding football at playtimes.

We want all children to be able to enjoy playing football with their friends. Recently, however, we have noticed some occasions where football has become a little too rough or where the behaviour and comments surrounding the game have not met our expectations.

It is important to remember that football at school is football for pleasure at playtimes. It is not played to a competitive standard. There will naturally be a wide variety of abilities and skills on the pitch, with some children having greater experience or confidence than others. This is something we want children to understand and respect.

We have spoken with the children to remind everyone about our expectations for appropriate conduct, including when playing football. This includes:

- Playing safely and fairly, without rough or overly physical play.
- Respecting other children's different levels of ability.
- Accepting that mistakes, missed passes, goals or decisions will happen.
- Speaking kindly and respectfully to others, even when something has not gone as expected.
- Not engaging in inappropriate comments or conversations when something does not go well on the pitch.
- Remembering that the purpose of school football is to have fun, exercise and enjoy playing with friends.

We will monitor football over the coming weeks as the children settle back into school. We will continue to pattern-spot any concerns and, where we identify individual children or groups who are not meeting our expectations, we will follow our school conduct policy appropriately.

We would really appreciate your support in reinforcing this message at home.

Please remind your child about our expectations for safe, respectful and enjoyable school football, helping us to ensure that everyone can take part positively.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

James Kewley
Headteacher



Picture News



Talk with your child about...



Let's look at this week's story

Nepal has announced that its wild tiger population has more than tripled, rising from 121 tigers in 2010, to 429 today. Officials say the turnaround is the result of years of protected wildlife corridors and local communities working hand-in-hand with conservationists to protect the big cats. With tiger numbers now increasing, more encounters between tigers and nearby villages are leaving experts asking how people and wildlife can safely share the same land going forward.

Reflection



Through listening, understanding and working together, we can help people and wildlife share the same home safely.

British Values

I Really Do Matter!

Individual Liberty

Rule of Law

Democracy

Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Which British value do you think this week's story highlights?

It highlights **Rule of Law** because protected areas help keep people and wildlife safe, and allow them to share the land.

Mutual Respect and Tolerance is shown by respecting the needs of both people and wildlife.

Do you agree with either person, or think something different?

Protected Characteristics

Which protected characteristic do you think this week's story highlights?

This story links to **religion or belief** because many people believe we should care for the natural world and respect all living things.

Share your thoughts. Do you agree?

 Sex	 Who People Love	 Age
 Disability	 Being Yourself	 Marriage and Civil Partnership
 Pregnancy and Maternity	 Race	 Religion or Belief

UN Rights of the Child

All children have the right to an education that helps them to live peacefully and protect the natural environment.

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AIMS OF EDUCATION

Prayer

Dear God,

Thank You for the wonderful world You have created.

Help us to care for the people, animals and places we share.

Please guide us to make kind and fair choices towards all Your creatures.

Amen.

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Vision link

Discuss...



• What do you think about the quote below?

“We have to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves.”

Peter Singer – philosopher



**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
PRIMARY
EAST**

Do you have a child starting primary school in September 2027 and living in Lancashire?

Closing date: 15 January 2027

You must apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

Apply for a school place now by scanning the QR code or visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools

If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, please check the guidance on our website, or call 01254 220747.

Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces and click 'school admission policies'.

Have your say

lancashire.gov.uk >>>>

**Lancashire
County Council**



**Benjamin Hargreaves C.E.
Primary School**

Do you have a child due to start primary school in September 2027?

COME & SEE US

OCTOBER

Mon 5TH 09:30-11:30 & 13:30-15:00

Tue 6TH 09:30-11:30, 13:30-15:00 & 17:30-19:00

Wed 7TH 09:30-11:30 & 13:30-15:00

Thu 8TH 09:30-11:30 & 13:30-15:00

Fri 9TH 09:30-11:30 & 13:30-15:00

Drop-in within the advertised times.

OPEN WEEK!

www.benjamin.lancsngfl.ac.uk
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@BenjaminHargreavesCEPrimary

Open Evenings

The Hollins:

~~24.09.26~~

Mount Carmel:

~~24.09.26~~

St. Christopher's:

29.09.26

Rhyddings:

01.10.26

Accrington Academy:

08.10.29



**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
SECONDARY
EAST**

Do you have a child starting secondary school in September 2027 and living in Lancashire?

Closing date: 31 October 2026

You must apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school.

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**Volunteer Service Providing
Pre - Loved School Uniforms & Shoes
for FREE at your Local Methodist Church**



**You can also drop off out grown uniform
or come and swap for a bigger size,
at any of the participating hubs.**



Rhyddings Methodist Church

Chapel St, Oswaldtwistle BB5 3EP
For Parking Access: Watson St. BB5 3HH



Cambridge St Methodist Church

32 Lodge St, Accrington, BB5 6EH



Antley Methodist Church

Blackburn Rd , Accrington, BB5 ODE

**For more information including dates, times and which hub
supports your school:**



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**Or Scan
QR
CODE**



Email: hyndburnuniformhubs@hotmail.com

Together We Thrive

formerly Families First

A welcoming drop-in dedicated
to prioritizing YOU.

We cater for everyone, from the youngest to the oldest,
whether you're single or part of a
multi-generational family



HELP FOR ALL

Support and Advice for All Ages

Join us for a Community drop in!

Come along for **FREE** support and the chance to
chat with a range of local services.

Date: 1st Monday Of Every Month

Location: Rhyddings Methodist Church

Oswaldtwistle, BB5 3HH Time: 1pm ~ 3pm





Lancashire &
South Cumbria
NHS Foundation Trust

East Lancashire Young People's Mental Health

**Concerned about your Mental Health?
Are you under 18 or concerned about
someone under 18?**

Advice sessions are available on-line via
'Attend Anywhere'

Delivered by CYPMH East

tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT



Enter the word "CYPMH East" as the first name and "drop in" as the
second name followed by your date of birth.

You will then enter our virtual waiting area where we will collect you.

1st - 4th Wednesday of the month

2nd Wednesday of the month

3rd Wednesday of the month

1pm – 3pm

3pm – 5pm

5pm – 7pm