



15 November 2024

Information Update No. 8

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- > **Wednesday 20th November 2:00 - 6:30pm**
Reception Parents' Evening
- > **Tuesday 26th November**
Individual and sibling photos
- > **Tuesday 3rd December**
Year 5 Winter Big Sing Concert at Ormskirk School
All children are attending the day time rehearsal but please consent on Gateway if your child can attend the evening performance.
- > **Wednesday 11th December**
Christmas Lunch
- > **Thursday 12th December 6:00pm**
Reception Nativity
- > **Monday 16th December**
Reception trip to the Pantomime
- > **Thursday 19th December**
End of Autumn Term
- > **Friday 20th December**
INSET Day (School closed)
- > **Friday 7th February**
Year 5/6 Young Voices Concert
If parents wish to attend, they need to buy their tickets from the Young Voices website by the 28th November!

HEADTEACHER UPDATES

The **Osted inspection report** is now published and attached as a PDF of the report. A points about it:



- The phrase "Pupils meet the school's high expectations and achieve well" is the **most important insight** into the standards at school.
- Though not surprised, I was very pleased that children's behaviour and engagement in lessons came out as really good. With all the trips and interesting curriculum we provide it was great to read that the inspector viewed that the children are inspired by their learning.
- It was re assuring that the inspector judged our provision for children with special needs as effective at a time when all schools are having to adapt to the huge increase in special need demands.
- Instead of one or two areas to improve, we only have one area and that is to tweak our action plan so that it more precisely and clearer steps incorporates Early Years (Nursery/Reception).
- We were a little surprised that the key member of staff given a special mention by name has four legs and is focused on food not learning! 😊



Although we have not had a collection in school it is wonderful to see so many children wearing 'Pudsey' merchandise and supporting Children in Need. Mr Clare even wore some ears!

School Kitchen has been inspected and has received a Level 5 Food Hygiene Accreditation.



QUICK IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- **Smoking and vaping are strictly prohibited** on school grounds! Thank you for your cooperation.
- Please do not let young children play in the Reception outdoor learning area while you are waiting to collect Year 1 children.
- Please can parents **label ALL items** of children's uniform as this means we can return lost items to their owners.
- Please note that **payment for a pre-ordered school lunch will not be refunded** if cancelled on the day it is due. The exception is a child's absence due to illness.
- We are a **nut-free school**. Please do not send your children in with nuts or nut products for lunch or break times. We have several children with severe nut allergies in school.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

| Mon 18 Nov | Tue 19 Nov | Wed 20 Nov | Thu 21 Nov | Fri 22 Nov |
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| Lunchtime | | | | |
| Year 3-6 Taekwondo* | | Netball squad development | Year 5-6 Choir | Year 4 Netball |
| Year 3-6 Cross Country | | | | |
| Busy Bees Club Library Club | Busy Bees Club Library Club | | Busy Bees Club Library Club | Busy Bees Club |
| After school | | | | |
| Football Club | Year 1-2 Infant Dance Club | Tennis Club 3:30 – 4:15 | Year 5-6 Athletics | Dodgeball |
| Taekwondo 5:30 – 6:30 | | | Year 1-6 Girl's Football | Year 5-6 Netball |

Year 2 to 6: **Busy Bees Club** is in the hall and is a mixture of board games, Lego, chess and art. Children just drop in.

Meanwhile, **Library Club** is silent reading and some puzzles in the library area.

*Taekwondo is paid for a session at a time. Just send your child in with £5 each week. This is held in the gym.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please see below for information about applying for primary school places. [Online applications](#) are already open. **Don't leave applying until the last minute!**

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY

APPLY NOW!
at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2025

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2025.

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

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

School transport

Need transport to school? Please don't forget to check your eligibility for free transport. Search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.

CLOSING DATE
15 JANUARY 2025

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SWIMMING DAYS

Reception, Year 1 on Wednesdays.

Year 2 on Tuesdays afternoon. Children in 2W will need to be picked up from the swimming pool at the end of the day.

Year 3-4 on Thursday mornings.

All children need a swimming hat (as well as costumes) or they may not be able to swim.

Swim caps can be bought from either office for £5 (cash please).

NEW SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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| 1W – Nevaeh | 3S – Henry | 5W – Luka |
| 1B – Reuben | 3G – Tafara | 5I – Tyron |
| 2W – Emily | 4W – Verity | 6SB – James |
| 2P – Grace | 4C – Evie | 6H – George |

DONATE A CHRISTMAS JUMPER

If you have any child-sized jumpers in wonderful, wearable condition, we would be delighted to receive them. Donated jumpers will be available through Shop Smart (located in the Pupil Office) throughout November and December. Thank you!



LOST PROPERTY

Is your shoe missing its partner, your eyes blinded by the sun or filled with water, your hair in your face or there's no lama for your drama? Well pop into to the Pupil Office and check out lost property...



WINTER BIG SING

Year 5 parents, please follow [this link](#) to book your ticket for the Ormskirk Sings event:

LANCASHIRE MUSIC SERVICE

Lancashire Sings

ORMSKIRK WINTER SING

#WHEREWILLMUSICTAKEYOU

DECEMBER **3RD** 6.00PM

ORMSKIRK SCHOOL

TICKETS **£5.00**

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CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Please book in advance on School Gateway. Choose **Blue** option for Roast Turkey or **Red** option for Roast Vegetarian Sausage. These will be the only options.

CHRISTMAS Lunch.

Traditional Roast Turkey
Chipolata Sausage & Gravy
or
Cranberry Root Roast
Vegetarian Sausage & Gravy
served with
Sage & Onion Stuffing
Roast Potatoes,
Mashed Potatoes
& Seasonal Vegetables

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Festive Dessert

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Break Time

Fun group activities for children and young people with SEND in Lancashire

Don't forget!

Registrations will be open from
21st October 2024
to
12th January 2025

Both new and current members must register!

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