



Larkholme Primary School

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Friday 8th May 2026

Year 6 SATs Week

Year 6 children will begin their SATs on **Monday**. To support a calm and positive start to each day, a shared breakfast will be available for all Year 6 children throughout the week. This provides an opportunity for children to settle in, feel relaxed, and prepare themselves for the day's tests.

Test Schedule

- Monday 11th May — English grammar, punctuation and spelling (Papers 1 and 2)
- Tuesday 12th May — English reading
- Wednesday 13th May — Mathematics (Papers 1 and 2)
- Thursday 14th May — Mathematics (Paper 3)

End-of-Week Celebration

To recognise the hard work and commitment shown by our Year 6 children, we have arranged a celebratory visit from the ice cream van on **Friday 15th May**. In addition, the Year 6 leavers' hoodies have now arrived and will be distributed on the same day.

We wish all our children the very best for the week ahead and are proud of the effort they have shown in preparing for their SATs.



Introducing Frankie – Our Soon-to-Be Therapy Dog

We are pleased to share that Mrs Zak's young cockapoo, **Frankie**, is beginning her training to become a **therapy dog**. Once fully trained, Frankie will spend limited, carefully supervised time in school to support children's wellbeing and help create calm, positive moments in our school environment.

Frankie's involvement will be thoughtfully planned, with clear routines, hygiene measures, and risk assessments in place. There will be no unexpected interactions, and children will only engage with Frankie if it is appropriate for them.

Families with allergies or health concerns can be assured that all needs will be fully considered, with controlled access to spaces and strict cleaning routines. If your child has a relevant medical need, please contact us so we can plan accordingly.





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Summer Raffle Time!

Win a brilliant **swing set** for your garden. Raffle strips are just **£2**, available now through **Monday 18th May**.

Please return your money in a **named envelope** so we can enter you into the draw.



Plant Sale - Raising Funds for OAL

We have courgette and cucumber plants on sale for £1 each. They can be purchased from the polytunnel at breaktime or by finding Mrs Sims.

Outdoor Learning Festival

We would like to inform families that **Friday 19th June is now fully booked**. Limited spaces are still **available for Friday 26th June**.

An adult (or adults) will need to attend with their child. The cost is **£15 per child per session**, and adults can join for free. As we are a cashless school, all payments must be made via **School Money**. Places cannot be reserved and will be allocated on a **first-come, first-served** basis.

Sessions will go ahead even in wet weather, so **waterproofs are recommended**.



PE Uniform Reminder

We are seeing an increase in children coming into school wearing their own clothes on PE days rather than the correct PE uniform. To help maintain consistency and ensure children are dressed safely for physical activity, please make sure your child wears the **school PE kit** on their designated PE days.





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Attendance Expectations

Parents and carers have a legal duty to ensure that their children attend school regularly. As outlined in our **attendance policy**, all absences must be reported to the school **by 9.15am on the first day of absence**.

If your child is absent and we have not heard from you, we will contact you on the first day to request the reason for the absence and to confirm when your child is expected to return. If we are unable to reach you, we will then contact your **emergency contacts** and, if necessary, carry out a home visit. Please be aware that home visits may be unannounced.

For any future planned absences, a **leave of absence form** must be completed. These forms are available from the School Office.

Medical Illness

To help us keep children in school and minimise unnecessary absences, we'd like to clarify our expectations around illness. Children **should only** stay at home for **sickness (vomiting)** or **diarrhoea**. In these cases, the NHS guidance recommends keeping your child off school for **48 hours after the last episode**.

For **common minor illnesses** such as **headaches, coughs, and colds**, children **should still** attend school. If your child becomes unwell during the school day, we will contact you so they can be collected if needed.

Medical Appointments – Advance Notice Required

We kindly remind families that **proof of medical appointments** is required for all absences related to health visits. Wherever possible, please inform the school **in advance** of any scheduled appointments so that attendance records can be updated accurately and arrangements can be made for your child.

Acceptable proof includes **appointment cards, text confirmations** or **letters from healthcare providers**.





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School Meals for Key Stage 2

As a reminder, once children move into **Year 3**, they are **no longer eligible** for Universal Infant Free School Meals. This means that pupils who are **not in receipt of Pupil Premium** will need to pay for their school dinners **from the start of Key Stage 2**.

Families who believe they may be entitled to **Free School Meals** are encouraged to check eligibility and apply as soon as possible, as this may also provide additional funding to support your child in school.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>

Fidget Toys & Pokémon Cards

A reminder to all families that **fidget toys, Pokémon cards**, and similar items should **not be brought into school**. These items can easily become a distraction in class and often lead to disagreements or upset during breaktimes.

If a child requires a fidget tool for an identified learning need, this will be agreed as part of their individual plan.



Mobile Phones – Updated Morning Procedure

To ease the morning congestion at the school office, **after half term children will hand in their mobile phones at the Reflection Room** instead of the office.

We also ask that **mobile phones are put away as soon as children enter the school site**. This helps us keep everyone safe and ensures a smooth start to the school day.

Thank you for your support with this change.





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Celebrating Our Attendance Heroes

Please join us in congratulating our Attendance Heroes from the last three weeks. These children have shown fantastic commitment by coming to school every day, ready to learn and give their best. We're incredibly proud of their effort and dedication.

EYFS – Spencer, John James, Delilah

KS1 – Bill, Hank, Albert, Arthur, Isobel, Isla C

KS2 – Thomas, Phoebe, Layla, Max, Logan C, Maraya, Frankie M, Isla B, Rudi, Abbie, Kamile, Joseph O

Best Attenders



Well done to class **Ash** and **Maple** Class for having the best attendance the last two weeks!!

Remember that we miss you when you are not in school and we love seeing your smiling faces every day.



Across the school we have had **17** children late and **233** minutes lost of learning this week.

Child Places in Each Year



We have places available in the following current year groups: **Reception, Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y6**. If you know anyone who would like a place for their child at Larkholme, please ask them to apply through Lancashire County Council.



Diary Dates

Year 6 SATs week – Monday 11th May until Thursday 14th May

Year 1 Phonics Screening – Wednesday 10th June – Friday 12th June

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check – Wednesday 10th June – Friday 12th June

Maple and Oak Class History Workshop – Monday 15th June





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Juniper Class History Workshop – Tuesday 16th June
Brain Architecture Game - Parent Only – Wednesday 17th June – 2pm
Outdoor Learning Festival – Friday 19th and 26th June – 1.30pm – 3pm
Transition Day – Thursday 2nd July
Hazel Class History Workshop – Friday 3rd July

School closes for Half Term – Friday 22nd May at 3.15pm

School re-opens – Monday 8th June at 8:40am

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Year 5&6 Netball – Monday - 3:15pm – 4pm - currently full
KS2 Boccia – Tuesday – 3.15pm – 4.15pm - currently full (last session Tuesday 12th May)
Year 4 Times Table Club – Tuesday - 3:15pm – 4:15pm – places available (last session Tuesday 19th May)
Year 3&4 Football – Wednesday - 3.15pm – 4.15pm - currently full (last session Wednesday 13th May)
Comp Choir - Wednesday - 3:15pm – 4:15pm
KS1 Multi Skills Club – Thursday - 3.15pm – 4.15pm - currently full (last session Thursday 14th May)

Future Clubs Planned

EYFS and KS1 Craft Club
Year 5&6 Tennis Club

Previous Clubs

KS1 Construction Club
Year 5 Retro Club
KS2 Dodgeball
Year 5&6 Girls Football
Year 4 Karaoke Club
Year 3&4 Running Club
KS2 Multi Sports Club
Year 4,5 & 6 Cheerleading
Phonics Booster Club
Mad Science





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Information and Things to Do

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FLEETWOOD TOWN MULTI-SPORTS CAMP

Tuesday 26th May - Friday 29th May | 9am - 4:30pm

Carleton Green Primary (FY6 7TF)
Full day | £18 per day | 9am - 4:30pm

Chaucer Primary (FY7 6QN)
Full day | £16 per day | 9am - 4:30pm

Fleetwood's Charity School (FY6 0NN)
Full day | £16 per day | 9am - 4:30pm

5-12 Years (4 year olds are eligible for half days AM or PM at half the price!)

- Multisports, Games & Activities
- Fun Competitions Every Day
- Daily Prizes
- Daily Themed Sessions

For more info:
Community@fleetwoodtownfc.com
www.fleetwoodtownfcct.com

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POOLFOOT FARM FOOTBALL CAMP

Tuesday 26th May - Friday 29th May | 9am - 4pm

£16 per day

- Ages 5-13 Years (*half days available for 4 year olds*)
- Football, Games & Activities
- Daily themed sessions & prizes!

Must wear appropriate football clothing:

- Shin Pads
- Suitable footwear for Astroturf
- Water Bottle
- Packed Lunches

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Lets get brushing

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Parents supporting parents

Home-Start's volunteers work alongside families to give compassionate and confidential support, tailored to each family. Our volunteers are trained and given expert support from the local Home-Start in their community.

To find out more about volunteering for Home-Start visit www.homestartbfw.org.uk

We help families from all backgrounds through their most challenging times

To find out more about Home-Start visit www.homestartbfw.org.uk or 01253 728615



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The earliest years make the biggest impact: Home-Start make sure those years count so that no child's future is limited.

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Are you a parent or carer of a child or young person with special educational needs or disabilities?

Join us at one of our

Wyre Family Hub Drop ins

Share your concerns & get answers from:
Lancashire County Council, NHS providers & others.
Also stay updated on what's happening with services

Don't miss out, come along to make your voice heard!

Tuesday 28th Apr 9:30-11:30	No Event in May due to Half Term	Tuesday 23rd Jun 9:30-11:30	No Event in July due to Summer holidays
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@ Fleetwood Library, N Albert St, Fleetwood
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For more information follow LPCF Facebook page



Working alongside families

Being a parent has never been easy. It can be lonely, frustrating, heartbreaking and overwhelming.

Life-changing events can happen to anyone. All parents struggle at a time or another. That is why Home-Start is ready to support families through their toughest times.

Home-Start volunteers support families with individual one-to-one home-visiting and a wide range of targeted support for parents and their children.

Home-Starts work with families experiencing challenges including:

- Mental and physical issues
- Postnatal depression Bereavement
- Financial worries
- Isolation
- Child's behaviour

Just two hours a week can make a big difference to a parent and their children.

We work with families to build on their strengths and give them the support they tell us they need.

Local services

We work with families in a range of ways, and use the approach they think will give them the best support. This includes:

- Home-visiting support
- Family groups
- Running trips and outings

All our services are based around the principal that volunteers offer no judgement, just compassionate, confidential help and support.

"With the support of a Home-Start volunteer, I learned how to interact and play with my son, put boundaries in place, and create a safe and secure home. After Home-Start helped to change my life, I decided I wanted to become a volunteer for the charity".

— Louise

Contact us today to find out more about how Home-Start works with families
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