



Where all our Pupils SHINE

Newsletter – Week 2 Friday 11th September 2026

School Uniform

We are very proud of our school uniform and how smart the children are. We have a second hand uniform which is very well stocked, please speak with a FOFS member if you need any uniform.

Please ensure children are in school shoes and not trainers.

Sometimes children inadvertently pick up the wrong jumpers/cardigans, please check name tags in case you have someone else's!

Please ensure all items are clearly named including shoes!

Phonics Information Evening

All our current Reception and Year 1 parents are invited to a short, informal session on how to support your child with phonics at home. This meeting will take place on Tuesday 15th September 3.30 pm – 4.00 pm. Children will be supervised by staff during this meeting.

Reception Parents

We are also offering a session on Tuesday 22nd September at 9.30 am for Reception Parents only to have a look at phonics in action. Please call in if you can.

Year 2 and Junior Reading Information Session

Year 2 and Junior parents are invited to join us for a short, informal meeting to talk about reading in KS2. This will take place at 3.30 pm – 4.00 pm on **Tuesday 22nd September**. Children will be supervised during this meeting by staff.

Life Education Visit

The Life Education visit will take place on the 24th September 2026. The timetable is as follows:-

Year 3 & 4	It's Great to be Me
Year 5 & 6	Decisions
Year R	All about Me
Y1 & Y2	Feelings

If you wish to attend, the parent/carer session will be held at 09.00 – 09.15 am in the school hall on the morning of the visit.

Water Bottles

We encourage the children to drink **water** throughout the school day **not juice**. Please ensure bottles are named.

Website

Remember to check the website for assembly themes for each term.

Holiday dates are also on the website and a copy of the weekly newsletter.

Celebration Assembly is held on Friday at 3.00 pm parents and families are invited to join us.

Yellow Hoodies

Children can wear their yellow hoodies on Friday's and any external school trips. New Reception and Pre-school children will be provided with a hoodie.

If your child has out grown their hoodie, please return it to Miss Smillie in Class 1.

Dates for the Diary	
September	
15 th	3.30 pm Reception & Year 1 Phonics/Reading Information Session
22 nd	Reception Parents – watch phonics in action – 9.30 am
22 nd	Year 2 and KS2 Reading Information Session
24 th	Life Education Van – Health and Well Being 09.00 – 09.15 Parent/Carer Session
October	
9 th	Harvest Festival 3.00 pm
9 th	Robinwood Meeting 3.30 pm – Pendle Class
16 th	Clougha – Lune Aquaduct Trip – details to follow
19 th	Pendle – Robinwood Residential
20 th	Pendle – Robinwood Residential
21 st	Pendle – Return from Robinwood
22 nd	INSET DAY
23 rd	INSET DAY



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26 th – 30 th	HALF TERM WEEK
November	
2 nd	Re-open School
5 th	Parents Evening
10 th	Nicky Nook Trip Lancaster Castle – details to follow
12 th	Individual Photographs
25 th	Flu Vaccination
December	
2 nd	Vision Screening – Reception Children
14 th	The Dukes Trip – Whole School
16 th	Christmas Performance
17 th	Christingle
18 th	School Christmas Lunch & Party
18 th	CLOSE SCHOOL – NO PM CLUB



OPEN EVENING

Explore Your Child's Future

Thursday 24th September 2026
6:00 PM – 8:30 PM

**GROW**
HEADTEACHER
WELCOME
STUDENT TOURS

**CARE**
MEET THE
TEACHERS,
PASTORAL TEAM
SUPPORT STAFF

**ACHIEVE**
DEPARTMENT
DISPLAYS
SUBJECT DEMOS

**ALL PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS
AND PARENTS WELCOME!**

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