



Where all our Pupils SHINE

Newsletter – Week 3 Friday 18th 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!

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.

Expanding free school meals eligibility

From September 2026 all households receiving Universal Credit, regardless of household income, will qualify for free school meals.

Who should apply

If you receive Universal Credit and your child is not getting free school meals, apply by filling in our online form.

If you have already applied for free school meals and your child has been confirmed as eligible, you do not need to apply again. We will recheck your claim and tell your child's school before the start of the new September 2026 term.

If you would like further information please follow the link <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>

We encourage all families to take a few minutes to check their eligibility – this support can make a real difference.

Dates for the Diary	
September	
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
29 th	FOFS Meeting 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm



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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
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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NEW FOFS COMMITTEE MEETING

Calling parents, we'd love for you to join our friendly FOFS committee.
To help your children have fun!

Tuesday, 29th September
Forton School (meet in the playground)
3.30pm - 4.30pm
Children can join after-school club.

OCTOBER HALF TERM PLAYScheme

26TH TO 30TH OCTOBER

WELCOMING CHILDREN FROM ALL SCHOOLS AGES 3 - 12 YEARS
OPEN 8AM TILL 6PM

26TH - AUTUMN HEALTHY TREAT MAKING

27TH - ENCHANTED STORIES & NATURE

28TH - AUTUMN PAINTS, CRAFTS & ARTS

29TH - LIGHT-UP LANTERNS & LEAF ART

30TH - THEMED GAMES & FILM

OUR STAFF AND SUPPORT:
 > STAFF QUALIFIED IN EARLY YEARS, TEACHING & YOUTH WORK
 > YOU CAN BE REASSURED THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE WELL LOOKED AFTER AND HAVE A GREAT TIME IN OUR CARE

FULL & HALF DAY SESSIONS BOOK ONLINE

Register & Book through our website
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