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# Weekly Newsletter Friday 19th September 2025



#### Wonderful news...

The Blain Family have asked us to share the following message with you all.

"His race is run, and this treatment is done!"  $\bigwedge$ 

After three long years of dedication and faith, we are so proud to say we have made it. Today (13.09.25), our everyday superhero Harry has completed his chemotherapy treatment for Leukaemia.

The picture shows our family holding Harry's Beads of Courage. For those who may not know, these beads tell the story of cancer treatment – each one marking something significant, like an operation, chemotherapy, or a hospital visit. Just like the beads, our amazing little boy has faced it all with bravery and positivity, showing us what true resilience looks like.

We won't lie - it has not been easy, and there may still be challenges ahead - but now more than ever, we know we can face anything together as a family.

It is not lost on us how important the support of our family, friends, charities, countless healthcare professionals and the teachers, staff and parents of Lower Peover Primary has been, for Harry, his sister Olivia and ourselves.

The way in which everyone connected to Lower Peover School has watched over us throughout this time is a true reflection of the ethos of our school. The children of our school have been amazing – particularly Harry and Olivia's classmates. The compassion, support, and friendship you have shown them has helped to make our greatest challenge that little bit easier. You are all superstars, and our family are truly blessed to know you all.

From the bottom of our hearts - THANK YOU.





Craig, Vicky, Harry & Olivia



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#### **New Homework Structure**

We are pleased to share a new reduced homework structure for the 2025-26 academic year. From Reception class through to Year 5, homework will focus on the key skills of Reading, Spelling, Number Bonds (KS1), and Times Tables (KS2).

In addition to this, children in Year 6 will receive further Maths and English homework, which will link to their current class learning, helping to prepare them for their transition to high school.

Periodically across the year, all year groups will be set themed homework projects connected to RE, Geography, History, and Science, giving them opportunities to explore these subjects in creative and engaging ways at home.

#### Year 5 - Mini Medics

Mini Medics will commence from Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025. For the 6 weeks, dates detailed below, these sessions will replace the 2<sup>nd</sup> PE slot for Year 5 usually timetabled for a Friday. Please can you ensure children are wearing their PE kits on a Wednesday and school uniform on a Friday (unless in Forest School) during these weeks – thank you

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

#### **Front Loop**

You may have seen our PCSO outside at morning drop off this week, this was a routine visit at the start of term. He did however raise a concern to us, after witnessing a number of children either standing up or not restrained as they enter the front loop and has asked us to communicate to you all.

To ensure the children's safety, please can you make sure they remain sitting and have their seatbelts on until the car comes to a stop.

Whilst this may add a few seconds to them getting out of the car, if someone unexpectedly brakes in front of you, your children will remain safe. Thank you

#### **Facebook & Photograph Consent**

Following discussion at a Full Governing Body meeting last night, there will be changes to our use of Facebook. Posts will only be uploaded as and when key events and activities happen in school, and not on a weekly basis. When posted, pictures will not show children's faces.

A survey will be set up to gain parental consent for 2025-26, for image use in the school newsletter or newspaper publications.

#### **Children's Birthdays**

We are happy for children to bring in a treat to hand out to their friends for their birthdays, if they wish, however, we do ask that this is only something like small Haribo sweet packs. Please do not bring in cupcakes, any other form of cake, or chocolate, as we have children in school with dietary requirements who will not be permitted to eat them. Thank you for your co-operation.

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# **Weekly Attendance**Winning Year Group - Year 4

Reception: 99.2%

Year 1: 96.3%

Year 2: 97.0%

Year 3: 97.8%

Year 4: 99.7%

Year 5: 95.8%

Year 6: 92.8%

Whole School: 97.0%

# **Weekly Awards**

Children are awarded individual stickers (see below) if they demonstrate any of our new values of Love, Wisdom, and Respect, throughout the week. A Vision Star certificate will be presented during Friday's Collective Worship.







#### **Vision Stars**

Reception: Blake & Caleb

Year 1: Betty & Lorenzo

Year 2: Louis B & Sofia

Year 3: Cooper & Amelia

Year 4: Ailsa, Savannah & Henry

Year 5: Elwynn

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Year 6: Miles, Emma & Aapo

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#### **AGM: Wednesday 8th October**

The FLPS Annual General Meeting will be held at The Bells of Peover on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm and we would be delighted to have you join us.

We will be voting in new members and holding elections for committee roles, and we encourage anyone interested to step forwards. FLPS plays a crucial role raising funds for our wonderful school, so please support us by coming along - even if it's just for a glass of wine!

#### **Autumn School Disco: Friday 17th October**

Tickets will be available on Parent Pay soon, with full details regarding logistics nearer the time. From 3.15pm – 5pm for Key Stage 1 and from 5.30pm – 7pm for Key Stage 2.

Please let your class rep know if you are available to help set up, supervise, or make crispy cakes.

Instagram: Friends of Lower Peover School Facebook: Lower Peover Primary School Mums mail:flpscommittee@gmail.com

## Forest School 2025-26

To comply with our risk assessment, all children must wear appropriate <u>outdoor</u> clothes (long sleeve tops & long trousers/leggings - no football kits) and hair tied up.

Please ensure the children have a spare pair of shoes to change into after their session in the woods. This will ensure mud & dirt is not walked through school. Even in dry weather, there are some areas of the wood that do not get a lot of sunlight, so will be continually damp or wet.

The office will call home to request a spare pair of shoes are brought in if applicable.

If incorrect clothing is worn or brought in, unfortunately, children will be unable to take part in the session.

Please refer to the logistics letter for details of the changes to the Forest School sessions.

Slot 1 commences at approx. 9am / Slot 2 commences at 11am

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September – **Year 2** (Slot 1) / **Year 4** (Slot 2)

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – No Forest School

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October – **Year 6** (Slot 1) / No Forest School

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October - No Forest School

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October – **Year 1** (Slot 1) / **Reception** (Slot 2)

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# **Collective Worship**

Thank you to those parents who joined us in Church this week.

The Friday service will be a reflection service, linked to the Worships held in school throughout the week, and will be led by Fr. Murray. Star Vision and any recognition certificates will still be presented to the children.

We do encourage a calm atmostphere during Collective Worship and ask that parents attending remain quiet when the children arrive – thank you for your cooperation.

No Collective Worship in Church Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Upcoming Church Services

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Festival - Reception, Years 1 & 2

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Festival - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

## **After School Clubs**

**Autumn 1 Half Term 2025** (08.09.25 – 23.10.25 inc)

| Day       | Club                      | No of places | Cost                           | Staff                                | Year Group(s)                                       | INFORMATION   |
|-----------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Monday    | Vocal<br>Coaching<br>Club |              | £38 per half<br>term           | Mr Stannard                          | Years 2-6<br>inclusive<br>(confident Y1<br>welcome) | Please contact Mr Stannard directly on jstannard@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk  |
| Monday    | Jewellery<br>Club         | Max. 14      | £4.50 per<br>child per<br>week | Miss Haslam                          | Years 1 & 2   | Fully booked  |
| Wednesday | YV Choir                  | Max 45       | £20                            | Mrs<br>Maddock                       | KS2   | Commences Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept.  This club WILL NOT be held on 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> December. |
| Thursday  | Band                      |              | £38 per half<br>term           | Mr Stannard                          | Years 2-6 inclusive                                 | Please contact Mr Stannard directly on jstannard@lowerpeover.cheshire.sch.uk  |
| Thursday  | Breathe &<br>Meditation   | Max. 20      | £6.00 per<br>child per<br>week | External<br>provider –<br>Vicki Dean | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6                                   | places available – please contact the office  |

Please note – Autumn Clubs will commence from w/c 8th September 2025 unless specific above.

All clubs will run unless you receive a separate communication regarding cancellation Please ensure you have paid on ParentPay to secure your place request(s)

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### **Sports Coaching Group After School Clubs**

#### **Autumn 1 Half Term 2025** (3<sup>rd</sup> September to 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025 inclusive)

| Day       | Year Groups     | Activity              |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Monday    | 3 – 6 inclusive | Basketball            |
| Tuesday   | Rec, 1 & 2      | FUNdamental Games     |
| Wednesday | Years 1 – 4     | Football (girls only) |
| Thursday  | 3 – 6 inclusive | Football              |
| Friday    | All vear groups | Multi-Sports          |

Booking Link: <a href="https://sports-coaching-group.classforkids.io/term/1038">https://sports-coaching-group.classforkids.io/term/1038</a>

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the SCG team at info@sportscoachinggroup.co.uk

Thank you for your continued support!

Please note – All clubs will commence the first week back after any half term break unless otherwise communicated.

All clubs will run unless you receive a separate communication regarding cancellation

## Dates, Events & Information

#### 2025-26 Academic year

#### Autumn 1 Half Term 2025

- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September Open Morning (session 2) 9.30am 11.30am
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October Harvest Festival Service in Church Years 1 & 2 only
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October Year 5 & 6 Pilgrim Day @ Chester Cathedral
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October Harvest Festival Service in Church Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October FLPS Autumn Disco
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October Reception Parents Stay & Play session (2pm onwards)
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October Year 5 Volcanoes Workshop (in school)
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October Open Morning (session 3) 9.30am 11.30am
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October Last Day of Term

#### Autumn 2 Half Term 2025

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November INSET Day
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November School opens to children
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November Year 3 Amazing Light Workshop (in school)
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November Mini Medics for Year 5 commences (every Wednesday for 6 weeks)
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November Parent Consultation Evening 1
- w/c 10<sup>th</sup> November Anti Bullying Week
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November Anti-Bullying Performance in school (Years 2-6 inc)
- Thursday 13th November Parent Consultation Evening 2
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November Class Fun Day (details to follow)
- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November Flu Nasal Vaccinations (whole school)
- Thursday 20th November Open Morning (session 4) 9.30am 11.30am
- Thursday 4th December Reception Nativity performance to parents (school hall) approx. 9am
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December Years 1 & 2 Christmas performance to parents (school hall Year 1 parents only) approx 9am
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December Years 1 & 2 Christmas performance to parents (school hall Year 2 parents only) approx 9am
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December KS2 Christmas performance to parents (in Church Years 3 & 4 parents only) approx 9am
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December Chrismas Jumper & Lunch Day
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December KS2 Christmas performance to parents (in Church Years 5 & 6 parents only)
  approx 9am
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December Last Day of Term

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