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## Newsletter 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Welcome back to our first Newsletter of the school year! It has been an incredible first fortnight back. There is a great 'buzz' around school and it's been fabulous to see so much great learning taking place.

Have a great weekend and thank you for your ongoing support,

Mrs White

### Hodder Valley Show



Tomorrow is the Hodder Valley Show in Newton. The weather looks set to be dry and it promises to be a good day!

[Home \(hoddervalleyshow.co.uk\)](http://hoddervalleyshow.co.uk)

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## Thank you Tesco!

Thank you to Tesco Clitheroe for this donation of £463.62 from their community books collection.

We really appreciate your support and two of our librarians enjoyed visiting the store to collect the

money  



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## Official Opening of the Library!

Thursday was the official opening day of our new school library 📖 We started saving up for this project over 18months ago and with the help of the community... we did it ⭐

Melt - thank you so much for each and every candle you donated to school so that we could sell them - we are so grateful!

Mr Conti - thank you for running a marathon and donating your fundraising to school for this library! Your kindness and determination to support us is incredible!

To the whole community - thank you for supporting us with all of our smaller fundraising. What a massive community effort!

Dan Worsley - thank you for being an inspirational author and coming to our school so regularly to inspire reading and story-telling! The children love you 📖

Precision Timber - just wow! Thank you for creating the most perfect space for our pupils. You brought our vision to life!

Today we all came together to celebrate the opening and thank everyone!

The children are so excited to be able to use this beautiful space that is filled with adventure, information, inspiration, mystery, laughter and endless possibilities ❤️ 📖 ❤️

Thank you to everyone who has helped bring this vision to life ⭐

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## Dates for Diaries

Please find below some key dates for your diary for next term.

Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Meet the teachers evening: Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – 5pm Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – 5.30pm
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Outdoor Prayer Spaces all day for all year groups
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Tennis Taster afternoon
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Kate Taylor SENCO in school 5pm – Reception Phonics Information Evening Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.30am – more information to follow European Day of Languages
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Sponsored Walk
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Year 6 School Council Speeches in classrooms 9.10am
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	James Bovenizer in school PM for years 5/6
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	School council voting in the hall
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	OPEN DAY for Sept 2025 starters Kate Taylor SENCO in school all day
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Life Education Bus all day in school
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Life Education Bus all day in school
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	James Bovenizer in school PM for years 5/6 World Mental Health Day – children can wear yellow
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	12pm-3pm – Year 5 out at Crucial Crew event
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	PTA Cake Sale
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Rainbow Day – wear Rainbow colours
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	James Bovenizer in school PM for years 5/6
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Service at St Helen's Church – more information to follow Finish for half term at normal time

## **IMPORTANT - A few pieces of information and reminders**

**Uniform** - There are no changes to Uniform and PE kit next year. However, please make sure that the rainbow colour PE tops are plain and not branded where possible. Also, please ensure that hoodies/zip up hoodies are plain navy and not branded e.g. No White Fox etc. These plain uniform items are cheap and accessible to all. **Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back for school.**



**Pencil Cases** – From September, Children in Years 1-5 are **not** to bring pencil cases to school. We will provide all pens/pencils etc. Children in Year 6 may bring a pencil case in, but it is not necessary.

**Rucksacks** – Years 1-5 - Please don't send your child to school with large rucksacks. We understand that children need to bring a packed lunch and their reading book, so please send these in either a small red book-bag or small bag. We do not have the room for 30 large backpacks in each classroom. Year 6 may bring a rucksack.

**Water bottles** – please send your child to school with **water** in a water bottle each day. Please send just a standard size water bottle and not the large 2L bottles or prime bottles etc. We also find that the Air-Up Water bottles leak a lot as they often tend to fall over on desks and cause a mess. If your child cannot drink water for a medical reason, please contact school.

**School times** – In the morning, the doors will be open from 8.40am-8.55am for pupils to enter school. Anyone arriving after 8.55am will be marked as Late.

After school, Pre-School finish at 3.10pm, Reception finishes at 3.15pm and everyone else finishes at 3.20pm

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## **Appointments**

Where possible, please make dentist/doctors appointments out of school times. We do understand that emergencies happen, and that you have to accept emergency appointments in the school day, but usually pre-planned appointments can be made for after 3.30pm so that it won't affect their learning.

**Allergies** - We are a NUT FREE school.

**Jewellery** – only plain stud earrings to be worn to school. No necklaces, bracelets etc. No Smart Watches to be worn.

**Pets/Dogs** - No dogs allowed on site please.

**PE Days** – The PE days for classes will be the following for September:

<b>Reception and Pre-School</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Wednesday and Thursday</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Tuesday and Friday</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Tuesday and Thursday</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Monday and Friday</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Wednesday and Friday</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Monday and Wednesday</b>

## **Clubs Autumn Term 2024**

	<b>What</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Start Date</b>
<b>Tues</b>	Netball	Years 5&6	Mrs Burcher	3.15pm-4.15pm	17 <sup>th</sup> September
	Football	Years 3-6	Mr Stell	3.15pm-4.15pm	17 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Wed</b>	Cross Country	Years 4-6	Mrs Hartley	3.15pm-4.15pm	11 <sup>th</sup> September
	Spanish Club	Year 1 and 2	Mrs Pickering	3.15pm-4pm	18 <sup>th</sup> September
	Choir	Years 3-6	Mrs Jones	Lunchtime	18 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Thurs</b>	Cooking Club	Year 1 and 2	Mrs Harrington	3.15pm-4.15pm	26 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Fri</b>	Judo	Years 3-6	Club 62 Judo – Nathon Burns	3.30pm-4.30pm	20 <sup>th</sup> September

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## **MEET THE TEACHER:**

Meet the teacher evening/presentations will be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 – 5pm

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 – 5.30pm

Please go straight to your child's classroom 5 minutes before as presentations will start promptly at the allocated times.

## **SENCO drop in sessions**



Mrs Taylor, our SENCO, will be available on the following dates in the Autumn Term 2024.

- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October
- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

If you would like to meet with Kate to discuss any aspects of your child's additional needs, please email [senco@wwb.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:senco@wwb.lancs.sch.uk)

All SEND queries must now be emailed to [senco@wwb.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:senco@wwb.lancs.sch.uk) This email address will be checked weekly by either Mrs White or Mrs Taylor. If there are any urgent questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the office and ask to speak to Mrs Madeley during this term and Mrs White from September onwards.

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## **CONTACT US**



Please always request to speak to your child's class teacher as first point of contact if you have a query or concern. If it cannot be resolved with the teacher, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will aim to make themselves available to you as soon as possible.

School contact details: 01200 422915 or [bursar@wwb.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@wwb.lancs.sch.uk)

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