

# Newsletter

06.09.24



Welcome back to this brand new academic year! The children have made a fantastic start to this term, staff are already very impressed!

Welcome to all our new arrivals including all new children in Nursery and Reception; Mrs Maryam Ali who is job sharing Year 5 with Mrs Duerden; Mrs Emily Robinson who has joined us as SENCO.

Parents are recommended to contact Mrs Robinson by email on [emilyrobinsonsenco@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:emilyrobinsonsenco@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

When parents want to contact teaching staff, either send a message using the class dojo system or email them.

Mrs Kozlow: [akozlow@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:akozlow@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Miss Oldale: [moldale@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:moldale@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Mr Filder: [afilder@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:afilder@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Miss Dexter: [adexter@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:adexter@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Mr Smith: [ssmith@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:ssmith@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Mrs Duerden: [cd@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:cd@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Mrs Ali: [mali@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:mali@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Mrs Cumpstey: [greed@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:greed@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

## Dates for your diary

School Council Elections  
Thu 12th Sep

Letters for Clubs and  
Parent Workshops will  
be sent home next  
week

Clubs for Y1—Y6 start  
w/c Mon 16th Sep

Parent Workshops for  
each class will be  
w/c Mon 16th Sep or  
23rd Sep

Macmillan Coffee  
Event on Fri 27th Sep

Brew and a Book  
sessions to start in  
October

You can find a copy of  
2024-2025  
term & holiday dates  
on the last page



## Safeguarding Leads

Mrs Peake, Miss Watson and Mrs Duerden are our school Safeguarding Leads.

Please contact us when you are concerned about a child at West Street.

Our email addresses are:

Mrs Peake [apeake@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:apeake@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Miss Watson [head@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:head@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Mrs Duerden [cd@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:cd@weststreet.lancs.sch.uk)

Speak to one of our safeguarding leads when you are concerned about a child at West Street



Miss Watson  
Head Teacher  
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Duerden  
Deputy Head Teacher  
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Deake  
Pastoral Lead  
Safeguarding Lead

At West Street, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our children.

We expect everyone to share this commitment.



## Attendance Matters

For children to gain the greatest benefit from their education it is vital that they attend regularly and be at school on time every day the school is open, unless the reason is unavoidable. Any absence affects the pattern of a child's schooling and regular absence will seriously affect their learning.

This week children from Year 1 to Year 6 will receive their last traffic light letter for the whole of last academic year.

<p>HIGH ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL GETS YOUR CHILD'S LIFE OFF TO A <b>FLYING START!</b></p>	<p>INCREASING ATTENDANCE BY JUST 5% CAN DOUBLE THE CHANCES OF GAINING GOOD QUALIFICATIONS</p>	<p>MISSING TWO DAYS A MONTH MEANS A CHILD MISSES <b>10%</b> OF THE SCHOOL YEAR</p>	<p>GOOD ATTENDANCE IN PRIMARY SCHOOL</p> <p>Improves reading</p> <p>Writing + MATHS SKILLS</p>
<p>THERE ARE 175 DAYS A YEAR NOT SPENT IN SCHOOL</p> <p>PLENTY OF TIME FOR SHOPPING, HOLIDAYS AND APPOINTMENTS!</p>	<p>100s OF SUBJECTS   1000s OF CLASSES</p> <p>ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES</p>	<p>TURNING UP JUST 5 MINUTES LATE EVERY DAY ADDS UP TO OVER 3 DAYS LOST IN THE YEAR!</p>	<p>MORE SCHOOL =</p> <p>HIGHER GRADES</p> <p>INCREASED CONFIDENCE</p> <p>MORE FRIENDS</p> <p>BRIGHTER FUTURE</p>

### Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	<b>100%</b>	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	<b>99%</b>	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	<b>97%</b>	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	<b>95%</b>	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	<b>90%</b>	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	<b>85%</b>	Very Concerned

## School Dinners

This is the menu for school lunches next week. We are unable to provide alternative meals.

### Monday

Chilli & rice OR Pizza

### Tuesday

Jacket potato with filling OR Pasta

### Wednesday

Roast dinner OR Tomato marscarpone pasta

### Thursday

Chicken goujons OR Quorn goujons

### Friday

Pizza or fish

The cost of school dinners is: **£2.50 per day**  
**OR**  
**£12.50 per week**

Parents who pay for their child's school dinners should pay directly to the office staff. Payments can be made either by cash or cheque.



# New Era's Time for YOU

## NEW ERA'S TIME FOR YOU

Entry level numeracy program where learners develop a more positive maths mindset. A gentle introduction to maths skills embedded in a range of wellbeing topics/activities. Progression onto a formal qualification will be encouraged. Wellbeing topics include:

cooking  
hobbies  
book club  
money matters  
crafting  
healthy me  
gardening  
1st steps to exercise  
stress management

Starts Thursday 12th September 9.30am - 11.30am  
Learners (19+) can join at any point and will be committed to completing a 6 week program.

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CONTACT US ON  
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OR EMAIL [INFO@NEWERABURNLEY.CO.UK](mailto:INFO@NEWERABURNLEY.CO.UK)

**Lancashire**  
County  
Council 



## Absence Procedure

When you know your child is off school ill please call and leave us a message. Then we know why your child is not in school.

When your child is not in school, the office staff will:

- send a text message to remind parents that school needs to know why your child is absent.
- make a phone call when they have not yet heard back from you.
- ask Mrs. Peake to make a home visit.

When you receive a text from school you can either reply to the text we have sent you OR just give us a ring.



## Contacting School

The school office is open from 8.30am.

Please leave a message on the answer phone before 8.30am. A member of staff will phone you back when necessary.

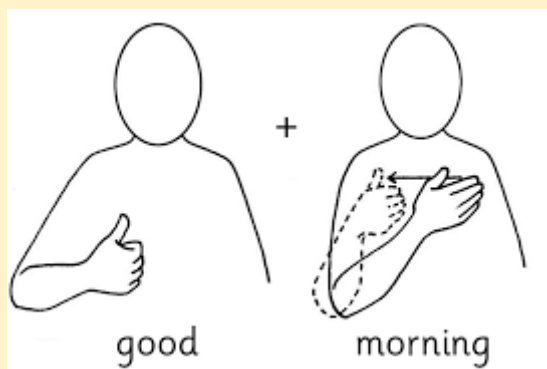
## Learning Makaton

13 members of staff have started learning how to use Makaton. Makaton is a unique communication programme that uses symbols (pictures), signs (gestures) and speech to enable people to communicate.

It supports the development of essential communication skills such as attention and listening, comprehension, memory, recall and organisation of language and expression.

This academic year we are teaching everybody some basic phrases in Makaton.

Our first phrase is Good Morning



From next week.....

Year 2 will be enjoying Forest School (on our school site). Everyone in Year 2 will have a 2 hour Forest School session every week this half-term.

Year 3 will be learning how to play tag rugby with Darren Greenwood (from Colne Rugby Club) on Wednesday afternoons.

Year 6 start their weekly swimming sessions every Friday afternoon at Pendle Leisure Centre.

# Family Matters courses

*because*

## **FAMILY MATTERS**

*life*

**Time out for parent courses**

**new  
era  
enterprises**



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Call or text 07877 714693

**4X 2hr Sessions**

**Scan to book - in the drop down box, please make sure you select the course and date required**

### **HANDLING ANGER IN THE FAMILY**

**Promoting healthy tips with our children & family members and strategies to handle anger better.**

September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 6.30pm - 8.30pm  
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 9.30am - 11.30am

### **ASD**

**Understanding autism and the way it affects your child. Support and strategies to help the family relationships.**

June 4, 11, 18, 25th 6.30pm - 8.30pm  
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 12.45pm - 2.45pm  
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 6.30pm - 8.30pm

### **ADHD**

**Understanding ADHD and how it affects your child. Support and strategies to help the family relationships.**

June 4, 11, 18, 25th 9.30am - 11.30am  
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8th October 6.30pm - 8.30pm  
November 5, 12, 19, 26th 12.45pm - 2.45pm

### **THE TEENAGE YEARS**

**The Teenage Years can sometimes be a challenge. This course explores the issues affecting teenagers & their parents.**

June 4, 11, 18, 25th & July 2nd 6.30pm - 8.30pm  
September 17, 24, & 1st, 8, 15th Oct 1st, 8th 9.30am - 11.30am  
November 5, 12, 19, 26th & Dec 3rd 6.30pm - 8.30pm

## West Street Community Primary School

### Term and Holiday Pattern 2024 – 2025



#### **Autumn Term 2024**

**INSET (teacher training days): Monday 2 & Tuesday 3 September**

Re-open to Y1 to Y6 pupils: Wednesday 4 September

Open to Nursery pupils and new YR pupils: Wednesday 4 September

YR part-time for Wednesday 4 & Thursday 5

New YR pupils start full-time: Friday 6 September

Half Term: Monday 21 October - Friday 25 October

**INSET (teacher training day): Monday 28 October**

Re-open to pupils: Tuesday 29 October

Close for Christmas holidays: Friday 20 December at 1.30pm

#### **Spring Term 2025**

Re-open to pupils: Monday 6 January

Half Term: Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February

Re-open to pupils: Monday 24 February

Close for Easter holidays: Friday 4 April at 3.30pm

#### **Summer Term 2025**

Re-open to pupils: Tuesday 22 April

May Day: Monday 5 May

Half Term: Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Re-open to pupils: Monday 2 June

Close for Summer holidays after school: Friday 18 July at 1.30pm

**INSET (teacher training day): Monday 21 & Tuesday 22 July**

#### **Autumn Term 2025**

**New academic year starts: Monday 1 September**

2025-2026 Term and Holiday pattern will be published to both parents and staff in Autumn Term 2024

