



PENWORTHAM BROAD OAK PRIMARY



WELCOME TO OUR **FRIDAY Newsletter**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an unforgettable week we've had in school – a true celebration of energy, teamwork and creativity, all wrapped up in the hottest temperatures we've ever experienced on site. Thankfully, those newly installed air-conditioning units in most classrooms proved to be absolute lifesavers. And a special shout-out to Years 5 and 6, who were wonderfully sensible (and rather strategic!) as they flitted down to Years 1–4 to borrow a bit of their coolness during the warmest parts of the day.

We kicked off the week with a fantastic Sports Day, filled with cheering, determination and some truly impressive performances from pupils across the school. The atmosphere was electric – and not just because of the sunshine.

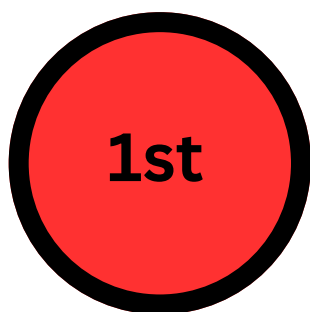
This was followed by a joyful Dance Day, where every corridor seemed to have its own rhythm, and then a calming, restorative Yoga Day, which couldn't have been better timed given the heat. Mid-week brought a Free Choice Sports Day, giving each class the chance to explore the activities they love most – from football to rounders to creative challenges.

And then came Friday's grand finale: our Sporting-Themed Fancy Dress Day. The imagination on display was incredible. We had everything from horse riders to marathon runners, dancers, golfers, tennis stars, gymnasts and more. The playground looked like the opening ceremony of the Olympics – with a dash of comedy and a lot of heart.

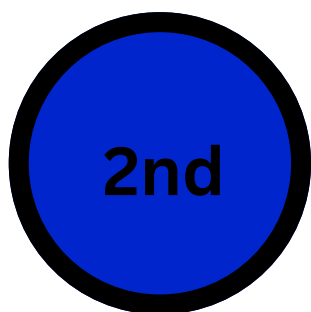
Next week brings something very special indeed: the Year 3 & 4 residential to Crosby Hall. The excitement is already building, and we know it will be a memorable experience full of adventure, teamwork and new discoveries.

As always, thank you to our pupils, staff and families for making this week such a success. Despite the heat, the spirit of our school shone brighter than ever.

Warm regards,
Miss Meredith



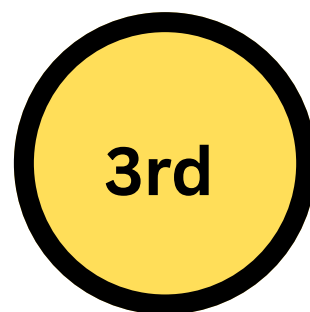
Ash



Beech



Chestnut



Sycamore

TEAM POINTS

Winning team - Sycamore

Winning year group - Year 4 Ash

Our team points system is a great way to celebrate positive behaviour, effort, and achievement across the school. Children earn points for their team by demonstrating our school values, working hard, and supporting others. These points are collected throughout the week, and at the end of each week we celebrate both a winning team and a winning year group, recognising the fantastic contributions and teamwork shown by our pupils.

Student Achievements

Celebrating the outstanding accomplishments of our Broad Oak students.

Weekly certificate

R - Bella
1 - Wilfred
2 - Sultan
3 - Ruby & Noah
4 - Leo D
5 - Josh H
6 - Oliver

Weekly attendance

Good attendance is extremely important as it helps children make the most of every learning opportunity and build strong routines. Being in school every day supports progress, confidence, and friendships, giving every child the best chance to succeed.

Reception - 85%
Year 1 - 94.14%
Year 2 - 97.20%
Year 3 - 96.33%
Year 4 - 94.14%
Year 5 - 97.67%
Year 6 - 94.48%

Golden Rulesly

R Lily
1 Mabel
2 Indy
3 Eli
4 Vinnie
5 Esme
6 Ivy



Swimmer of the week

- o **Alfie Y2**
- o **Harry Y3**

Each week, we celebrate our pupils' efforts and achievements in a variety of ways. Every teacher selects a child from their class to receive a special certificate for going above and beyond in their learning or behaviour. We also recognise our Swimmer of the Week, award a trophy to the class with the highest attendance, and present a certificate to a child who has demonstrated our focus golden rule. These awards help us acknowledge and celebrate the many different ways our children shine every day.

Classroom Insights



PRE-SCHOOL: Foundations are in!

Our Little Acorns pre-school extension is really starting to take shape now, and it's been wonderful to watch the builders working their magic day by day. Not only have the footings been dug, but we can already see the early outlines of the new external walls rising – a real sign that this long-awaited project is becoming a reality. It's going to be truly fantastic to welcome our new cohort of 3- and 4-year-olds in September, and we can already picture the buzz of learning and play that will soon fill the space.



SCHOOL COUNCIL: Online safety first

This week, our four eldest School Councillors represented us proudly at Lostock Hall County Primary School, where they joined councillors from the five other Axia schools to collaborate on a very important project: creating a shared Online Safety Charter for all pupils across the 6 schools in our Axia learning alliance. They contributed thoughtful ideas, listened brilliantly to others, and showed real leadership throughout the session. We're excited to see the final charter take shape – a fantastic example of pupil voice making a meaningful difference.



SPORTS WEEK: Future Sports Stars

These seven children have absolutely shone throughout Sports Week – not just in the events they excelled in, but in the way they carried themselves from start to finish. Their sporting talent has been clear to see, but what's been even more impressive are the qualities that make true sports stars: determination, resilience, teamwork, encouragement, focus and that brilliant ability to lift others around them. Whether they were sprinting, jumping, throwing or cheering from the sidelines, they showed every attribute we hope to see in young athletes. They pushed themselves, supported their teammates, celebrated others' successes and kept going even when things got tough. They've been role models all week.

EXTRA CURRICULAR



Last Tuesday, our Year 6 cricket team were all set to compete in the inter-school cricket competition, but unfortunately the extreme heat meant the event had to be postponed for everyone's safety. The disappointment was real – they were absolutely raring to go – but thankfully a new date has now been confirmed. Year 6 are eagerly awaiting their chance to step back onto the pitch, and their determination is stronger than ever. We're going for it... bring home the win, Year 6!



Important dates

Summer term 2

Tuesday 9th June - EYFS Smithills trip
Saturday 13th June - Penwortham Gala
Monday 15th June- Wednesday 17th June - Year 6 Robin Wood
Friday 19th June - MP visiting school
Monday 22nd June - SPORTS WEEK - See poster below
Monday 22nd June - Sports day - KS2 AM and EYFS KS1 PM
Tuesday 23rd June - Year 6 Cricket competition
Monday 29th June - Wednesday 1st July - Year 3 & 4 Crosby Hall
Thursday 2nd July - Year 6 High school transition day
Friday 3rd July - Year 5 Bikeability
Wednesday 8th July - Year 5 high school taster day at Hutton Grammar
Meet your new teacher and classroom for September! - 330pm
Friday 10th July - Year 5 Bikeability
Monday 13th July - Broad Oaks Got Talent
Wednesday 15th July (Morning) - Rock steady concert
Wednesday 15th July (Afternoon) - Year 6 play to parents
Friday 17th July - Awards assembly (by invitation)
Monday 20th July - Last Day of term!

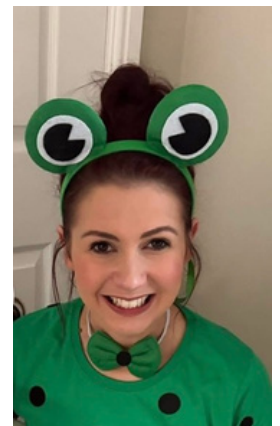


Staff Spotlight

Mrs Bentham

A huge thank you goes to Mrs Bentham, our wonderful Reception Class Teacher and PE Subject Lead, for organising all the fantastic activities that took place throughout Sports Week.

We are incredibly grateful to her – and to all our teachers and staff – for the dedication they show in making sure our children have rich opportunities for personal development, growth and joy. Their commitment is what makes weeks like this so special.



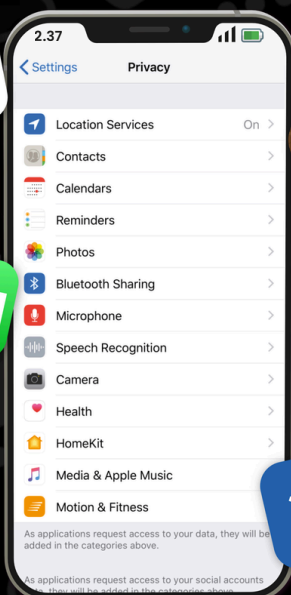
Other news...

- Year 6 High school transition day - Thursday 2nd July - Please take your child straight to their high school, not to Broad Oak. :)
- Crosby hall residential - all Year 3 and Year 4 children going on the residential should come to school at the normal time on Monday.

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS APPS

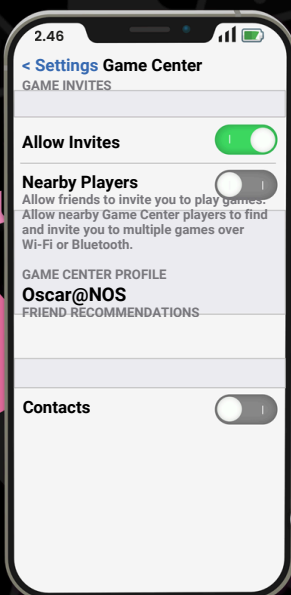
iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and features appear on your child's device and which ones don't. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child's safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.



How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to 'on' at the top)
- 5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child's device



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- 4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the 'on' position)
- 5 Scroll down to Game Centre
- 6 Choose between Allow, Don't Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature



How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases
- 5 Select Allow or Don't Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)

Smartphone Free Childhood is a grassroots movement bringing families together to stand up for healthier, happier childhoods.



Smartphones were never designed with kids in mind – but they've reshaped childhood faster than any technology in history.

Many families wish there was another way, but delaying smartphones when all your children's friends have them, can feel impossible.

That's why Smartphone Free Childhood exists. We help families delay smartphones and social media together – building community, sharing support, and changing culture.

How you can get involved



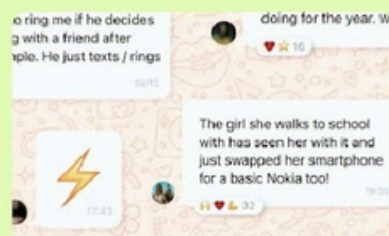
Sign the Pact

Join the growing movement of parents choosing to delay



Join on WhatsApp

Connect with like minded local parents for solidarity & support



Build local momentum

Become an SFC School Organiser and start creating local change



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