

STRIKE LANE NEWS 17th November 2023

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your donations to Children in Need this week, the children all looked wonderful as ever and I know many of them love a pyjama day. I always think Children in Need gives us a reminder to reflect on how lucky we and our children are in so many ways, whilst also inspiring us with stories of courage and resilience as well as love and commitment. If you have not yet made a donation you can do so using this link https://www.justgiving.com/page/-strikelaneprimaryschool

I hope you have been following our Facebook and Twitter (X) pages over the last few weeks — we have lots of examples of our outdoor learning and Forest Schools which the children and staff are absolutely loving. We are also busy trying to build some content on our school website which reflects our outdoor curriculum. We are more than happy for you to share any posts with friends or the community to highlight what a great time we have at school.

Next Thursday Year 6 will be heading off to the library with Miss O'Grady. We are not sure that Mrs McDowell would be able to manage the walk there and back and so she will be teaching in Year 4 that afternoon. All Year 4 and Year 6 parents have been made aware via Arbor that when Mrs McDowell takes her maternity leave at Christmas, Miss O'Grady will be taking over the Year 6 class whilst we have a new cover teacher joining us for the Year 4 class. Mrs Burdett is an experienced teacher who is very excited about joining us in January. She has taught a lesson in Year 4 as part of her interview and will be calling in briefly to work with the teachers and children before the end of this term.

On Monday after school, we will be holding our Book Look for all Year Groups. Parents are welcome to come in and spend some time looking at children's work before their Parent Teacher Meetings the following Tuesday, the Book Fair will also be available to browse through. Please check Arbor if you have not yet signed up for a Parent Teacher Meeting appointment. This year we will be using Microsoft Teams as our host which is a very similar format to Zoom and Tina will be sending out meeting links the day before the appointments.

Have a wonderful weekend everybody, Katherine Shuttleworth

Dates for your diary (new dates in red)

Thursday 16th November-Monday 20th November – Book Fair in School Friday 17th November – Children in Need Monday 20th November – 3pm–4:30pm – Parent Book Look

Tuesday 21st November – Y5/Y6 Badminton Comptition at Carr Hill (*invitation only*)

Tuesday 28th November – 1pm-6:30pm – Parent/Teacher Teams Meetings

Friday 1st **December** – Non-Uniform Day/Christmas Hamper Donations

Friday 1st December – 6:00pm–7:00pm – Christingle Service at Freckleton Methodist Church & Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Tuesday 5th December – Dodgeball Competition at Carr Hill (*invitation only*)

Wednesday 6th December – 9:15-11:15am Y5/Y6 Watching Matinee Performance at Carr Hill

Monday 11th December – Whole School Christmas Pantomime at Lowther Pavilion Tuesday 12th December – 2pm-3pm – Christmas Performance for Rec & Y1 Parents/Carers

Wednesday 13th December – 2pm-3pm – Christmas Performance for Y2 Parents/Carers **Friday 15th December** – Non-Uniform Day/Wrapped Gift Donations

Monday 18th December - 3:30pm-4:30pm - Christmas Fair

Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Party Day

Thursday 21st **December** – Progress & Kindness Cup Assembly

Thursday 21st December – School Closes For Christmas (usual finishing times apply) **Friday 22nd December** – Staff Inset Day

Class Attendance (week ending (17/11/23)	Weekly
Oak	89.6%
Beech	97.3%
Rowan	96.0%
Maple	96.7%
Willow	98.8%
Sycamore	95.4%
Hornbeam	98.5%

Stars Of The Week

Well done to all our Winners You should be very proud of your achievements

Year Group	Stars Of The Week		
Oak	Reginald & Lelomso		
Beech	Molly & Billy-Joe		
Rowan	Lucas & Scarlett		
Maple	Nathan & Aimielea		
Willow	Lottie & Indiana		
Sycamore	Nathan & Georgia		
Hornbeam	Logan & Charlotte		

Attendance

Well done to Beech, Rowan, Maple, Willow & Hornbeam classes for achieving over 96% attendance this week.

Fun Run

A huge thank you to everyone who sent in sponsor money for the Halloween Fun Run. The children have raised an impressive grand total of £1030.04 beating last year's total of £786.60 A huge well done to everyone who took part and donated!!!

Christmas Jumper Swap

We were planning on holding a Christmas Jumper Swap Shop at the end of November however, we haven't received many donations. If you do have any Christmas jumpers/Christmas clothing that no longer fits your child. Please could they be brought into school by next **Friday 24**th **November.**

Christmas Hamper Raffles

Next week we are sending home raffle tickets for our Daily Christmas Raffles that will take place each school day throughout December. Tickets will cost £2.00 each and can be paid for in your Arbor App. As this is a Friends fundraiser we are also able to accept cash. We will send paper tickets home as we know family members who can't access Arbor often like to join in. Please send the purchased tickets back to class in a sealed envelope with the buyer's name, child's name and class along with the money (unless paying via Arbor). Additional ticket books can be requested from the school office.

The Friends Of Strike Lane School

Our School's PTA (Parent Teacher Association) or The Friends as they're better known in school are very much at the heart of our school community. The Friends continuously support Strike Lane School to create a better environment for children to learn by bringing parents, teachers and children together to raise funds and strengthen our school community. The money that The Friends raise is usually spent on things that the school budget does not cover.

Joining The Friends can be a great way to get to know our school environment and make new friends whilst helping to raise much needed funds that will make a difference for your children right now and for generations to come.

There is no expectation of any parent volunteer, any amount of time you can give will always be well received by The Friends and there are a variety of ways you can get involved such as: volunteering and coordinating events, engaging with social media activity, donating raffle prizes and sharing ideas for improvements.

We make it clear that parents can come to The Friends meetings to just listen and learn, or they can take a more active role if they wish, there are no set expectations. Please come along if you're able to do so.

If you would like to get involved with The Friends or would like any further information please email

friendsofstrikelaneschool@gmail.com

Join our 100 Club

Do you fancy being in with a chance of winning £15 every month?

Join the Friends of Strike Lane 100

Club today!



The Friends thank you for your continued support raising extra funds for school!





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LAST YEAR, YOUR SUPPORT HELPED TO DONATE OVER £5.3M BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE





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Join Jeff Kinney's No Brainer Show



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join **Diary of a Wimpy Kid** creator, **just Kinney**, at the **No Brainer Show** when he brings this to Westholme School, as one of just two
stops on his UK tour!

Come on down and unlock your brain power! The No Brainer Show is an outrageously entertaining one-hour event hosted in-person by best-selling Diary of a Wimpy Kid author Jeff Kinney! Audience members will be invited to join Jeff on stage and face-off in brain-challenging game show-style events to support their local library! Expect an epically fun, family-friendly event that celebrates the latest Wimpy Kid book and explores the outer limits of the brain!



Tickets are priced at £15 and each ticket will admit one child and one accompanying adult only. Admission includes one hardback copy of Diary of a Wimpy Kid No Brainer.

There will be no meet or greet or photo opportunities at this event. In addition to the pre-signed book included with your ticket, pre-signed copies of all Awesome Friendly Kid and Diary of a Wimpy Kid books will be available for purchase at the event.

15 November, 6.45pm (doors open at 6.15pm), Croston Theatre, Westholme. Book here









Holy Trinity Church Lytham Road Freckleton Preston PR4 1AA



Schedule - November 2023

Wed. 01 Nov.	19:30	Memorial service at Holy Trinity Church		
Thu. 02 Nov.	19:30	Memorial service at St Paul's		
Sat. 04 Nov.	10:00	Coffee morning		
Sun. 05 Nov.	11:00	Worship4U		
		'Invitation for everyone'		
Wed. 08 Nov.	14:00	Mothers' Union		
Thu. 09 Nov.	09:15	CE School Eucharist		
Sat. 11 Nov.	10:00	St Paul's Little Café		
Sun. 12 Nov. 10:55 Please arrive by 10:55 for the Act of Remembrance to begin promptly at 11:00.		Parish Communion Remembrance Sunday		
	12:15	Village Remembrance service at the war memorial		
Sun. 19 Nov.	11:00	Parish Communion		
Sun. 26 Nov.	11:00	Parish Communion		
Thu. 30 Nov.	09:15	CE School Eucharist		



