

STRIKE LANE NEWS 20th October 2023

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe that the first half term for this school year has now been completed. What a busy half term it has been with visits, trips, Friends events and meetings for next year's new starters also.

Thank you to Noah, Katie H, Bertie and Amelia M who did an amazing job of showing some of our potential new families around on Wednesday afternoon. The families were very impressed with their knowledge of the school and their enthusiasm, as well as Amanda, our cook's, great samples of food. We are holding two more sessions for potential new starters on Wednesday 1st November at 2pm and also at 5pm so please share this information with those who you know are looking for school places. We also have places available in our Reception – Year 4 classes if you know of any families new to the area or in need of a change of school, visits can be arranged through the school office.

As the Year 1 parents will know unfortunately Mrs Postlethwaite will not be returning to Strike Lane. However, Mrs Jackson has said she will be delighted to continue to teach Year 1 until the return of Mrs Kershaw so we are very pleased that she will be staying with us and providing some much need consistency for Year 1.

I would also like to share with you that Mrs Winter has now officially retired from Strike Lane. We wish Mrs Winter well in her retirement and thank her for her many years of dedicated service at Strike Lane, she has been missed in her absence by staff and children alike.

Today has been a great fun-filled last day of half term with the children in their Hallowe'en costumes completing their sponsored circuits in the hall. What a shame the weather had to change our plans a little but we all still had great fun. Please return your sponsor money to class after the half term holiday and Friends should hopefully be able to give us an update on how much we have raised in the next newsletter.

Have a wonderful half term break from school and we will look forward to seeing you in the Christmas half term. There is lots to look forward to including Christmas Fairs, Reception and KS1 Productions and the Christmas Pantomime at the Lowther Theatre.

Take care everybody, Katherine Shuttleworth

Dates for your diary (new dates in red)

Friday 20th October – School Closes For Half Term (usual finishing times apply) Monday 30th October – School Re-Opens To All Pupils

Wednesday 1st November – 2pm-3pm -Reception 24 Starters Open Day Wednesday 1st November – 5pm-6pm -Reception 24 Starters Open Day

Friday 3rd November – Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 7th November – Rec & Yr 6 Height and Weight Checks & Y6 Health Needs Questionnaire

Thursday 16th November-Monday 20th November – Book Fair in School Thursday 16th November – Y6 Library Visit Friday 17th November – Children in Need Monday 20th November – 3pm–4:30pm – Parent Book Look

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

School Meal Price Increase

With the ever-increasing costs involved with the purchasing and supply of school dinners, the governing body has had to make the unwelcome decision to increase the cost of a school meal to £2.50 with effect from 30th October 2023.

Should any parents think they may be eligible for free school meals then please apply via the link below:

https://lancashire-

self.achieveservice.com/service/Free school m eals and pupil premium

Parents & Carers with children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 should still apply even though you receive Universal Free School Meals as this will provide extra funding for school and ensure that you receive free meals from Year 3 onwards.

Class Attendance (week ending (20/10/23)	Weekly			
Oak	93.3%			
Beech	94.7%			
Rowan	95.5%			
Maple	90.1%			
Willow	96.0%			
Sycamore	93.4%			
Hornbeam	90.0%			

Progress Cup Winners

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

Year Group	Progress Cup Winners
Oak	Reginald
Beech	Summer-Leigh
Rowan	Tommy
Maple	Indie
Willow	Норе
Sycamore	Eli
Hornbeam	Kristi

Attendance

Well done to Willow class for achieving 96% attendance this week.

Care Club Kindness Award

A huge well done to Harlow in Y2 who has won the Care Club Kindness Award this half term. Harlow always demonstrates kind and caring behavior to both staff and fellow Care Club children.

We hope you are very proud of your achievement.

Poppy Appeal

After half term we will continue to sell a limited supply of poppies, snap bands, bracelets and zip-pulls in support of The Royal British Legion. These items will be available to buy from the school office each morning and at the end of the school day for a small charitable donation.

Finance

As we are now at the end of half term it would be appreciated if accounts could be brought up to date and any outstanding payments could be made at your earliest convenience. This includes payments for Care Club, lunches and any school trips.

Christmas Jumper Swap

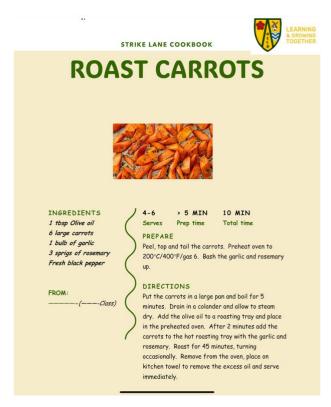
We are planning on holding a Christmas Jumper Swap Shop in November where parents are encouraged to bring in any Christmas jumpers that no longer fit their children. It would be great if families could take some time to root out any Christmas Jumpers to donate over the half term holidays so that we can gather together some stock that we can recycle to families towards the end of November.

Recipe collection

As our gardening project is coming to an end, we would like to celebrate our success by produci a recipe book to share with parents made up of all your favourite recipes. Children have already been talking about excellent family recipes that they cook at home.

There is a folder on your child's class Showbie where we would like children to submit a recipe using one (or more) of the ingredients we have grown at school : ca rrots, peas, beetroot, pumpkins, sweetcorn, green beans, tomatoes, onions. If the children would like to make the food at home and include a photo of their food in the recipe that would be excellent. We will leave it up to the children or parents to decide the layout they would like their recipe to take but please can they include their name somewhere on the recipe There are a couple of examplesof layouts below but we will leave it up to your creativity. Please could the recipes be submitted as a photo which will make it easier to compile intoan e-book. The closing date for submissions is November 5th at 4pm. We look forward to receiving your entries and compiling them into a book.





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!



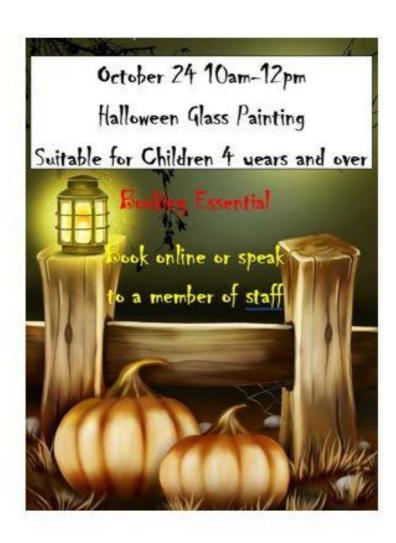


Monday 23 October 2pm-3:30pm

Entry £2 per adult 50p per child Refreshments will be provided.







Email - Freckleton.library@lancashire.gov.uk or book online the LCC Website



Saturday 28 October 2023 10am-12pm
Half Term Coding Special using Botley
the coding robot and programming Lego
stylographs.

Drop-in Session No Booking Required





Talent 4 Care

Do you want to work in Health and Social Care? Interested in training and gaining qualifications with direct access to employers who have job vacancies?

What's in it for you:

- · gain health and social care qualifications over a 6-week training programme
- guaranteed interview with organisations across the health and social care sector
- · support with opportunities to find employment across the sector
- · opportunities for further training and career development
- bursary of £10 per week with 90% course attendance
- support with travel expenses* and childcare*
- · free breakfast
- · free food vouchers to use at participating stores

This course is available to anyone who is wanting to work in health and social care and is over the age of 19*. The course is Monday - Thursday from 10um -2:30pm for 6 weeks at the Health and Social Care Career Academy at Bickerstaffe House.

What you will learn:

During the programme you will gain several health and social care qualifications including Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care, Employability Skills, Well being with an opportunity to do functional skills in Maths and English. There is an opportunity to progress onto further study and gain a level 2 qualification.

Interested?

Please email helen.cook@blackpool.ac.uk to express your interest and we will invite you to enrol onto the next programme. We run the Talent4Care 6 times throughout the year.

(*19 years by 31/08/23, eligibility criteria)

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The training programme will take place at:

Bickerstaffe House 1 Bickerstaffe Square Talbot Road Blackpool FY1 3AH

Telephone: 01253 504202

hscacademy.org.uk



Meet providers from across the Fylde Coast and discover various career opportunities in health and social care.

Jobs Fair

Monday 30th October 2023

10am -12 noon

- support roles
- health care assistants
- activity co-ordinators
- chef
- mental health support staff
- cleaning roles

Health & Social Care Career Academy, Bickerstaffe House, Bickerstaffe Square, 1 Talbot Road (next door to Sainsbury's and round the back of Subway).

Come along on the day

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Holy Trinity Church Lytham Road Freckleton Preston PR4 1AA



Schedule - October 2023

Sun. 01 Oct.	11:00	Worship4U 'Harvest for everyone'
Sat. 07 Oct.	19:00	Benefice Harvest social at the Rawstorne Centre – admission by advance ticket
Sun. 08 Oct.	11:00	Parish Communion
Wed. 11 Oct.	14:00	Mothers' Union
Sat. 14 Oct.	10:00	St Paul's Little Café
	19:30	Warton Singers concert at St Paul's
Sun. 15 Oct.	11:00	Parish Communion
Thu. 19 Oct.	09:15	CE School Harvest Festival
Sun. 22 Oct.	11:00	Parish Communion
Sun. 29 Oct.	09:45	Joint service <u>at St Paul's</u> No 11:00 service at HT







The Joint Benefice of Freckleton Holy Trinity and Warton St Paul Preston, Lancashire



Memorial service

Wednesday 1 November, 19:30 at Holy Trinity, Freckleton

Thursday 2 November, 19:30 at St Paul's, Warton

We hold this service to remember those whose funeral was in the past year, but it's open to everyone who wishes to join us in prayer and reflection over the loss of a loved one, no matter how long ago.



www.freckletonparishchurch.org.uk