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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week our Year 5 children have visited London. They set off a little later than expected due to some train delays thanks to the weather but have been having a wonderful time there. I am expecting some very tired but happy children and staff back, later on this evening.

I hope you all manage to take part in our Bake-Off Competition this weekend. Children can bake, cookies, cupcakes or a Showstopper and donate money to Macmilllan Cancer via our Arbor Shop. All entries need to be uploaded to Showbie or Tapestry for Reception by 4pm on Monday 2nd October and the winners of each category will be announced on Monday 9th October.

Unfortunately, Mrs Postlethwaite in Year 1 has been unwell this week so I would like to thank Mrs Richards and Mrs Ashworth for doing a fabulous job of keeping the teaching and learning going in Year 1. Next week we should be joined by Miss Jackson a cover teacher who has been sent all the plans for next week's learning. If you have any concerns about your child during Mrs Postlethwaite's absence, then please raise them with Mrs Richards in the first instance.

Next Wednesday afternoon, Year 6 will be visiting Carr Hill to meet the author Frank Cottrell—Boyce, who will be promoting and speaking about his new book 'The Wonder Brothers'. Copies of his book will be available for purchase at £9 per copy rather than the usual £13. These need to be pre-ordered and paid for on Arbor by 4pm on Tuesday 3rd October.

Enjoy the weekend everybody,

Katherine Shuttleworth

STRIKE LANE NEWS 29th September 2023

Dates for your diary (new dates in red)

Friday 29th **September –** Macmillan Bake Off **Monday 2**nd **October** – Y6 Bikeability

Wednesday 4th October – Y6 Carr Hill Book Signing

Monday 9th October – Y2 Church Visit

Thursday 12th **October – 3:30pm-5:30pm** – DVD Night

Wednesday 18th October – 2pm-3pm – Reception 24 Starters Open Day

Friday 20th **October** – Progress & Kindness Cup Assembly

Friday 20th October – 2:15pm-3:30pm – Halloween Fun Run

Friday 20th October – Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale 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

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

Your financial circumstances may have changed over the summer and your child may be entitled to free school meals/pupil premium. You can quickly check your eligibility by visiting the following website,

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/

Please be aware school receives additional funding for any pupil premium children we have on roll so it would be appreciated if you check your eligibility and apply if entitled.

2024 Primary & Secondary School Places

Lancashire County Council's school admissions for children starting primary school or moving to secondary school in September 2024 is now open. Parents can apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools - it's quick and easy!

The national closing dates for applications are **Tuesday 31 October 2023** for secondary applicants and **Monday 15 January 2024** for primary applicants.

Class Attendance (week ending (29/09/23)	Weekly		
Oak	95.4%		
Beech	94.7%		
Rowan	99.1%		
Maple	96.7%		
Willow	96.8%		
Sycamore	93.9%		
Hornbeam	90.7%		

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	Erik & Imogen		
Beech	Ned & Bonnie		
Rowan	Henry & Albie		
Maple	Bella & Henry		
Willow	Jake & Parker		
Sycamore	The Whole Class		
Hornbeam	Sophie & Amelia M		

Attendance

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

Parental Consents

We are still outstanding a number of parental consents for photos, local visits, and PG movies. Those who have children in Yrs 5 & 6 will have also received an additional "permission to walk home alone" consent. Please log in to your Arbor app and the consent forms can be found in the "Notices" section at the top of your Arbor dashboard. It would be appreciated if these could be completed as soon as possible.

Y6 Bikeability

Please remember that Y6 have their second bikeability session on Monday. Y6 children can come to school in their own clothes on this day. Bikes and helmets are to be brought into school from the KS2 playground. Bikes and helmets will be provided for anyone who previously requested one.

100 Club

The Friends of Strike Lane School would like to welcome you to join The Friends 100 Club. The 100 Club is a great way for you to support The Friends by having a bit of a flutter and being in with the chance of winning cash prizes each month as well as raising additional funds for our school.

The annual subscription is £10 and can be paid for via Arbor. This will buy you one membership number, additional numbers can be purchased at a cost of £10 per number.

There will be 10 draws per year and each draw will take place on/around the first Friday of each month.

Each month the winners will be notified by phone and we will also publish names of winners in our school newsletter and on The Friends Facebook page.

If you have any queries or need confirmation of your 100 Club number please email **friendsofstrikelaneschool@gmail.com**

DVD Night

The Friends will be holding their next DVD Night on Thursday 12th October 3:30pm-5:30pm. Tickets cost £3.00 and can be paid for in the "School Shop" section of your Arbor app. Payments must be made by 9pm on Wednesday 11th October 2023 and we cannot accept any extra children on the night. Due to Health and safety restrictions we have to limit the attendance to this event to a maximum 120 children.

Our Gardening Project – it's harvest time!

This week has been a busy time for our gardening project. Groups of children have been busy measuring vegetables: the height of the plants, the size and weight of the vegetables and the health of the plants. They are going to study the data in their classes and see if they can make any conclusions about the variables they have been studying—we will keep you posted!

Of course, there would be no point harvesting the vegetables if we couldn't eat them, so the kitchen kindly prepared the sweetcorn on Wednesday and the children enjoyed eating it with their school dinners. It went down very well.

Hopefully there will be more cooking over the next few weeks!

















Join our Family Bake Off on the weekend of Friday 29th - Sunday 1st October 2023

3 Categories to enter:
Biscuit Bonanza
Showstopper
Cutest Cupcake

£3 per entry paid on Arbor

Photos with bakes uploaded to Showbie (Tapestry for Oak Class)
Eat with the family





Winners announced on Monday 9th October

Beware Fake Bakes will be Charged at £5 per entry

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!



DVD Night

Thursday 12th October

3.30pm - 5.30pm



Tickets £3, including a hot dog and a drink

Tickets will be available to purchase on Arbor 2 weeks

before the event

There will be sweets and drinks available to purchase on the evening, please bring some extra pocket money

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Do you have a child starting secondary school in September 2024 and living in Lancashire?

Apply now and check your eligibility for school transport at:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

or call 01524 581148

Closing date: 31 October 2023

You must apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school.



Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces and click 'school admission policies'.

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