



Dear Parents, Carers & Children

The Lion King

What a performance! I hope you all enjoyed our whole school production. We wanted to ensure every child had a moment to shine whether through dance, song, acting or behind the scenes and I was blown away by the level of talent on display. Our lead performers were captivating, our dancers were dazzling, the singing was heart-warming and the backstage crew held the production together. Huge thanks to all of Team Newburgh for working so hard to put on such an impressive production in a short space of time. It's a privilege to lead our team of pupils and staff as they are all exceptional. Huge thanks to the PTA for serving refreshments at our performances - £160 was raised in total which has contributed to the new speakers and microphones used during the performances.

Music Day

Our intention with Music Day was to demonstrate the many ways in which music already plays a role in our lives and how to get even more enjoyment from this. Our incredible music specialist Mr Scott led the day. Mr Scott already delivers music in Team Rigby and Team Venables and leads our school choir. During our assembly to launch the day Mr Scott demonstrated playing the various instruments. He then led music lessons in each of our classes teaching everyone our new school song which he has written along with music appreciation and composing. We have also enjoyed karaoke and a disco as part of our celebration of music. The performance given by children at the end of the day was a fabulous end to a very special day.

Website Updates

We have created a [Water Safety](#) page with guidance about keeping safe around open water. Please take a look at the resources available there. Our [Wake Up Wednesday](#) page has been updated with guidance about Generative AI Safety.

Coming Up

On Monday our winning houses Silver Birch and Willow are invited to come to school in non-uniform on Monday as they earned the most points the most times this term – well done!

We are sadly now getting ready to say a final farewell to our Year 6 pupils who will leave us ready for the next chapter of their lives. Their families are invited to join us for their Leavers' Assembly on Tuesday at 9am.

Warmest Regards,





Our Shining Lights:

This week those children who have been shining lights in school are:-

Jenson & Jasmine – for caring for the duck & ducklings that lived in their garden.

Year 5 Boys – for their fantastic singing.

Edward – for getting Merit in his Grade 3 trombone & piano exams.

Alex – for getting Merit in his Grade 1 trombone exam.

Alfie A – for having such lovely manners.

All of Team Nursery – for their hard work preparing for the sing-along on Friday.

Joseph – for making sure Team Crane got on stage at the correct times.

All of Team Crane – for performing so brilliantly during The Lion King and all their effort during rehearsals.

To The Cast & Crew of The Lion King – for working so hard putting on such an amazing show for our community.

Well done for letting your light shine this week in school.



Family Service

Our Family Service Team have planned the next all age worship which will take place on Sunday 20th July here at school. Everyone is very welcome to attend – please bring a picnic! This service is the slightly later time of 11am.

Please note, if the weather is not kind the picnic will take place indoors.

Time to Shine

Those children who have demonstrated both effort in school and the Gospel Value of Friendship are:-

Team Crane

All Team Crane

Team Lucas

All Year 1

All Year 2

Team Rigby 3

All of Year 3

Team Rigby 4

All of Year 4

Team Venables

All of Year 5

All of Year 6

Congratulations to the **SILVER BIRCH & WILLOW FAMILY** for gaining the most points this week.

Times Tables Rock Stars Leaderboard:-

Returns after the holidays – keep practising!.....

Next Week at Newburgh:-

Dinners – Week 1

Mon – Winning House Non-Uniform Day

Tues – Leavers' Assembly at 9am. Break up for the summer holidays at 2.30pm (No ASC available).



Ready for Next Academic Year:

Whilst we may be coming to a close for this academic year we are already planning for next academic year. Please be aware of the following:-

- Breakfast and Afterschool Club places have been allocated from September. We are very sorry but our Early Bird Breakfast Club is fully booked up all week, we have no ad hoc spaces available for this. Once again we are not able to provide all the places that are required. It is your responsibility to keep your account in credit or your place will be forfeited and given to someone else.
- Children in Year 3 will no longer receive Universal Free School Meals. The cost of a school meal is £2.90 per day. Please let us know, therefore, if your child will be switching to Packed Lunches.
- Our Year 5 children have all been given a form to complete to apply to be a Prefect. Please ensure these forms are handed in by Friday 5th September.
- Our Baby and Toddler Group starts again at 9.15 on Monday 8th September.
- Choir Club returns on Friday 12th September 2025 at 8am.
- Mrs Duthie will be holding a Reading Workshop aimed at the parents of children in Reception (Nursery parents are also very welcome to come along). This will be on Tuesday 9th September at 5.30pm.
- On Wednesday 17th September we will hold our Welcome Worship at 9.15am in church. Parents of children in Reception and Year 6 are invited to join us as we welcome our new Reception children into the Newburgh Family and pair them with their Year 6 buddies.
- Years 5 and 6 will start swimming lessons again on Thursday 18th September – please see our [PE page](#) for more information about this.
- Year 5 will participate in Bikeability from 22nd-24th September. Bikeability teaches how to ride bikes safely on the road. Only children able to competently ride a bike will be able to participate in the full programme so please work on bike riding over the summer if your child needs this. If your child does not have a bike please let us know ASAP so we can try to loan a bike (we have to submit our request by 8th September). Please see our [PE page](#) for more information about the Bikeability programme.
- School and Eco Council election day is Thursday 25th September for which children may prepare a presentation or poster. Our Year 6 School Council members are Head Boy and Head Girl. Please note ONLY powerpoint presentations and posters may be submitted – merchandise must not be handed out on the school playground to sway voting.
- Team Venables will have their first trip on Thursday 9th October to Shakespeare North Playhouse to see The Tempest by William Shakespeare.
- Team Venables will also have their residential trip to Tower Wood Wednesday 25th February – Friday 27th February 2026. More details to follow about this.

Finally if any of you have old balance bikes you no longer use we would love to give them a home so our Early Years children can practice bike skills all year round – Thank you very much.



Message for Year 5 Parents:

Dear Parents/Kinship Carers of Current Year 5 pupils

Before the summer holidays begin, we wanted to get in touch with you about next term's prospective secondary school application, and how important it is to consider home to transport prior to making your final decision.

You must consider carefully how your child will get to and from your preferred secondary schools before submitting your application for a school place.

Pupils will only be eligible for free travel if they have an entitlement under the County Council's [Home to School Transport Policy](#). It is important, when selecting your preferences for a school place, that you have read and understood the information available on the [website](#) regarding [school admissions](#) and [travel assistance](#).

It is essential to remember - for transport purposes - the 'nearest suitable school' is the nearest school to the family home – and - in some cases, the nearest school will be located within another local authority area.

If you choose to send your child to a school that Lancashire County Council does not consider to be the nearest suitable school, there is no duty to provide free transport. You will need to make your own transport arrangements.

Assistance with home to school travel will not be needed for most children as they will attend their local school which will be within a reasonable walking distance when accompanied by a parent/carer as necessary.

However, if transport costs are a concern to you, please contact your Area Education Office before submitting your application:

NORTH AREA	SOUTH AREA	EAST AREA
Lancaster, Morecambe, Wyre and Fylde	Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley	Hyndburn, Ribble Valley, Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale
(01524) 581148	(01772) 532109	(01254) 220747

If your child is not eligible for free travel assistance but you would like your child to travel to school by bus, you may be able to buy a season travel pass from us.

The County Council will not provide extra services for non-statutory pupils and you will need to [plan how your child will get to school](#) if space on the bus is not available.

Please call 0300-123-6738 or visit [School bus season tickets - Lancashire County Council](#) to make an application.

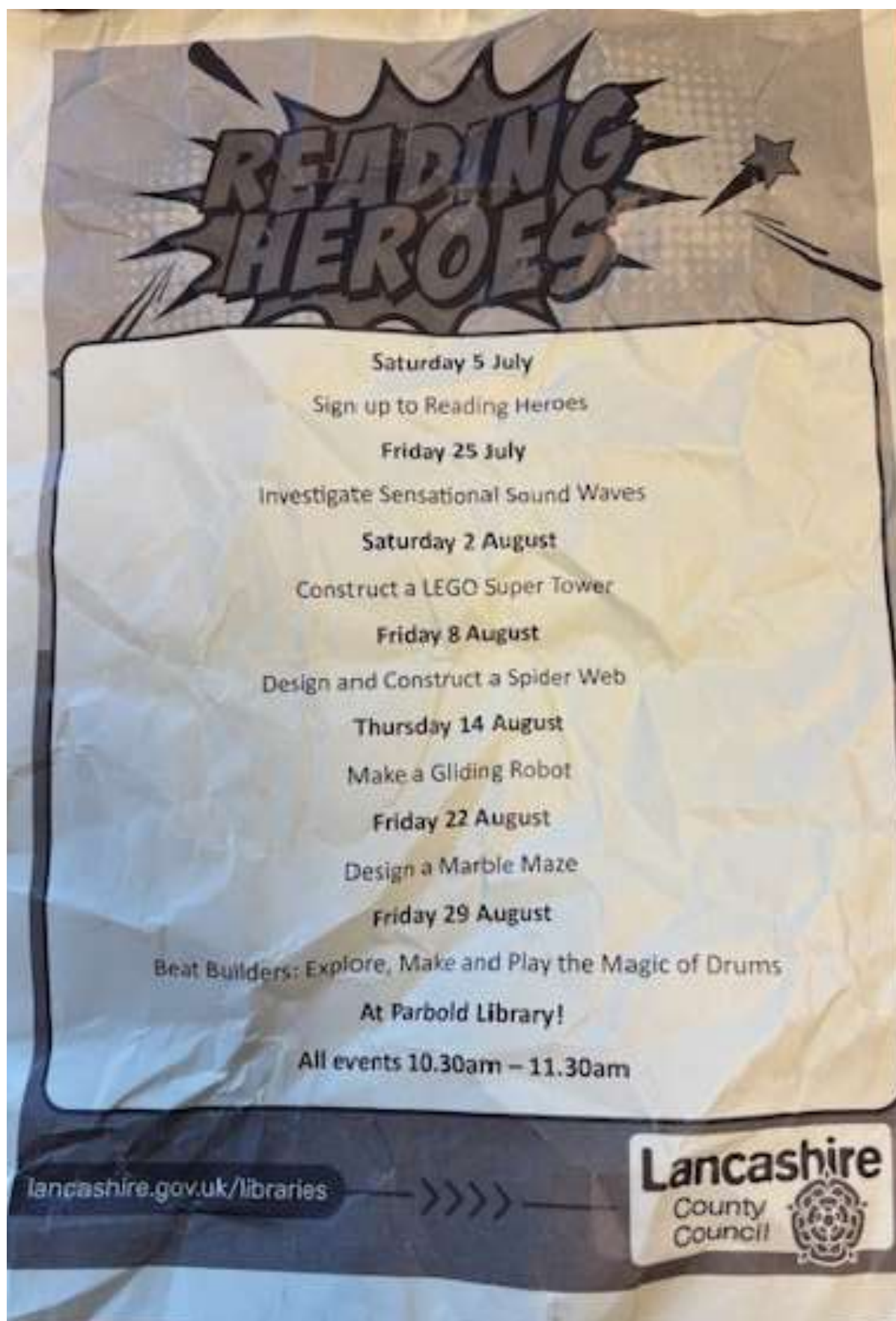
It is important to plan ahead. Please make sure that appropriate transport is available, should a place be allocated at your preferred school.

Secondary School Open Days

Secondary School Open Days happen in September ready for making school choices by the end of October for Year 6 children. Year 5 families may also wish to attend to prepare for making their choices next year. Dates to save are:

Thursday 18th September 4-7pm Burscough Priory Academy

Thursday 25th September 4.30-7pm Ormskirk School





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MON 4TH - FRI 8TH AUG

MON 11TH - FRI 15TH AUG

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until

4.30PM

To book your child's place please visit <https://ec.schoolactivity.co.uk>

and if you have any queries please email holidaycamps@endeavourlearning.org



Summer Holiday Water Safety Message from The Lancashire Water Safety Partnership

Following several tragic drowning incidents over the last few years, including this year both in Lancashire itself and involving Lancashire residents in other locations, could the message below the line and attachments (a short 'Float To Live' film link made by the RNLI is also included within the message) please be sent out via your usual communication channels, including traditional (if still possible), e-mail newsletters and social media platforms, to help make your young people and their families aware of the risks of entering open water, particularly where it is not organised and at unauthorised locations which are usually unsupervised.

Drowning Prevention - stay safe near water from The Lancashire Water Safety Partnership

When the warm weather hits, please don't be tempted to cool off by jumping into open water, particularly from height -

- The water is colder than it looks, even on a warm evening or sunny day
 - This can lead to cold water shock
- Currents may be stronger than they look and even hidden
- There are often hidden dangers beneath the surface and water can be polluted

If you see someone in trouble in the water:

- **Call** 999;
- **Tell them** not to panic and, if they can't stand, to [float on their back](#) in a starfish shape. When calmer, encourage them towards you.
- **Throw** them something that floats or a throw/life line

World Drowning Prevention Day (Friday July 25) [World Drowning Prevention Day - 25 July \(rnli.org\)](https://www.rnli.org)

To help raise awareness, landmarks across the whole of Lancashire are being lit blue on the Thursday evening. Please look out for those that take part to remind us that 'anyone can drown, no one should'. In previous years these have included Blackpool Tower, Fleetwood Marine Hall, Lytham Windmill, Chorley Town Hall, Ormskirk Clock Tower, Skelmersdale Light Cube, Rivington Pike and the Pigeon Tower. We will post further details and confirm the locations nearer the time on our Social Media Platforms. We would love to see your photos of them, so if you spot any (only the buildings though please – try not to include people sorry) you can send the pictures to - preventionsupport@lancsfirerescue.org.uk

You can find really good practical water safety advice for all different situations from Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service and partner organisations by clicking on this link [Water Safety | Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service \(lancsfirerescue.org.uk\)](https://lancsfirerescue.org.uk)



LANCASHIRE FAMILY HUBS NETWORK
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PARK PICNIC

Location
Richmond Park,
Junction Lane,
Burscough, L40 5SS

Time
11th August 2025
11-2pm

FREE

AGES 0-11

Join us for a fun-filled session in the park with family games, activities and more!

Children and Family Wellbeing Service

SCAN TO BOOK

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