



Dear Parents, Carers & Children

Enrichment

It's been an engaging week at Newburgh with the return of music and PE lessons and the start of football, tri-golf, choir and outdoor activities clubs. Our Key Stage 2 children are learning the ukulele this year. We also had a visit from George the Dog who attends school once a month to hear children read.

Class Pages

All our class pages have been updated with information about the curriculum your child will be following this year. Please take in order to support them this term.

Council Elections & Job Advertisements

Our School and Eco Council elections are on 25th September. Children are invited to produce a poster or manifesto to share with their class to be considered for one of these roles. Our Key Stage 2 Jobs will be advertised next week for children to apply for.

Website Updates

Our [Wake Up Wednesday](#) page has been updated with guidance about 'Conspiracy Theories'.

Next Week At Newburgh

Next Wednesday morning we will have our Welcome Worship to formally welcome Reception children to our school. Families of children in Reception and Year 6 are invited to attend as our Year 6 children will lead the worship. On Thursday children in Venables have swimming lessons again. Please visit ParentPay to give permission for them to participate. They will need swimming trunks/costume & hats, goggles and towel in a plastic bag.

And Finally:

Our PTA AGM is on Wednesday 24th September and will be held either in the library or Venables classroom. Every parent is a member of our PTA and we welcome all of you to attend. Please walk straight up to the top of the playground and PTA members will be there to greet you.

Newburgh Fair Committee are raising funds for next year's fair. They are holding a wine and cheese evening on Saturday 11th October at 7pm in Newburgh Sports Club. Tickets are £25 per person. If you want to send money in to school to purchase tickets please put the correct cash in a clearly named envelope.

Warmest Regards,





Our Shining Lights:

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

Team Crane

Millie – for being a kind and supportive friend.

Team Lucas

Alfie, Pip & Anabelle – for super maths, making sets of 10.

Isla – for great home reading.

Georgia – for super sentence work.

Jenson, Freddie, Marty – for good listening in PE.

All of Lucas – for 2 great PE lessons, lots of good listening and following instructions.

Gabe – for walking around our school sensibly.

Team Rigby

Alfie – for being an excellent role model and for working extremely hard.

Harvey – for being a good friend.

Suzie – for beautiful shading in art.

Noah – for beautiful manners.

Team Venables

Coen – for super geography.

Year 6 Buddies – for making such an effort with their Team Crane Buddies.

Julia – for fantastic participation in maths this week.

All of Year 6 – for a fantastic first meeting with their buddies. You were complimented on your kindness and enthusiasm.

Rhianna – for being a great seating partner and friend to others.

Oliver – for walking around our school sensibly.

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

Primary and Secondary Admissions September 2026:

Admissions are now open for children due to start primary and secondary schools in September 2026. To apply for places please go to: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

The closing date to apply for secondary school places (current Year 6 pupils) is: **Sunday 31st October 2025.**

Secondary school offers are confirmed to parents on **Monday 2nd March 2026.**

The closing date to apply for primary school places (current Nursery children) is: **15th January 2026.**

Primary school offers are confirmed to parents on **Thursday 16th April 2026.**

Time to Shine

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

Team Crane

Rowan

Team Lucas

Alfie

Cora

Team Rigby

Amari

Ollie

Team Venables

Lily

Coen

Congratulations to the **OAK FAMILY** for gaining the most points this week.

Next Week at Newburgh:-

KS2 Jobs Advertised

Dinners – Week 3

Mon – Special Lunch Menu.

Weds – Welcome Worship at 9.15am

Thurs – Whole School Music Assembly; Venables swimming starts.

PTA Thanks:



Thanks to the PTA for donating a book to each member of Team Crane!



Message for Year 6 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 Evenings

Secondary School Open Days happen in September/October 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; 5-7.30pm Lathom High School

Thursday 25th September 4.30-7pm Ormskirk School; Bishop Rawstorne

Wednesday 1st October 4-8pm Tarleton Academy

Thursday 2nd October 5-7.30pm Upholland High School

Friday 3rd October 6pm St Bede's High School