



Ightenhill Nursery School Newsletter

21st November 2025

Messages

Parents Evening:

Thank you to all parents/ carers who attended parent's evening. Thank you for your positive feedback and comments. We will share the questionnaire data/ information when the analysis is completed.

Dates for your Diary



Friday 5th December - Christmas Craft Day – parents/ carers will be invited to come to nursery to do a variety of Christmas crafts with your child. Details to follow.

Friday 19th December - Christmas party day – more details to follow. This is also the last day of term.

Tuesday 6th January - children return to nursery.

Primary School Applications for September 2026

[Starting primary school \(reception\) - Lancashire County Council](#)

Above is a link with more information about applying for your primary school place. Parents of those children who's 4th birthday is between 01.09.25 and 31.08.26 need to apply for a school place. The deadline for applications is 15th January 2026. Please see a member of staff if you would like support with completing the application.

Nut Free Nursery



We have a child in Nursery with a nut allergy. The following items should not be brought into nursery:

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts
- Any home cooked meals for packed lunches that are made from nuts

This list is not exhaustive, so please check the packaging of products closely. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

Please ensure that your child does not bring food containing nuts, thank you.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have two Parent governor vacancies. Attached to this newsletter is some information about the role of a parent governor. If you would like more information please contact Mrs Daniels-Green.

Weather Appropriate Clothing

Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather E.g. wearing jumpers, warm coats, hat, scarf and gloves especially on Forest School days. Thankyou.



SNACK MONEY

We kindly ask for a contribution towards snacks. £2 week for 15 hour places and £3 per week for 30 hour places.

This also contributes to dressing up items, ingredients for baking, gifts at Easter and Christmas and special visitors such as the owls and mini beasts etc.

If you would like to pay for this half term, the amounts are:

Am or pm session only places: £14

30 hours places: £21

If you would like to pay via bank transfer the details are below:



Ightham Nursery School

Sort Code: 40-15-17

Account Number: 41031333



RAINBOW ROOM'S SKILLS TO PRACTISE AT HOME:



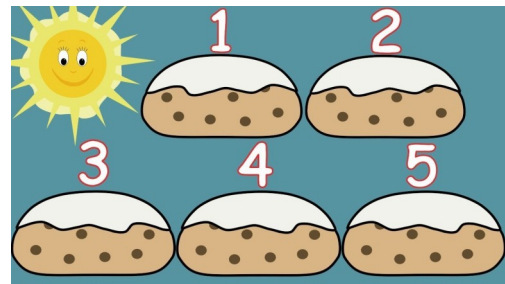
**Turning pages in a book
one at a time**



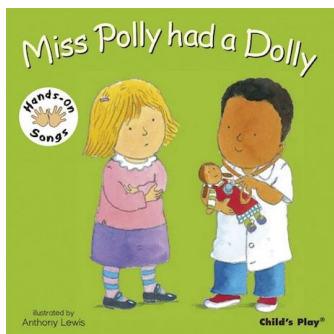
RAINBOW ROOM



This week in the Rainbow Room we have been reading 'Fox's Socks' as our focus story. We have been painting fire engines, using the skill of making marks in different directions. Following the children's interest in 'people who help us', this week we took on the role of a fire fighter and re-enacted our previous focus story of 'Fireman Small' by rescuing a cat from a tree! The children used their problem-solving skill to work out how we could help the cat, with ideas such as 'climb up', 'get a ladder' and 'pick me up'. The children have also been strengthening their fingers and working their fine motor skills to put the fires out using spray bottles. Our number song this week is 'Five Currant Buns'. We have also been sorting and categorizing items, such as putting all the cars together in groups and all of the bears together in another group.



[Five Currant Buns in a Baker's Shop! Nursery Rhyme for babies and toddlers from Sing and Learn!](#)



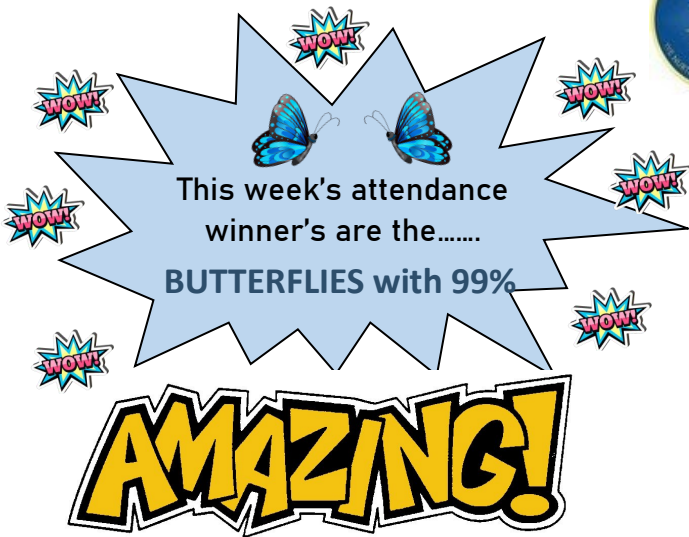
[Miss Polly Had A Dolly! Nursery Rhyme for Babies and Toddlers from Sing and Learn!](#)



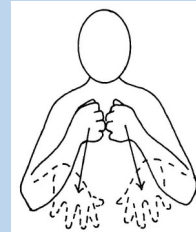
SUNFLOWER ROOM



This week in the Sunflower room we have started a new topic, 'People who help us.' We have been talking about different jobs that people might do, with a focus on the emergency services. We had a visit from two police officers this week who explained the role of the police to us and let us try on different items of police uniform. We have also enjoyed playing with our new small world sets for police, firefighters, ambulance service and construction workers. Outside we have been playing parachute games where we had to work together and practising our jumping skills, jumping from hoop to hoop.



THE MAKATON SIGN OF THE WEEK IS: FINISH



Facebook Page



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<https://www.facebook.com/share/17T8zPqxEO/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

Mission Statement

The focus of the school community at Ightenhill Nursery is to nurture each child in a happy and secure environment, encouraging them to develop and learn and to meet their full potential whilst having fun.
We nurture, we learn, we grow!

Key Contacts

Headteacher Mrs Daniels-Green

Number for the school office- 01282 427154





PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

There are places for two parent governors on the governing body of this school. They are elected by the parents of pupils at this school to serve a two year term of office. There is now a vacancy for one parent governor.

Being a governor is a valuable role that offers not only the chance to make a positive difference to the lives of our children but also a good personal development opportunity. Training and development opportunities are provided to all governors.

Below is some information about the role of a parent governor. If you are interested in being a parent governor, please request a pack from the school office. If you are interested in being a parent governor and would like more information, please speak to Mrs. Daniels-Green.

PARENT GOVERNORS

All school governing bodies have parent governors.

WHO ARE PARENT GOVERNORS?

Parent governors are elected by parents of children at the school. For a person to stand for election and to vote in a parent governor election he/she must either be the natural parent of a child registered at the school, or be a person with parental responsibility for, or having care of, such a child.

In Maintained Nursery Schools parents of children for whom educational or other provision is made on the premises of the school at the time of the election are also eligible to stand for election and vote in a parent governor election.

If there are insufficient eligible candidates for the vacancies at an election the governing body can appoint a parent governor, but there are restrictions on who can be appointed.

Parent Governors normally serve for two years. If a parent governor ceases to be the parent of a child registered at the school within the period for which they have been elected, he/she may continue to be a governor for the rest of his/her term of office.

WHAT ARE PARENT GOVERNORS?

Parent governors have the same rights, responsibilities and duties as other governors.

Parent governors should play a full and active part in the governing body but,

Parent governors, like other governors, do not have the power to act as individuals or as a group, unless specifically authorised to do so by the governing body.

Parent governors are not on the governing body simply to represent the interest of parents, or to be the only link with parents because all governors must have regard to these issues.



WHAT DO GOVERNORS DO?

All maintained schools have a governing body which together with the headteacher sets the aims and policies of the school. The headteacher is responsible for the day to day management of the school. Together the governing body and headteacher must ensure the school provides good quality education and helps to raise standards.

The governing body:

- is accountable for the performance of the school to the parents and the wider community
- plans the school's future direction
- selects the headteacher
- makes decisions on the school's budget and staffing
- makes sure the National Curriculum is taught
- decides how the school can encourage pupils' spiritual, moral and cultural development
- makes sure the school provides for all its pupils, including those with special educational needs.

HOW MUCH TIME WILL IT TAKE?

To be an effective member of the governing body team, it takes time. You will need to prepare for and attend at least three full governing body meetings per year. These usually meet at least once a term.

WHAT SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE?

Lancashire LEA and the provide a wide range of support services and training for governors.

All new governors receive an introductory pack of materials from the LEA which outlines the range of training opportunities available to governors and governing bodies and provides the basic reference documents. There is also a termly newsletter which helps to keep governors up to date with recent developments.

If you require more information about being a governor speak to the headteacher at your child's school or contact Governor Services on 01257 516147, governors.central@lancashire.gov.uk .

Thank you for your continued support

Nicola Daniels-Green

Headteacher



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