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As we settle into the Autumn term, it's wonderful to see our school community full of energy and enthusiasm. Our Macmillian coffee morning was a real success with plenty of hot drinks and cakes enjoyed and more importantly money raised for a very worthy cause. Thanks to everyone who donated and supported the event. Our Wild One Adventures sessions have begun, giving pupils the opportunity to spend time outdoors, develop new skills, and explore the natural environment. Young Voices rehearsals are now underway, filling the corridors with music and anticipation, while a packed calendar of sporting events is already filing up. We've also started welcoming prospective families, who are beginning to plan for September 2026 - it's a pleasure to showcase all that makes our school so special.

Mr. Matthews and the entire Ashleigh Staff

An Update on our Shine Assemblies!

We're making a small change to give you more notice for our Friday Shine Assemblies!

We know how much you love to see your child receive their Golden Tie, so to make it easier to attend, we'll now be letting you know a whole week in advance if they have been chosen.

Instead of finding out on a Thursday, you will now receive a message on the Friday *before* the assembly. This gives you a full seven days to make arrangements if you'd like to join us.

This new system starts now, for the assembly taking place next **Friday, 3rd October**.

We hope this helps, and we can't wait to celebrate with you!



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FLU IMMUNISATION

The Flu immunisations will take place, in school, on Friday 3rd October.



BREAKFAST CLUB

Reminder if you wish your child to attend Breakfast Club, you must book their place via the School Spider app prior to your child attending. This can even be done on the day, before 7am.

OPEN EVENING - WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER

On Wednesday 8th October we will be holding an open evening for prospective parents to come and look around school from 6.00pm -7.30pm. If you know any parents whose children will turn 5 after 1st September 2026, it would be great if you could pass on this date to them.

Let them know that if they can't make the 8th October that they can contact school on (01254) 703171 to make an appointment to look round on almost any school day.

Nearer to the date, we will be contacting parents of Y6 children to ask if they can stay and be our tour guides for the evening.



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WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

On Friday 10th October it is World Mental Health Day, children are invited to wear non-uniform and are encouraged to wear something yellow, if possible, a colour that represents hope and happiness.



HARVEST 17th OCTOBER

Harvest Collection to Support Darwen Food Larder

Our Harvest celebration will take place on Friday, 17th October, and it is a wonderful time to reflect on what we have and to give back to those in our community.

This year, we are proud to support the vital work of the Darwen Food Larder. They do an incredible job of providing emergency food parcels to individuals and families facing hardship in our area. To help them, we are collecting donations of long-life food items.

If you are able to contribute, please consider donating tins (soup, beans, tinned meat/fish, vegetables) or packets (pasta, rice, biscuits, cereal, UHT milk). Please ensure all items are sealed and in-date.



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Donations can be brought in any time between now and our celebration on Friday, 17th October.

Thank you in advance for your kindness and support.

PARENTS EVENING TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

Appointments for the upcoming Parents' Evening will be available to book via School Spider. Booking will open nearer the date, and further details will be shared in due course.



Outdoor learning - Reception Rabbits	Wednesday 1 st October	AM
Outdoor learning - Reception Bears		PM
Flu Immunisation - Whole school	Friday 3 rd October	
Open Evening for 2026 Reception starters	Wednesday 8 th October	6pm-7.30pm
World Mental Health Day	Friday 10 th October	
JS Photography Individual and sibling Photos	Wednesday 15 th October	



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Harvest Celebration	Friday 17 th October	
Parents Evening	Tuesday 21 st October	3.30pm-7pm
School closes	Friday 24 th October	3.30pm
School Re-opens	Monday 3 rd November	8.45am
Outdoor learning - Year 6	Wednesday 5 th November	AM
Outdoor learning - Year 5		PM
Outdoor learning - Year 4	Wednesday 12 th November	AM
Outdoor learning - Year 3		PM
Outdoor learning - Year 2	Wednesday 19 th November	AM
Outdoor learning - Year 1		PM
Outdoor learning - Rec Rabbits	Wednesday 26 th November	AM
Outdoor learning - Rec Bears		PM



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