WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday 23rd October 2026

Headteachers Message



Dear Parents,

This week as part of their 'Why are oceans important?' Geography topic, our Year 5 pupils walked to Ainsdale Drive to observe geographical features and discuss how humans have impacted on the environment around us. Our pupils behaved fantastically and were excellent role models.

Today we are saying a very sad goodbye to Mrs English as she retires after an incredible 26 years of dedicated service to Lea Community Primary School. I would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks for her commitment, hard work and unwavering support over the years with us. Her contributions across the years have been truly invaluable and the time, care and dedication she has given have made such a positive difference to our school community. She has been a much-valued part of school life for so many years and her knowledge, kindness and support will be greatly missed by staff, parents and everyone who has had the pleasure of working with her. On behalf of the whole school, we thank her for everything she has done and we wish her a very happy, relaxing and well-deserved retirement. She will always remain a much loved member of our Lea Family and leaves with our deepest gratitude and very best wishes for this exciting new chapter for her.

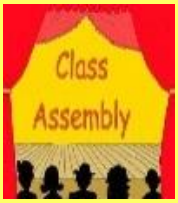
Best Regards
Jess Giles – Deputy Head Teacher

Lea Marathon

Manchester Foundation Trust Charity

As some of you might know, Mr Walmsley's baby boy was very poorly when he was born and needed to be admitted to hospital where thankfully he received the care he needed to make a full recovery. Mr Walmsley completed a marathon to raise funds for the Manchester Foundation Trust charity who cared for his son. As a school we decided to show our love and support by undertaking our own sponsored run aiming to each complete 26 laps of the KS2 playground. KS1 and EYFS will be completing on a track in the Muga. We are going to undertake our own sponsored run on Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd October. If you would like to sponsor we are aiming to collect all sponsor money the first week back, week beginning 2nd November so we can present Mr Walmsley with all our efforts and support.

Class Assemblies



We have now almost finalised our schedule of class assemblies, as we try to fit the dates around class commitments elsewhere. Class assemblies are where our children have the opportunity to showcase their learning to the school community and to you, their parents and carers.

We will post the remaining dates as soon as they are available Please put the relevant dates in your diaries :

Class	Date	Time
EYFS Creators	Tuesday 10th November 2026	9.10am
EYFS Designers	Thursday 12th November 2026	9.10am
Year 4	Thursday 4th February 2027	9.10am
Year 1 Discoverers	Thursday 21st January 2027	9.10am
Year 1 Adventurers	Thursday 28th January 2027	9.10am
Year 2 Explorers	Thursday 29th April 2027	9.10am
Year 2 Innovators	Thursday 13th May 2027	9.10am
Year 3	Thursday 22nd April 2027	9.10am

Year 5	Thursday 11th February 2027	9.10am
EYFS Creators	Wednesday 23rd June 2027	9.10am
EYFS Designers	Thursday 24th June 2027	9.10am
Year 6- Leavers assembly	Date TBC	

Y6 Parents School Admissions DEADLINE 31/10/26

If you haven't already done so, please apply for your child's high school place before the deadline of **Saturday 31 October 2026**. After this date all applicants will be treated as late applications, which means the LEA can allocate your child a place at any school.

It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. **You must apply even if you already have siblings in school**. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application. www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Saturday 31 October 2026 - National closing date for secondary applications for Sept 2027 (statutory).

For guidance on high school transport see: https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/school-transport/.

Be a Chorister for the Day at Christmas



The music department at Broughton Parish Church are delighted to be offering boys and girls aged six and above the opportunity to experience life as a Broughton Chorister at their free 'Be a Chorister for the Day at Christmas' event on Sunday 15 November, from 4.00 to 7.15pm. The afternoon will include lively singing, team games, refreshments, the opportunity to try on choir robes and explore our church organ, before culminating in Choral Evensong, where participants can sing some much-loved Christmas carols alongside our established choirs.

Choristership offers children the chance to develop confidence, their musical ability and teamwork skills as part of a close-knit team, whilst also providing the opportunity to become part of a highly-valued local tradition. No previous singing or musical experience is necessary; we simply want to encourage children to come along, have a go and discover what being a chorister can offer them.

Further information and registration are available by emailing broughtonchurchchoir@gmail.com.

Half term Free events at Savick Library



Two one-off children's events will take place at Savick Library during the October 2026 half-term holiday, in addition to the normal weekly children's events. They will both take place on Wednesday, 28th of October 2026. The details are as follows and are attached.

Stories Like Ours Wednesday, 28th of October 2026 from 12:00 to 12:30 for children aged 3-8 years old

Join Gemma and Liz the founders of "Stories Like Ours" children's book authors for a fun story reading session featuring their latest books: "Play Date" and "New Bedrooms" on Wednesday, 28th of October 2026 from 12:00 pm to 12:30 pm

"At Stories Like Ours, we believe every child deserves to see their family reflected in the stories they read. Families come in all shapes and sizes, from co-parented and single-parent households, to foster and adoptive families, blended families, and children with disabilities and additional needs."

The event is free, but places are limited so please reserve yours by completing the FOSL form below.

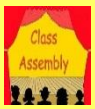
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Please note that an adult must accompany all children throughout the event.

	The Giant's Blankets storytelling Wednesday, 28th of October 2026 from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm for children aged 4 to 8 years old Step into the world of The Giant's Blankets — a heart-warming 25-minute storytelling performance brought to life with swirling clouds, stormy skies, and a kind-hearted giant who helps her neighbours with nothing but her soft blue blankets. Created and performed by artist and storyteller Claire Weetman, this soothing, imaginative tale transforms everyday fabric into hammocks, tents, baby slings — and even a giant picnic space for a joyful celebration of friendship. After the story, families are invited to stay and play with the Giant's blankets — inventing their own stories, characters, and worlds in this creative, open-ended play session. Described by audiences as "magical," "soothing," and "inventive", this show is perfect for curious little minds and grown-ups alike. The event is free, but places are limited so please reserve yours by completing the form below. https://www6.apps.lancashire.gov.uk/w/webpage/all-events?service=ALL&venues=Savick+Library Please note that an adult must accompany all children throughout the event.
Parents Evenings Tues 17th & Thurs 19th Nov 3.30-5.30pm	**Tuesday 17th & Thursday 19th November 3.30-5.30pm** Please put these important dates in your diary. These parent evenings give you the opportunity to find out how your child is progressing with their learning. Appointments will be made available to book on each class dojo nearer the time Communication between school and home is a crucial part of your child's development so please make an appointment to see their teacher.
Book Fair 4-11th Nov 	**The Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting school 4th-11th November.** The Fair will be open to families after school each day in the foyer outside the hall, please access school via the school office not the playground doors. These books and stationary goods make great presents or stocking fillers for Christmas.
Y6 SATs Week 10-13/05/27	Parents of Y6 children please be aware that your child's SATs will take place from Monday 10th May – Thursday 13th May 2027. Please do not book any holidays during this time.
Open Day for EYFS applicants Sept 2027	We are excited to welcome parents and children to our school in preparation for our September 2027 intake on Wednesday 18th Nov 1.30pm and 4pm If you would like to book a place on one of our school tours please complete the Microsoft form within this link: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/D2NVMTuy7t We would be happy to show you and your family around and will look forward to meeting you on one of the tours. **Please note this is for NEW EYFS children in Sept 27 not current reception children.**
School Admissions September 2027 Primary Schools	**School admissions are now open!** **Primary School Admissions:** If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery* you can now apply for their primary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application. You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application. **Friday 15 January 2027** - National closing date for primary applications for Sept 2026 (statutory).

Friday 16 April 2027 - Offers issued to parents (The national offer date is 16 April, if this date falls on a weekend or a bank holiday, offers are sent the next working day.)

Class Assembly Dates



Please go to our website and subscribe to our school calendar which will drop dates into your own calendar. https://www.leacp.lancs.sch.uk/calendar/?calid=1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11&pid=6&viewid=5

Assemblies are in the morning (unless otherwise notified) at 9.10am

Class	Date
EYFS Cre	Tues 10th Nov 26
EYFS Des	Thurs 12th Nov 26
Y4	Thursday 4th February 2027
Y1 Dis	Thurs 21st Jan 27
Y1 Ad	Thurs 28th Jan 27
Y2 Ex	Thurs 29th Apr 27
Y2 Inn	Thurs 13th May 27
Y3	Thursday 22nd April 2027
Y5	Thursday 11th February 2027
EYFS Cre	Weds 23rd June 27
EYFS Des	Thurs 24th June 27
Y6 Leavers	Date TBC

Dates for your diary – Autumn Term

23/10/26 –School finishes for half term **3.20pm**
04-11/11/26 – Book Fair
17/11/26 – Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm
18/11/26- Open pm for Sept 27 New Starters
19/11/26 – Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm
31/10/26 –Applications close for High Schools
18/11/26- Open pm for Sept 27 Starters
15/01/27 - Applications close Primary School
10-13/05/27 – Y6 SATs week