



NEWSLETTER

12th September 2025 Issue 1

Children have settled in well and we have completed our first full week back. Children are now getting into a new routine and finding their feet in their new classes. Thank you to all the parents and family for supporting their children in getting back to school. If there are any issues, please don't hesitate to contact school and the class teacher.

UNICEF Rights Respecting Award: This term we are working towards our Silver Award

Article 28 Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free. Secondary education must be available for every child. Discipline in schools must respect children's dignity. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

Article 29 Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

Forest School "Nature Wild": We have had some exciting developments over the summer – Tamsin from "Nature Wild" has cleared a large area of land on the schools' boundary opposite the houses on Dean Street in preparation for a Forest School. We will be starting sessions after half term which we are really looking forward to. Lots more information to follow regarding donations of equipment, volunteers, clothing needed for the children etc.

Attendance & Punctuality: Please remember that it is school policy to put in writing a request for absence **at least 2-4 weeks before hand.**

Last year our attendance for 24/25 was 93.9% and Nationally it was 94.8% so there is always room for improvement. Our school Persistent Absence figure has remained at the 15% mark whereas Nationally it is 13.5% so again there is room for improvement.

SEND: We will now be using Learning Plans instead of Profiles for your child's targets if they are on the SEND Register. These are on our new Insight Data system.

Congratulations!

Golden Book Award: YR: Leo Y1: Umaima Y2: Eris

Y3: Noah Y4: Rory Y5: Harper Y6: Temilola

Lunchtime awards: Bobby Y2 Noah Y3

Attendance Awards: Y1 99.26% Y4 100%

Mobile Phones Year 6: A reminder that a contract must be agreed and signed by Year 6 pupils before they are allowed to bring a phone into school. Contracts available from the school office.



Children to stay on the paths and steps: At home time please ensure children stay off the grass and walls. Mrs Statham has reminded every class on Wednesday.

KS1 Yard – Drop off and Collection: Please remember that children need to stay off the equipment on the yard and also leave any resources alone – Miss Leigh will have set them out for her Reception class ready for lessons – so please ensure all children don't touch them. Hugely appreciated.

After School Clubs For Years 1 - 6: These start w/c 15th Sept – children can be signed up on ScoPay. Please only sign them up if they want to attend as spaces are limited. We have some new ones this term such as Hula Hooping club. If you have any new ideas, please let me know.

Developments in Year 2 Classroom: We have developed a new “Sunflower” room and new continuous provision area in the classroom. This has been completed with a lot of help once again from volunteers and donations.

Many thanks to Carlton Carpets who provided the flooring free of charge.

Fundraising: We will be sending home a Colouring Competition to help raise awareness and funds for a horse riding school called Phoenix RDA where some of our pupils attended over the summer holidays. It supports children with SEND needs and is a great place to go. Watch this space!



Tesco Blue Tokens for Schools – Help Raise Funds for our Forest School: The blue tokens for Cams Lane Forest School will be at Tesco Express, Radcliffe. Tesco express, Kearsley and Farnworth Superstore. The tokens are available from mid-October – mid-January. If you are shopping there, please pop your tokens in to help boost our fundraising!

Houses: New Y6 House Captains will be in place soon. We will also be launching our House Research Homework project. We have done something similar in the past. This will heighten the profile of our houses and celebrate the children's work in assembly.

Intergenerational Project: We are continuing to work with HollyBank Care Home. Mrs Statham has a meeting with them next week to see what plans we can put in the diary for this term.

Residential Trip: We are excited that nearly all Year 6 have decided to take part in the Robinwood residential trip in June 2026. You should have received a letter this week regarding payments.

Pupil Questionnaire Results: These have been texted out to parents and are available on the school website.

Pupil Voice – Year 6:

“I have really enjoyed our Artwork last week since coming into Year 6. It related to Mayan images, and it has been very interesting.”

“In Year 6 English we are reading a great book called The Viewer – it's really hooked me in.”



Parents That Lunch: We are again hosting parents that lunch. Here are 2 dates for your diary
Year 5, Thursday, 9th October and Year 3, Tuesday, 25th November. Details of how to book nearer the time.

Sports Coach & PE Lessons : Miss Mortimer has got off to a great start with all our classes this week in their first PE lesson – KS1/Rec on Tuesdays and KS2 on Wednesday
A reminder that PE is NOT an optional subject. All children MUST bring in their PE kit and take part as part of the National Curriculum

Sports Coaching sessions: Year 5 and Year 6 will experience further coaching sessions with a new Partnership with Radcliffe Academy – students based at Redbank are studying BTEC Level 3 Sports Coaching and Development – Year 5 & 6 will be taking part in coaching sessions. A letter with more details will be sent out soon.

Diary Dates

Monday 15th September	Individual Photos John Hunt Photography
Wednesday 24th September	Parents Phonics Meeting For Reception, Y1 & Y2 4.30pm In School
Monday 13th October	Reception Stay & Play 9am – 10am
Monday 13th October	Year 1 Stay & Play 9.15am – 10.15am 2pm – 3pm
Thursday 23rd October	School Closes for Half Term At 3.15pm
Monday 3rd November	School Re-opens

ATTENDANCE

WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1

I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything.

Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine.

The fine is £160 but if you pay it within 21 days it will be reduced to £80

£160



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IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

10 IN 10

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised, the school will consider prosecution

1 day = 2 sessions

A PENALTY FOR EACH CHILD



+£160 +£160 +£160 +£160

4 children & 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid within 21 days

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FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS



+£160



+£160



+£160



+£160

4 children &
2 parents =
£1,280

Reduced to £640 if paid
within 21 days

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If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

SECOND TIME

2 parents and

1 child = £320

2 children = £640

3 children = £960

4 children = £1,280

No discount for early payment



THIRD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given.

Instead your case will be taken to court.

A magistrate can fine each parent £2,500 for each child.

1 parent & 4 children = £10,000

2 parents & 4 children = £20,000