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EMPATHY RESILIENCE AMBITION INTEGRITY RESPECT CURIOSITY



(Acting) Head's Highlights!

What a wonderful week it has been at Holme Slack!

On Friday, we were delighted to have all of our new Reception children together for the first time. It was fantastic to see our EYFS unit filled with curiosity, laughter and excitement as the children began settling into their new routines and building new friendships. They have made a brilliant start, and we are incredibly proud of how well they have adapted to school life already.

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognise our amazing Early Years team. Throughout the summer holidays, they worked tirelessly to prepare both our Reception environment and our brand-new nursery provision. Their hard work, creativity and dedication have transformed the space into a warm, nurturing and inspiring environment where children can thrive.

You may have noticed the skip and ongoing work around the nursery area. This exciting new venture is an important investment in the future of our school and community. We believe it will provide children with the very best start to their educational journey, offering a seamless transition into Reception and helping them develop the confidence, independence and skills they need to flourish.

Led by our highly experienced Early Years Lead Practitioner for Lancashire, Mrs Molnyeux, the nursery is designed to provide secure foundations for learning while maintaining the warmth, care and sense of belonging that are so important in those early years.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It is wonderful to see our school community growing, and we are excited to watch our youngest children begin their learning journey with us.

Miss Stocks

Acting Headteacher



Testing out ramps for the cars and exploring ladybirds

NURSERY SPACES AVAILABLE

We are delighted with how well our new nursery children have settled in and are pleased to share that we currently have places available for children aged 3 and 4, including 15-hour, 30-hour and Rising 3s places.

Choosing a school-based nursery can give children a fantastic start to their education. Our nursery children become familiar with the school environment, routines and staff from an early age, helping them to develop confidence, independence and a sense of belonging long before they start Reception.

For families whose children will be joining Reception next year, starting nursery now can make the transition even smoother. Children become comfortable with the school day, make friendships, learn classroom routines and begin developing the important skills that will support their future learning.

UPCOMING EVENTS

🎃 Halloween Disco – We Need Your Help! 🧛‍♀️

Our next school event is our Halloween Disco, and we'd love some parent volunteers to help us make it a fun and memorable evening for the children!

We're looking for parents who can lend a hand with decorations, preparing food and refreshments, and organising some fun Halloween-themed activities and games. You don't need to be part of the PTFA or have lots of time – any help you can give would be hugely appreciated.

If you'd like to get involved, please let us know. Whether you can help with the planning beforehand or lend a hand on the night, we'd be delighted to have you on board!

🕷️ Let's make this Halloween Disco one to remember! 🎃





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CLASS FOCUS - RECEPTION

It was wonderful to have all of our Reception children together on Friday, filling their classroom with curiosity, imagination and excitement! ❤️

Our Early Years environment is so much more than a classroom. As a Hygge-accredited setting, we create a warm, welcoming space where children feel safe, valued and ready to learn.



Our teachers are co-players, joining children in their play to model language, introduce new vocabulary and extend learning opportunities.



Children learn from one another, developing communication, social skills and confidence through shared experiences.



Independence is encouraged, helping children make choices, take responsibility and develop that wonderful feeling of "I can do it!"



Every day brings new opportunities to explore, create, imagine and discover.



This is the beginning of their journey, and we cannot wait to see where their curiosity takes them.



CAMPBELL'S CORNER CATCH UP

This is our photo of the week.

Year 6 enjoyed a treasure hunt in Forest School using their compass skills to find the hidden dinosaurs!





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OUR WEEKLY SUPERSTARS

	Core Value Award	Wonderful Writer Award	Marvellous Mathematician Award	Sports Award
Reception				
Year 1	Ayla	Caspar	Rory	Elizabeth
Year 2	Noah	Elijah	Harvey	Naira
Year 3	Ava	Ned	Ashrav	Esmae
Year 4	Gracie-Leigh	Annabelle	Ivy-Rose T	Byron and Makauley
Year 5	Priscilla	Yousaf	Amin	Mia C
Year 6	Emma	Martin	Muhammad H	Vinny



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**WHOLE
SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE
TARGET - 95%**

**CURRENT =
95.7%**

ATTENDANCE



Miss Stocks' and Mr
Crompton's Attendance
Superstar this week is:

Abdur

Well Done!

ATTENDANCE LEAGUE TABLE

1	YEAR 1	7
2	YEAR 5	6
3	RECEPTION	5
4	YEAR 2	4
5	YEAR 4	3
5	YEAR 3	2
6	YEAR 6	1



This week's
attendance winners
are
Year 1 with 98.1 %

Well done!



Every Day Wheel Winners
KS1 - Emran
KS2 - Lottie



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

15th Sept - KS2 Mini Skills Competition at West View
17th Sept - Lancashire Evening Post - Reception Photo
22nd Sept - Open Afternoon for prospective parents
29th Sept - Year 5/6 Football Tournament
30th Sept - KS2 Harvest Assembly - Parents Welcome
October - Black History Month
1st - 2nd Oct - Y5 Bikeability
5th Oct - School Photos - Individuals and Siblings
7th - 9th Oct - Year 6 Residential to Robin Wood
9th Oct - World Mental Health Day - Wear Yellow
20th Oct - Year 5/6 Hockey Tournament
21st Oct - Halloween Disco
23rd Oct - SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET DAY
26th - 30th Oct - SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM



IN OTHER NEWS



Introducing Neu Way Support

Support for families of children and young people with neurodevelopmental needs

From 6 July, families across Lancashire and South Cumbria will be able to access Neu Way Support, a new service for families of children and young people aged 0-25 who may have autism, ADHD or other neurodevelopmental differences. The service is available based on need, which means you do not need a diagnosis to get support.

How can Neu Way Support help?

Neu Way Support can provide:

- Advice and guidance
- Information about local services and support
- Help to understand what support may be available for your child or young person
- Practical resources and tools
- Support to identify next steps and develop a personalised plan
- Signposting to community, education, health and voluntary sector services

Every family is different, so support will be tailored to your individual needs.

Who is the service for?

Neu Way Support is available for families of children and young people aged 0-25 who:

- Have concerns about autism, ADHD or other neurodevelopmental differences
- Are waiting for an assessment
- Have recently received a diagnosis
- Would benefit from information, advice or support to help navigate services

You do not need a diagnosis or to be on a waiting list to access support

How do I access the service?

Families can refer themselves directly or ask a professional to help them access support.

www.springnorth.org.uk/projects/neu-way-support
0300 365 5030

Building support for the future

Neu Way Support is part of a wider programme to improve support for children and young people with neurodevelopmental needs across Lancashire and South Cumbria. The service is being introduced in phases, with plans to continue developing and strengthening support for families over time.



Neu Way Support

Early support for children, young people and families




As a parent or carer, you know your child better than anyone. If you've noticed changes in how they communicate, learn, interact or experience the world, it's natural to have questions. You may be wondering what those differences mean, where to seek advice or how to find the right support.

Neu Way Support is a service that recognises that every family's journey is unique. For many, the path to understanding their child's needs can feel overwhelming, with long waiting times, a lot of information to navigate and uncertainty about what to do next.

You don't need a diagnosis to access the service. Whether you're at the beginning of your journey, awaiting an assessment, have recently received a diagnosis, or simply need someone to talk things through with, we're here to help.

Our aim is to ensure every family can access trusted advice, practical support and local connections at the earliest opportunity, helping you feel informed, supported and confident about the next steps.

You can access Neu Way Support whether you're:

- Just starting to have questions?
- Waiting for an assessment?
- Recently received a diagnosis?
- Looking for practical advice?

Every family's journey is different, but you don't have to navigate it alone. Scan the QR code to find out more



Call us free on 0300 365 5030