



Penwortham Primary School

8th September 2023



What happens when it rains (a lot!) on our residential trips? We make the best of the situation and still have lots of fun!! Year 6 have been in Borwick this week and have enjoyed lots of outdoor and adventurous activities including caving, bouldering, walking, orienteering, team challenges, canoeing, high ropes course, tree climbs and especially challenging – making beds and putting on a duvet cover! The residential at the start of the year sets up our Year 6 for the year ahead, the road towards high school and brings them together as a class to support each other. Special thanks to all staff who have been with the children this week. Year 6 will be presenting an assembly all about their adventures on 27th September @3pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

Sports' Day – we were disappointed to postpone our sports' day – especially as the last few years of September dates have worked so well. The ground is now so wet that it would need a week of dry weather to be suitable for a full day of events and the forecast is not promising for next week. The good news is that having the sports day in September means we have a whole year to work with so that no year group misses their sports' day. Provisional date May 23rd.

Thank you for your patience as we have worked through a number of challenging issues in the school office and with school spider at the start of term. Hopefully, most of these are now ironed out but please contact either myself or the office and we will do our best to solve the problem. We are fortunate to have had the support of our partnership schools at Little Hoole and Priory Academy. Your understanding is very much appreciated.

Year 5 had their first brass instrument lesson this week and made a great start to their music curriculum for the year.

Year 1 have **Little Zoo** visiting next week. This visit into school supports the science curriculum. We are asking for a donation of £5 for this visit to go ahead. Please make your contribution on school spider as soon as possible.

PTFA AGM is this Monday at 7.30 Tom Finney Pub near Sainsburys. Everyone is welcome to come along. The PTFA raise funds for all of our children (and currently have £8000 towards a trim trail for the playground) as well as organising social activities for our whole school family.

Forest school – Year 3 and Year 1 have forest school next Wednesday – they will need outdoor clothes, layers and waterproof coats. Uniform not required on this day. If it is very wet a change of clothes may be advisable.

Dates for your diary:

Please check regularly as dates and times can change.

September:

25th PTFA AGM 7.30pm

26th Forest School Y1 and Y3

27th Year 6 class assembly
@3pm- Parents welcome.

October:

3rd Mad Science assembly

9th **Skipping Jump rope Day**
POSTPONED to summer

11th Hand washing workshops

20th **October School**

Photographs

Half term 23rd to 27th October

November:

1st and 2nd Parents Evening

3.30-6.30

16th – 20th Scholastic Book Fair

28th Flu vaccinations

December:

8th Pantomime theatre group
in school

11th KS1 and reception Nativity
2pm

12th KS 1 and reception
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18th KS 2 Christmas production
2pm

19th KS 2 Christmas production
6pm

20th Christmas Lunch and party
day

21st End of term assembly.

Close @2pm.

Champions' of Learning

Well done to the following pupils who have excelled in their learning this week:

Reception: Imogen for noticing which friends deserve to go on 'Superb Effort'. Zahraa for great use of vocabulary in drawing club.

Year 1: April for her fantastic knowledge of animals in science. Emmeline for being enthusiastic about her learning.

Year 2: Leon for up levelling his sentences and striving for excellence. Inaya for great reasoning in science.

Year 3: Eva for being her personal best and going out of her way to help others. Mason F for being calm and listening to advice and make good decisions.

Year 4: Jessica for working diligently on her explanation text. Euan for being an excellent listener.

Year 5: Oliver for his resilience and positivity in swimming this week. Toby for sharing his knowledge about digital systems.

Year 6: Everyone for being great role models, fantastic school representatives and gaining skills and knowledge – everyone came home with more than they had before. Well done.

In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

Online Safety Information Session

This session is delivered virtually so can be watched from anywhere!
We will share the link with you privately.

Current trends – what children are doing online and what apps/games are popular amongst children.

Understanding the Risks – a look at the risks associated with using technology, in particular when using social media, online gaming & live streaming.

What can you do? – suggestions on how you can support your child with their online lives and what parental controls are available to help you.

Further Support – signposting to services that are available to help you.

**WEDNESDAY
4TH OCTOBER
2023**

4PM – 4.45PM



Lancashire Link Social Prescribing Service

Family/Peer
Relationship Issues

Low self-esteem or
self-confidence

Are you aged 5-17 years
and experiencing any of
these issues?

Feeling socially
isolated

Worried, anxious or
stressed

We may be able to offer you some support. Ask your GP or health professional about being referred to a social prescriber

- We offer:**
- 1:1 Support for your emotional health and wellbeing
 - Wellbeing group sessions
 - Drop in's for a chat/check in

