



24TH JANUARY 2025

# NEWSLETTER

Penwortham Primary School

## Week 3...

This week, Mrs. Cunningham led a wonderful whole school assembly on Tuesday, focusing on our expectations and standards within the school community. She emphasized the importance of our routines and the significance of showing care to one another. It was a fantastic opportunity for our students to reflect on their actions and understand the impact they have on their peers.

We are thrilled to share that on Sunday, February 2nd, at 9 AM, Mrs. Lambert will be taking over the junior park run in Avenham Park! Mrs. Lambert, along with Mr. Cliff, a dedicated parent runner, will lead the warm-up for the event. All runners will need a barcode in order keep a record of their time. Please visit <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/> to set up a barcode for the run. This is a free event of a distance of 2km. We hope to see a huge turnout from our Penwortham Primary families to support and take part on this exciting morning.

Thank you to all the families who attended Miss Lilley's Year 1 phonics workshop on Monday. There will be another workshop for Reception class on Monday at 3:45 PM. This session will provide insights into the phonics screening check taking place this year and offer helpful tips for practicing at home. We encourage all families to attend if you are able to, as always your engagement is invaluable to school.

We still have preschool places available for September 2025 for children aged 3-4 years. Both funded and paid places are available. If you know anyone interested, please spread the word! We welcome families to visit our amazing school for a tour, these can be booked through the school office. Additional open days are to be announced later in the year.

## VALUE OF THE HALF TERM

### CARE

Recommended  
Reading Book:

Kindness is my  
superpower  
by Alicia Ortego





## School Notices

Please ensure your child comes to school with a coat during these cold and rainy months. Children are able to go outside to play during break and dinner times and we have noticed that some children are without coats, which can leave their uniforms damp for the rest of the day. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

### Reporting an Illness:

If your child is feeling unwell, please report this to the school office by 9.30am. We politely request you give brief information on the illness as this helps us ensure the health and safety of all our students and staff. Illnesses can be reported through school spider or by leaving a voicemail.

School visitors / educational visits have several benefits to compliment classroom topics during the term. We try to plan these to give as much notice as possible to allow parents time to contribute towards funding these visits. Unfortunately if sufficient funds are not able to be raised, school may need to cancel the activity Thank you for your continued support

### School Meals Arrears Policy

If debts are incurred, then the school budget has to pay for them. This means that money which should be spent on all pupils' education in school is used to pay for debts incurred by individual parents / carers. The governing body see this as unacceptable and request that all parents / carers give this their full support. Please refer to the dinner money arrear policy for further information.

## Dates for your Diary:

05.02.25 - Y4 Class Assembly Showcase  
 17.02.25 - 21.02.25 - HALF TERM  
 26.02.25 - Tots on Tyres / Dr Bike  
 05.03.25 - Tots on Tyres / Y3 Scootsafe  
 06.03.25 - World Book Day  
 12.03.25 - Y6 Bike Fix  
 12.03.25 - Y2 Martin Mere Trip  
 17.03.25 - Y1 Bring Yer Wellies  
 19.03.25 - Y6 Bikeability  
 26.03.25 - Y6 Bikeability  
 26.03.25 - Y2 Class Assembly Showcase  
 27.03.25 - Y6 Class Assembly Showcase  
 02.04.25 - Y1 Class Assembly Showcase  
 04.04.25 - SCHOOL CLOSURE 2PM  
 07.04.25 - 21.05.25 - HALF TERM  
 29.04.25 - Parents Evening  
 30.04.25 - Parents Evening  
 05.05.25 - MAY DAY CLOSURE  
 14.05.25 - Y3 Class Assembly Showcase  
 21.05.25 - Y5 Class Assembly Showcase  
 23.05.25 - INSET DAY  
 26.05.25 - 30.05.25 - HALF TERM  
 02.06.25 - INSET DAY  
 30.06.25-01.07.25 - Y5 Hothersall Lodge  
 16.07.25 - Y6 Performance  
 18.07.25 - Y6 Leavers Assembly



# In school this week....

This week, works began in the EYFS garden and we have witnessed remarkable progress so far. We are thrilled to share that Priory has generously offered their amazing award-winning gardener and estate team to redesign and create this new space. The new garden will provide our pupils with a sensory experience unique to any EYFS setting, allowing them to explore and engage with nature in a whole new way.

Mrs. Lambert has been holding cross country try-outs every Thursday lunchtime and has been overwhelmed by the interest from our students. This enthusiasm and commitment is truly commendable considering the wet weather recently. Thank you to Mr Cliff for joining in and supporting the children this week.

We are excited to inform you that our fantastic half-price wrap-around care is now available to book through Scopay. Some children may already have an account set up. If you are unable to log on or require a new login, please contact the school office for assistance. This wonderful offer will be available until May 2025 for both the breakfast club and after-school club.

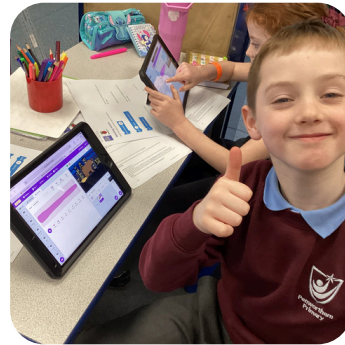
This week, we had an exciting event in Year 2. On Monday the children were treated to a special visit from the Lancashire Owls and Hawks organisation. They learned about the fascinating features of birds of prey and how these incredible animals live. The highlight of the session was when the children had the opportunity to hold and touch the birds. It was a wonderful experience that sparked curiosity and awe among the class.

## STAFF UPDATE

We are proud to announce that Mrs Barlow will be joining our team from 10th March as EYFS lead and reception teacher. We look forward to welcoming her and she is so excited to get to know our amazing pupils and community



# Photos of the week





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## Champions of the Week...

### Reception

**Avery Rey** for exploring how to paint a beanstalk

**Emila** for exploring which objects float sink

### Year 1

**Miles** for his curiosity in the investigation area.

**Charlotte** for showing resilience in PE this week.

### Year 2

**Rohan** for aspiring to learn new facts about owls and share his knowledge in his super writing.

**Sarah** for settling into Year 2 really well. Making friends and trying her best in all areas.

### Year 3

**Josh** for always showing kindness and consideration to others in class whilst paying alot of care and attention to his own learning

**Dylan** for taking great responsibility for his role as a Digital Leader in school and helping others in class.

### Year 4

**Mason F** for discovering a love of handwriting

**Isla W** for being the most amazing friend to the whole class

### Year 5

**Yunus** for his fantastic sense of curiosity, enthusiam and resilience during our yoga lesson.

**Matilda** for wow-ing the class with her incredible dancing abilities.

### Year 6

**Jasmin** for working hard to improve her arithmetic skills

**Rabeka** for her determination and effort to be the best version of herself

## House Cup weekly Winners



## Attendance:

Reception - 88.6%

Year 1 - 91.6%

Year 2 - 96.4%

Year 3 - 88.3%

Year 4 - 98.3%

Year 5 - 98.1%

Year 6 - 97%

Congratulations to  
Year 2, 4 5 & Year 6  
for meeting the  
school target of 96%





Penwortham  
**allstars**

**LIMITED TIME  
OFFER**

**50%  
OFF**

**BREAKFAST  
CLUB**

~~£5.50~~

**£2.75**

**AFTERSCHOOL  
CLUB**

~~£7~~

**£3.50**

**Until  
May  
2025**





Penwortham  
Primary

# Coin competition



## **1,2,3,4 We declare a coin war!!!**

This term we will be holding a year group competition to see how much we can raise from spare change. Please can we kindly ask you to send in any spare UK coins. The class that raises the most will all win free tickets to our fantastic valentines disco with DJ Slug in February!!! All donations will go towards the Playground project.





# PTFA EVENTS 2025

## JANUARY

31.01.25 - Sweet  
Friday

## FEBRUARY

12.02.25 -  
Valentines Disco

28.02.25 - Sweet  
Friday

## MARCH

26.03.25 -  
Wonderwoman Day

28.03.25 - Make  
the rules day £1 &  
Sweet Friday

## APRIL

03.04.25 - Easter  
Fun Run- super kid  
day

25.04.25 - Sweet  
treat Friday

## MAY

Penwortham Live

30.05.25 - Sweet  
treat Friday

## JUNE

11.06.25 - BBC  
Gladiator Visit - Steel

12.06.25 - Superman  
Day

Penwortham Gala

27.06.25 -  
Sweet treat Friday

## JULY

12.07.25 - Music  
Festival

18.07.25 - Sweet  
treat Friday

## AUGUST

## SEPTEMBER

08.09.25-12.09.25  
- Wonka Week

26.09.25 - Sweet  
treat Friday

## OCTOBER

24.10.25 -  
Autumnal Day /  
Fancy Dress

31.10.25 - Sweet  
treat Friday

## NOVEMBER

28.11.25 - Sweet  
treat Friday

## DECEMBER

13.12.25 -  
Christmas Family  
Night  
(disco/bongo bingo)

Penwortham  
Christmas Markets