

'Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ' 2 Peter 3:18

It's been another wonderfully busy week here in school!

Our Year 5 children took part in a Food Hygiene course and I'm delighted to share that every single one of them passed. Even better, I received a lovely message complimenting their behaviour and attitude throughout the session. Well done and thank you, Year 5 — you represented our school beautifully.

Year 4 enjoyed an exciting Science Workshop on Tuesday, which really helped bring their current unit to life. The children were fully engaged, curious and enthusiastic from start to finish.

We were also absolutely blown away by the Rocksteady Concert. It was wonderful to see so many children performing with such confidence, and it's clear how much progress they are making between each concert. A huge well done to all our young musicians.

A massive thank you to our fantastic PTFA for organising an incredible Easter Bingo. It was brilliant to have a full house and to see families coming together to enjoy the fun — a real celebration of our school community.

A reminder that we break up at 2pm on Wednesday 1st April.

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter!

Stars of the Week

- Reception: Olivia
- Year 1: Wilf
- Year 2: Lily C
- Year 3: Noah
- Year 4: Leale
- Year 5: Alice
- Year 6: Bea

Parables of the Talent

(Reading)

- Reception: Gaby
- Year 1: Charlie M
- Year 2: Luka K
- Year 3: Elena
- Year 4: Naya
- Year 5: Kacey
- Year 6: Minnie



Christian Values

FORGIVENESS

In our final Worship focusing on FORGIVENESS, children heard the story of Zacchaeus (Luke 19) and explored how forgiveness can lead to real change. They created "new start cards" to think about how they can make positive choices in the week ahead. We encouraged children to see forgiveness not just as saying sorry, but as an opportunity to grow and become kinder, more thoughtful people.

Dear God,

Thank you that forgiveness gives us a new start. Help us to make good choices and to put things right when we can.

Amen.

We are delighted to share that, as a school, we raised £220.77 on Red Nose Day!!
A huge thank you to all our pupils, families and staff for your generosity and support.
We are so proud to be a part of such a kind and caring school community.

Attendance

SCHOOL MINIMUM TARGET: 96.4%
This week's attendance:

- Reception: 99.0%
- Year 1: 98.2%
- Year 2: 96.6%
- Year 3: 97.0%
- Year 4: 95.5%
- Year 5: 96.7%
- Year 6: 98.2%

An fantastic week of attendance with an overall score of 97.3%. Congratulations to Reception on receiving the prize this week and Year 6 for last week's 100% Full House!

School Meals

The price of school lunches will increase after the Easter Break from £2.90 to £3.10 per meal. This is due to the rising cost of food and other goods, and will help us to continue to provide nutritious, high quality meals for our pupils.

Upcoming Events



30th March
Easter Experience with
Rev. Emma



31st March
Easter Service at St John the
Divine Church
Church 9:30am



1st April
School Closes for Easter Break
2pm



13th April
School Reopens for
Summer Term

GLOW Dodgeball for Mythop (during
school hours)



15th April
KS1 and KS2 Cheerleading
8-8:45am

16th April
Year 2 Library Visit

Wake Up Wednesday



What Parents and Educators Need to Know about Online Trends Encouraging Violence

Violent clips, online 'wars', and shock-value challenges can spread rapidly across social media feeds – often appearing in front of young people who weren't actively looking for them. This guide explains how algorithms, messaging groups and viral trends can expose children to real-world violence online, sometimes normalising harmful behaviour or encouraging risky offline actions.

It also highlights the emotional, social and legal risks linked to engaging with violent content. From anxiety and community fear to the dangers of sharing or promoting violent posts, the guide offers practical advice for parents and educators on discussing online safety, understanding the law, and helping young people respond positively and responsibly.

Year 6 – Lakeside!

What an incredible three days our Year 6 children had on their residential. From the moment we arrived, they threw themselves into every activity with enthusiasm, courage and a brilliant sense of adventure. During our stay, the children took part in a wide range of activities including the King Swing, canoeing, fell walking, night line and bush craft. It was inspiring to watch them challenge themselves, try new experiences and achieve things they never imagined they could. Their determination, perseverance and positive attitude shone through in everything they did. A huge thank you must also go to the staff who gave up their time to accompany the children and ensure they had such a memorable experience. Their support and care made the trip possible.

It truly was a wonderful few days away — one that the children will remember for a long time. I couldn't be prouder of them.

A very proud Headteacher

Parking

We kindly remind all parents and carers to park responsibly during drop-off and pick-up times. Please be considerate of each other and our neighbours. Please avoid blocking driveways, parking on zig-zag / double-yellow lines and ensure that parking is safe for all children and families. Your cooperation helps us maintain a safe and respectful environment for everyone in our school community.

MESSY EASTER
Good Friday
3rd April 2026
Church Hall @
St Cuthbert's Church
10:30-12:30

Learn more about Easter through fun, crafts, challenges, lunch and an Easter Egg hunt!

Book online:
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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ONLINE TRENDS ENCOURAGING VIOLENCE

7 out of 10 teens report seeing violent content on social media, with over half of that content featuring fights involving young people. Most don't 'seek' it but are shown it through social media feeds or messaging groups. 91% of young people involved in violence have seen violent social media content. Viral trends, challenges, or 'wars' that are spread online risk encouraging violence offline, while real-world incidents may also be recorded and promoted online.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ALGORITHMIC EXPOSURE

Social media platforms are designed to keep users engaged, meaning dramatic or extreme content can spread widely and quickly. Algorithms often recommend content that reflects users' past interactions. As a result, young people may see more violent material if they have viewed, commented on, or shared it before. Repeated exposure can make violent content appear frequently in their feeds without them fully understanding why.

WEAPONS AND CRIMINAL RISK

Teens exposed to high levels of real-world violence on social media sometimes report feeling an increased need to carry a weapon for 'self-protection'; however, carrying a weapon increases the risk of victimisation (harm and injury by others) for young people. In addition, carrying a weapon is a serious offence that can lead to police arrest and a criminal record.

SHARING VIOLENT CONTENT

Encouraging or assisting an offence is a crime in the UK, including via social media, and can lead to arrest. This means sharing, forwarding, or reposting violent content carries a risk for young people too. Showing examples of content to a trusted adult is appropriate, but young people should take care not to further spread violent material by posting it online or sharing it within large messaging groups.

FEAR, ANXIETY, AND MARGINALISATION

Research shows young people's emotional wellbeing can be negatively impacted by repeated exposure to violent online content, especially when it depicts 'real-world' violence (as opposed to fictional depictions in games or films). Posts featuring weapons, threats, attacks, and fights – or content that appears to glamorise gang activity – can increase feelings of anxiety or fear among young people. Material that encourages violence targeting people because of their identity, such as their nationality or religion, can also create disproportionate harm for children belonging to those groups.

AVOIDANCE AND ISOLATION

Real-world violence on social media can increase young people's belief that their local communities – or the 'outside world' more generally – are unsafe places. This can result in avoidant and isolating behaviours, which may negatively affect their wellbeing. As well as feeling fearful of others, teens also report feeling judged for spending time together in large groups, which may affect their social interactions and leisure time.

Advice for Parents & Educators

STAY INFORMED

Stay alert for updates from police, schools, or local authorities, and follow the advice provided. Be cautious about unofficial accounts, fake content, and misinformation, which can spread quickly online or in chat groups. Ensure you get accurate information from trusted sources and encourage young people to do the same. Remind them never to share violent content online and to speak to a trusted adult instead.

DISCUSS SOCIAL MEDIA

Encourage young people to talk about the content they see online and the effect it can have. This can be an opportunity to discuss topics such as misinformation, AI-generated material, the attention economy, and algorithms, helping them understand how and why extreme content can spread online. Explore tools available to block, report, and remove harmful content, and signpost where to get support and advice, such as reportharmfulcontent.com.

TALK CRIME AND SAFETY

In most of the UK, the age of criminal responsibility is 10 (12 in Scotland). This means there can be serious criminal consequences for carrying a weapon, taking part in violence, or filming or sharing violent content. Discuss the law with young people alongside practical safety strategies. Ask questions such as: "What could you do if you feel unsafe?" Work together on action plans and remind them they can contact a trusted adult or the police if they witness or experience violence.

ENCOURAGE POSITIVE ACTION

Focus on strengthening young people's positive experiences both online and within their local communities. Discuss strategies to reduce negative social media effects, such as time limits, unfollowing certain accounts, or taking breaks from apps. Encourage offline activities such as spending time with friends, visiting local places, and taking part in hobbies that bring them joy, purpose, and connection. Remind them they can seek support with any concerns at any time via childline.org.uk.

Meet Our Expert

Dr. Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading UK expert in media law, online safety, and young people. Her PhD investigates youth understandings of criminal and legal risks in a digital context. She works in schools to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal, and ethical considerations of rapidly advancing technologies.



The National College

See full reference list on our website

School Nursing Team DROP IN

Speak to a member of our school nursing team about various health topics including emotional health, diet, healthy lifestyles, sleep, bed-wetting & constipation, head lice and behaviour.

When?

20th May 2026 @ 9.30am-11:30am

17th June 2026 @ 9.30am-11:30am

15th July 2026 @ 9.30am-11:30am

Where?

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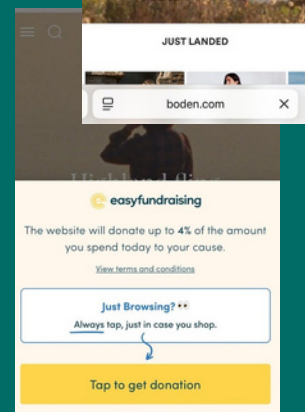
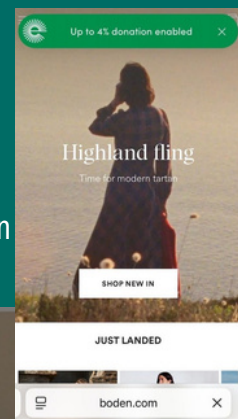
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Affordable Pre-Loved Uniforms – Supporting Every Family.

The PTFA is proud to offer a range of pre-loved school uniform through our Uniformerly page, helping families save money while promoting sustainability.

What's Available:

Non-branded items – Free of charge

Jumpers & Cardigans – £5

Blazers – £10

Ties - £1.50

Book Bags - £2.00

Items with minor marks or damage are listed at half price, and everything is sent home with your child for convenience.

How to Order: Browse online and place orders easily. You can even set up alerts to be notified when new items are listed.

Peace of Mind: If you receive something you're not happy with, just get in touch—refunds are available, no fuss.

Need support? If you're finding it difficult to purchase uniform, please speak to your child's teacher. Alternatively, you can email us at ptfa@lytham.lancs.sch.uk and we'll work with the school to ensure support is provided discreetly.

Want to Donate? If you have uniform to donate, simply drop it into the collection bin in the school office. Every item helps another family and keeps good clothing out of landfill.

Let's work together to make sure every child has what they need to feel confident and comfortable at school.



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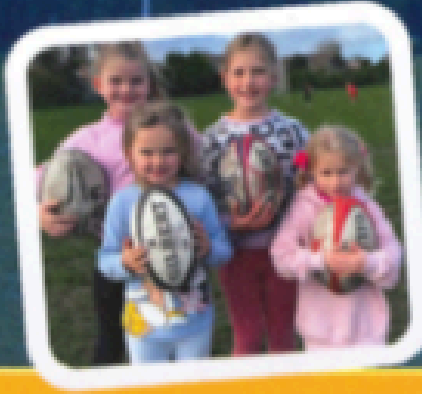
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