

HOLLY GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



6TH OCTOBER 2025



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Reminder

The school photographer will be with us in school on Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th October 2025.



From Monday, 13th October, the School Council will be selling poppies and related items in school to support the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal. This is an important opportunity for our pupils to show respect and remembrance for those who have served and continue to serve.

We will have the following items available:

- Stick-on poppies
- Wristbands
- Coat reflectors
- Bracelets
- Stickers



We ask for a suggested donation of £1 per item.

If your child would like to purchase one, please send the correct money in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with your child's name, class, and the item(s) they would like to buy. The School Council will be selling these items during school time.

Thank you very much for your continued support in helping us contribute to such a meaningful cause.



Staff Development



Wednesday 8th October

Safer Eating Training

Wednesday 15th October

Communication/Reading
Workshops

Wednesday 5th November

Attention Autism

Wednesday 12th November

Class Teams/Supervision

Wednesday 19th November

Online Safety/AI

Wednesday 26th November

Christmas Prep



Chill and Chat



We are holding our next Chill and Chat group on

**TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2025
FROM 1-3PM.**

This is an informal group for our parent's/carer's and you are welcome to attend, have a brew and a chat.

There will be no guest speaker at the group this week; however, it is an opportunity for you to unwind and chat with other parents. Our guest speaker this month is Nick Barrett, Pastoral Manager, who will provide an informational session on PRICE (Protecting Rights In a Caring Environment).

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO BRING IN ANY SNACKS TO SHARE.



THANK
YOU!!

Pendleside
Hospice



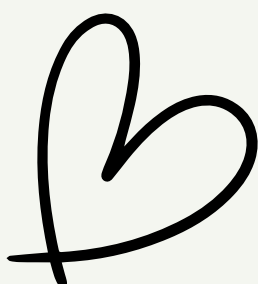
A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our Coffee Afternoon in support of the fantastic Pendleside Hospice

We raised £237.75 🎉



CANCER
RESEARCH
UK

One of our wonderful Teaching Assistants, Rebecca and her family are taking on a special challenge to raise money for Cancer Research UK. This cause is very close to their heart, as they are doing it in support of a dear friend. We're so proud of the effort they are putting in and wish them every success. If you'd like to support their fundraising, please click the link.
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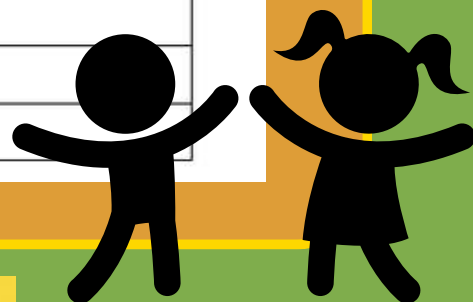


Stay and Play

Stay and Play Afternoons – Autumn Term 2025 1.30-2.30pm (unless otherwise stated)

Aisling's Class	Monday 20 th October (1.45pm-2.45pm)	
Katie's Class	Wednesday 15 th October	
Samantha's Class	Thursday 2 nd October	
Adam's Class	Thursday 16 th October	
Josh's Class	Tuesday 7 th October	
Leah's Class	Tuesday 14 th October	
Laura's Class	Thursday 2 nd October	
Courtney's Class	Wednesday 22 nd October	
Julie's Class	Wednesday 22 nd October	
Jenny's Class	Tuesday 14 th October	
Libby's Class	Wednesday 15 th October	
Michael's Class	Wednesday 22 nd October	

Here is a list of each class's stay and play sessions for the Autumn Term. You are very welcome to attend the session of the class your child belongs to.





100 CLUB



OCTOBER 2025

Well done to our October
100 club winners.
Cheques are in the post.

Number 28 - Lindsay Maslin-Rawcliffe £50
Number 31 - Aisling Carruthers £25



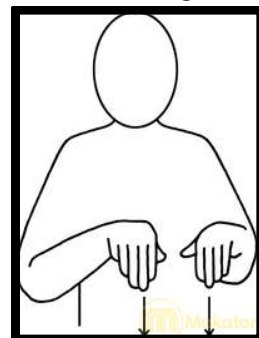


Sign of the week

Buy

Shop

We are putting 2 different Makaton signs every week onto the newsletter. These are our school signs of the week and your child will be practising them in class. These will give you the opportunity to practise different signs with your child at home.





We really welcome any positive comments or suggestions you may have about Holly Grove School. Please click the link to share your views with us. Please note this is for comments and suggestions only and although checked regularly will not be checked daily. Any queries, concerns or complaints should be submitted in the normal way by contacting your child's class teacher, a member of SLT or by following the Procedure for Handling Complaints Policy which can be found on our school website or by requesting a copy from the school office.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTyPviLN3pzurXOKyakrxOY-1clISF5rlyZBfDNltKBx3WfQ/viewform?usp=header>



MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER

Harvest Day

6TH AND 7TH OCTOBER

School Photographer

10TH OF OCTOBER

None Uniform day
+Danceathon for
Pendleside Hospice

17TH OCTOBER

Charity Night

27-31TH OCTOBER

Half-Term

3RD NOVEMBER

School re-opens

10TH NOVEMBER

Odd Sock Day

You can access all our policies and privacy notices on the school website
www.holly-grove.lancs.sch.uk



HOLLY GROVE HEROES



Aisling's Class- Rosie

Katie's Class - Caledon

Samantha's Class- Nasir

Leah's Class- Lucie

Josh's Class- David

Courtney's Class - Hana

Laura's Class -Eva

Julie's Class - Stanley

Adam's Class - Louie

Libby's Class - Sofia

Jenny's Class- Theo S

Michael's Class - Lucas





Presents

HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR!

Saturday 1st November

1.30 – 4.30pm

Rosegrove Railway Club

Back Rosegrove Lane

BB12 6HX

In aid of

Friends of Ridgewood School

£5 entry includes buffet and a

Spooky sing and sign-along

*Various activities to enjoy including Tombola and
Raffle!*

Get your tickets at

<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/choir-events-4445973>





**RIDGEWOOD
COMMUNITY HIGH
SCHOOL**

OPEN EVENING!

**WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER
4.30 - 6.30 PM**

WHY CHOOSE RIDGEWOOD?

Our modern campus, with its distinctive infrastructure, includes specialist rooms for multi-sensory activities, music, drama and Art. We offer a caring and safe environment for children and young adults with diverse special educational needs and disabilities.

Our curriculum is broad and ambitious, with high expectations for our pupils; not only to meet their academic goals but encouraging them to meet their potential in all aspects of their lives. We have tailor-made lessons that consider our pupil's interests, making sure our pupils feel safe, secure and a valued part of our school community



Ofsted Rating : Good

"Pupils benefit from the strong and positive relationships that they have with staff in school. They know that they can trust the adults around them to keep them safe....Pupils show respect to others. They accept each other's unique differences."

Ofsted report 2023

**Secondary School: 11-19 year olds
Special Needs Education**

**COME ALONG AND
JOIN US!**

Contact Information

- ☎ 01282 953 653
- 🌐 www.ridgewood.lancs.sch.uk
- ✉ office@ridgewood.lancs.sch.uk
- 📍 Eastern Ave. Burnley, BB10 2AT

Carers Link Speaker
Angela Bannett

We're pleased to inform you that representatives from Carers Link will be visiting to conduct an informal chat session with our parents.

Carers Link is an organisation that supports unpaid carers—people who look after a family member or friend due to illness, disability, mental health challenges, or addiction.

They provide information, emotional support, practical help, and opportunities to connect with others in similar situations.

During this relaxed session, Carers Link will explain the range of support they can offer to parents.

**Contact Family
Support if you
wish to join this
workshop.**

Date: 9th October 2025
Time: 2pm
Location-Holly Grove School



Bug Club



Bug Club
Phonics

BUG CLUB

PARENT WORKSHOPS



MONDAY 13TH
OCTOBER, 2025

WORKSHOP ONE - 1:30PM-2:30PM
WORKSHOP TWO - 3:30PM-4:30PM

PLEASE REPLY TO YOUR SCHOOL SPIDER MESSAGE
TO BOOK YOUR PLACE.
BY WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2025



AT
HOLLY GROVE SCHOOL



UP COMING SPEAKERS AND
SESSIONS

CHILL AND CHAT

21/10/25

PRICE

(Protecting Rights In a Caring Environment)
with Pastoral Manager **Nick Barrett**.

25/11/25

Lancashire Parent Carer Forum with
steering group member and chair of East Downs'
Syndrome Support Group, **Rachel Shatliff**.

16/12/25

Christmas catch-up



27/01/26

Communication with
Communication Lead **Michelle Grimshaw**.

24/02/26

Behaviour + Regulation with
Assistant Head **Connor Moffatt**.





TRANQUIL SOUND HEALING SESSIONS

SOUNDBATH MEDITATION

OCTOBER 14, 2025 AT 10 AM

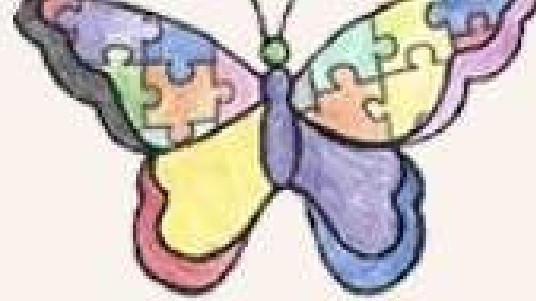
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✨TAKE A MOMENT TO PAUSE AND RECHARGE✨

JOIN US FOR A SOOTHING SOUNDBATH WITH GUIDED MEDITATION, DESIGNED TO HELP YOU RELEASE STRESS, RESTORE CALM, AND REPLENISH YOUR ENERGY. SURROUNDED BY GENTLE SOUNDS AND SUPPORTIVE GUIDANCE, YOU'LL HAVE THE CHANCE TO RELAX DEEPLY AND RECONNECT WITH A SENSE OF BALANCE AND EASE.

👤 ♀ NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED – JUST BRING YOURSELF AND AN OPEN MIND.

🎵 LEAVE FEELING LIGHTER, CALMER, AND REFRESHED.



THE GEORGIA FOURIE

Butterfly Ball 2026

Do you know anyone – or any business – who would love to support our charity by donating a raffle prize for the Butterfly Ball 2026? 💜 Prizes could be vouchers, hampers, beauty items, or bottles – big or small, every donation makes a difference!

If you can help, please drop prizes at the school office or contact Courtney Fourie.

Thank you for helping us make next year's ball truly magical! 🌸

06.06.26

Save the Date

The Georgia Fourie Butterfly Ball

6TH JUNE 2026 - 7PM
BURNLEY FOOTBALL CLUB



UK Health
Security
Agency

NHS

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox

at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over

Diarrhoea and Vomiting

48 hours after their last episode

Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)

they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.

Impetigo

their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
4 days after the rash first appeared

Measles

5 days after the swelling started

Mumps

they've had their first treatment

Scabies

Scarlet Fever

24 hours after they started taking antibiotics

Whooping Cough

48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth

Glandular fever

Head lice

Tonsillitis

Threadworms

Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.



BAG 2 SCHOOL

Holly Grove is in partnership with Bag 2 School.

Bags 2 School is a company that specialises in good quality second-hand clothing.

Please help the school raise money by donating good quality adult or child clothing you may no longer need.

**Please return your donations by
9am on 7TH of October.**

**Please note, no school or work uniforms
can be accepted.**



GEORGIA FOURIE
BUTTERFLY FUND
PRESENTS

CASH
PRIZES FOR
THE
WINNERS

LET IT SHINE!

TALENT SHOW!

FRIDAY
17 OCT | 7 PM

ROSEGROVE UNITY, BURNLEY

TICKETS £10 ADULTS £5 UNDER 12S
INCLUDES PIE & PEAS SUPPER, QUIZ,
ENTERTAINMENT AND RAFFLE

Optimistic October 2025

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



1 Write down three things you can look forward to this month

2 Find something to be optimistic about (even if it's a difficult time)

3 Take a small step towards a goal that really matters to you

4 Start your day with the most important thing on your to-do list

5 Be a realistic optimist. See life as it is, but focus on what's good

6 Remind yourself that things can change for the better

7 Look for the good in people around you today

8 Make some progress on a project or task you have been avoiding

9 Share an important goal with someone you trust

10 Take time to reflect on what you have accomplished recently

11 Avoid blaming yourself or others. Find a helpful way forward

12 Look out for positive news and reasons to be cheerful today

13 Ask for help to overcome an obstacle you are facing

14 Do something constructive to improve a difficult situation

15 Thank yourself for achieving the things you often take for granted

16 Put down your to-do list and do something fun or uplifting

17 Take a small step towards a positive change you want to see in society

18 Set hopeful but realistic goals for the days ahead

19 Identify one of your positive qualities that will be helpful in the future

20 Find joy in tackling a task you've put off for some time

21 Let go of the expectations of others and focus on what matters to you

22 Share a hopeful quote, picture or video with a friend or colleague

23 Recognise that you have a choice about what to prioritise

24 Write down three specific things that have gone well recently

25 You can't do everything! What are your three priorities right now?

26 Find a new perspective on a problem you face

27 Be kind to yourself today. Remember, progress takes time

28 Ask yourself, will this still matter a year from now?

29 Plan a fun or exciting activity to look forward to

30 Identify three things that give you hope for the future

31 Set a goal that brings a sense of purpose for the coming month



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together



SEN coffee morning



**SEN
PARENT
SUPPORT
NETWORK**

**SEN
ACTIVITIES**
INCLUSIVE SESSIONS FOR
ALL AGES

**BASICALLY
Cheer**

Looking for a friendly and fun way to connect with other SEN families?

Join our monthly parent support network coffee morning for an informal drop in and chat with like minded people.

Parenting is better with a bit of laughter and great company!

What's included:

- FREE refreshments
- Sessions delivered by external agencies
- Share stories
- Swap tips in a relaxed, supportive atmosphere
- Signposting & support

**Monthly on a Wednesday
9:15AM - 10:30AM**

FREE

Dates for your diary:

- 23rd April - Let's get brushing (Oral Health Training)
- 21st May - New Era
- 18th June - Parent Led Session
- 16th July - Lancashire Mind
- 10th September - Sendias
- 8th October - Parent Led Session
- 5th November - ADHD Northwest
- 10th December - Carers Link

BASICALLY CHEER CIC, COG LANE, BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE BB11 5AH
MOBILE: 07766743934 EMAIL: HELLO@BASICALLYCHEERCIC.COM

Wed, 10 Sep at 09:15

SEN coffee morning

Basically Cheer CIC · Burnley

Going

Lancashire SEND Roadshow

2025/2026

The roadshows are for families and practitioners to find out more about support and services available for Children and Young People with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and their parents and carers.

These Roadshows are happening across Lancashire bringing the SEND Local Offer to your area.

The SEND Local Offer brings together all services in Lancashire for children and young people aged 0-25 with SEND, and their families.



North Lancashire Directions Group

8 Aug · 🌐

Timeline photos

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Lancashire
SEND
Roadshow

Dates across Lancashire are:

25th Sept 2025 9:30 – 1 pm	Kirkham Family Hub
22nd Oct 2025 9:30 – 1 pm	Skelmersdale Family Hub and The Zone
3rd Dec 2025 9:30 – 1pm	Pendle and Burnley 1882 Lounge Burnley Football Club
28th January 2026 9:30 – 1 pm	The Park Family Hub Accrington
4th February 2026 9:30 – 1 pm	Inspire Youth Zone Chorley
26th March 2026 9:30 – 1 pm	Clitheroe Family Hub
15th April 2026 9:30 – 1 pm	Lune Park Family Hub Lancaster
6th May 2026 9:30 – 1 pm	Rawtenstall Family Hub and the Zone
16th June 2026 9:30 – 1 pm	Fleetwood Library
1st July 2026 1:30 – 4:30 pm	Moor Nook Ribblesdale Family Hub

To book please use the following
<https://forms.office.com/e/yVJR4rwppk>



Burnley, Pendle, Rossendale

Additional Needs Groups & activities

Sept-Dec 2019



Busy Bees Stay and Play Support Group @ Colne Children's Centre BB8 0EL
Mondays 9.30-11.30 Ages 0-5
01282 690536
info@homestartpendle.plus.com

Uniqorns SEND group @Burnley Central Zone
Tuesdays 7.00-9.00
Ages 12-19+
Kelvin 07880 401463

Action For ASD Stay and Play Burnley
Thursdays 9.30-11.30
5th Sept, 3rd Oct,
7th Nov, 5th Dec
Ages 0-5 £2.50 per child
01282 415455

Cotton Shed Theatre @Haslingden Primary School Rossendale
Ages 4-7 Tues 4.30-5.30
Ages 8-11 Tues 5.45-7.00
Ages 12-15 Mon 5.30-6.45
Ages 16+ Mon 7.15-8.30
£5.00 (£4.50 Siblings)
01706 214309
info@cottonshed.co.uk
www.cottonshed.co.uk

Homestart @The Family Tree Centre Brierfield
Mondays 12.30-2.30 Ages 0-5
07702555078
rachael@homestarteastlancs.org

Shining Stars @South West Burnley Neighbourhood Centre
Thursdays 3.30-5.30
Ages 5-11
01282 628530

Action for ASD Parent carer Coffee Morning Burnley
Fridays 11.00-1.00
6th +20th Sept, 4th +18th Oct,
1st,15th,29th Nov, 13th Dec
01282 415455

Air Autism @Air Unlimited Inflatables Burnley BB11 3AQ
Mondays 6.00-8.00
£6.50 carer FREE
01282 930300
www.airunlimited.co.uk

Kidz to Adultz North 14th November 9.30-4.00
Event City, Barton Rd Manchester FREE entry
<https://www.kidzexhibitions.co.uk/kidz-north/>

northlancsdirectionsgroup@gmail.com

Feel Good Fridays

@ Holly Grove

Relaxed • Friendly • Supportive •
By Parents for Parents

Come and join us for a warm drink, a chat, and a chance to share stories, worries, tips, and laughter with other Holly Grove parents.

Location:

Upper School Dinner Hall

(Enter via the Main Turning Circle entrance)

Time: 9 am - 11 am

Dates for 2025-2026:

3rd October

7th November

5th December

9th January

6th February

6th March

17th April

1st May

5th June

3rd July





Pupil Holiday Dates – 2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025

Re-open		Wednesday 3 September 2025
Half Term	5 days	Monday 27 October Friday 31 October (inclusive)
Re-open		Monday 3 November

Christmas - Closure after school on Friday 19 December 2025

Spring Term 2026

Re-open		Monday 5th January 2026
Half Term	5 days	Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February (inclusive)
Re-open		Tuesday 24 February

Easter - Closure after school on Friday 27 March 2026

Summer Term 2026

Re-open		Monday 13 April 2026
May Day	1 day	Monday 4 May
Half Term	5 days	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May (inclusive)
Re-open		Tuesday 2 June

Summer - Closure after school on Friday 17 July 2026