

Moorside News 9th October 2026

Welcome to our first newsletter for October. As always, there has been a lot going on and if you have been on our Facebook page you will have seen some of the things which have been happening.

National Poetry Day and Lancaster Literary Festival

To celebrate National Poetry Day, our Year 6 wrote poems about local landmarks, inspired by the theme of wonder. We are very proud of the children and the fact that the poems have been published on Lancaster Literary Festivals' website. As far as we can tell, we are the only school listed!

LCC - School Age Childcare Survey

We have been asked to share the following details about a parent survey for Lancashire County Council.



1 - School Age Childcare Survey¹

¹<https://online1.snapsurveys.com/Interview/dd1b9756-76b4-4da3-aa6b-3ebc1992d9a8>

Flu Vaccinations

The school nurses have now completed the vaccinations in school.

If your child missed this for any reason you can contact the school nurse team on 01253 951984 and they will advise you what you can do to get the vaccine.

Harvest Festival Food Collection

Many thanks for all the food donated for our Harvest Festival.

We had our biggest ever haul of food bank donations for The Olive Branch who were extremely thankful. Donations slow down at this time of year to the food bank so these donations have gone a long way in replenishing their stocks.





KS2 Halloween Disco



2 - Please note the different times for the year groups. Full details of drop off and pick arrangements to follow.

Lost Property

We have a few unnamed coats (see picture below). If you recognise your child's coat please collect it from the school office.

We also have a lot of unnamed jumpers/cardigans which are in a tub in the school office foyer. Please feel free to come and take from the box if needed.

A few 'bits and bobs', hats, water bottles etc are also in a box in the school office foyer. If you recognise anything please come and collect.

Any named items have been left in the lost property boxes dotted around school and will be returned by our Year 6 uniform monitors throughout the week.



Community News

Learn French with Sarah McSweeney

Group sessions from £40 / hour (3 people). Friends/families/colleagues.

1-1 £30 / hour

Online sessions available

Any level, any motivation (exam support / as a hobby / holiday prep)

Have fun and make progress at your own rate!

Friendly, fun and 5* rated, I'm a degree-qualified tutor with 25 years' experience

Book your first session on 07794 568050

Find me on Facebook at Tutoring in French - Sarah McSweeney



Introducing Neu Way Support

Support for families of children and young people with neurodevelopmental needs



Neu Way Support provides early support for families of children and young people aged 0-25 with neurodevelopmental differences. You don't need a diagnosis or be on a waiting list to access support.

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.

Families and professionals can refer to access support.



Google Neu Way Support Spring North to find out more. Parents can call us free on 0300 365 5030





Tier 1

Your first conversation

Your journey starts with a conversation. One of our experienced practitioners will:

- Take the time to understand your family's situation and how things are affecting day-to-day life
- Help you make sense of your concerns, answering any questions you may have
- Provide practical advice and personalised resources you can start using straight away
- Create a plan together, connecting you to the right support through Neu Way Support

Tier 2

Choose the support that's right for you

Together, we'll identify the support that best meets your family's needs, including:



Programmes

These include, but are not limited to, Cygnet and Teenlife courses



Workshops

Practical sessions based on local need and referral themes



Drop-in sessions

Ongoing advice and support when you need it



Referrals and signposting

Connecting you with other specialist or local services



All of the above support is available both online and face-to-face, all delivered at various times throughout the day to support all parents and carers across Lancashire and South Cumbria.



SPRING NORTH

COLLABORATION - INNOVATION - IMPACT



NHS
Lancashire and South Cumbria
Integrated Care Board

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Lancaster & Morecambe College, LA1 2TY

Surface: 3G

- AGE GROUP COACHING**
- 1-2-1 COACHING**
- SMALL GROUP COACHING**
- POSITION SPECIFIC MASTERCLASS**
- GOALKEEPER TRAINING**
- FOOTBALL CAMPS**

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YOUTH HOOPS BASKETBALL

COME AND JOIN BASKETBALL GROUPS!

LANCASTER • KENDAL • SEDBERGH • MILNTHORPE

AGES 4-17

TALENTED PLAYERS GET A CHANCE TO PLAY FOR OUR

- ★ U12 BOYS ACADEMY
- ★ U12 GIRLS ACADEMY
- ★ U16 BOYS ACADEMY

LOCAL LEAGUE STARTING IN **SEPTEMBER**

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!

ALL SKILLS AND ABILITIES, BOYS AND GIRLS ARE WELCOME!


WHATSAPP MESSAGE FOR NEW ENQUIRIES
DOM ON 07796205746



OR CONTACT US VIA OUR FACEBOOK OR INSTAGRAM PAGES

 DEVELOP SKILLS
  BUILD CONFIDENCE
  MAKE FRIENDS
  BE PART OF A TEAM



WE ARE RECRUITING GIRLS



JOIN OUR YOUTH HOOPS ACADEMY

Opportunity to play for our Academy in Basketball England's North West Regional League competitions.



 **U12 TEAM**
Girls in school years 5-7

 **DEVELOPMENT U14/U15 TEAM**
Girls in school years 7-9

 **TRAINING SESSIONS**
in Lancaster or Kendal.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

or parents and guardians to e-mail youth.hoops.basketball@gmail.com or message Coach Dom on Whatsapp

 07796205746

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WEEKLY TIMETABLE

SEPT - JUNE

AGE GROUP	LOCATION	VENUE	DAY	TIME
 4-6 YEARS OLD MIXED	LANCASTER	CUMBRIA UNIVERSITY SPORTS HALL, LAN	SUNDAYS	11:00AM
 6-9 YEARS OLD MIXED	MILNTHORPE	DALLAM SCHOOL SPORTS HALL	THURSDAYS	5:00PM
 6-9 YEARS OLD MIXED	LANCASTER	CUMBRIA UNIVERSITY SPORTS HALL, LAN	SUNDAYS	10:00AM
 9-11 YEARS OLD BOYS	LANCASTER	LANCASTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL	SUNDAYS	11:00AM
 9-12 YEARS OLD BOYS	LANCASTER	LANCASTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL	THURSDAYS	5:30PM
 9-12 YEARS OLD BOYS	KENDAL	KENDAL LEISURE CENTRE	WEDNESDAYS	5:00PM
 9-12 YEARS OLD BOYS	SEDBERGH	THE HIRST CENTRE	FRIDAYS	6:00PM
 9-13 YEARS OLD GIRLS ONLY	LANCASTER	LANCASTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL	SUNDAYS	10:00AM
 9-13 YEARS OLD GIRLS ONLY	KENDAL	KENDAL LEISURE CENTRE	WEDNESDAYS	6:00PM
 11-14 YEARS OLD BOYS	LANCASTER	LANCASTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL	TUESDAYS	5:30PM
 11-14 YEARS OLD BOYS	KENDAL	KENDAL LEISURE CENTRE	WEDNESDAYS	7:00PM
 14-17 YEARS OLD BOYS	KENDAL	KENDAL LEISURE CENTRE	WEDNESDAYS	8:00PM
 14-17 YEARS OLD BOYS	LANCASTER	LANCASTER ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL	SUNDAYS	6:00PM
 14-17 YEARS OLD BOYS	LANCASTER	SALT AYRE LEISURE CENTRE	MONDAYS	7:30PM



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TO SIGN UP!

ALL ABILITIES WELCOME

FUN, SKILL DEVELOPMENT & GAME PLAY

FULLY QUALIFIED COACHES

SAFE, FRIENDLY & INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT

BUILDING CONFIDENCE | MAKING FRIENDS | DEVELOPING PLAYERS



Football4Fun

⚽ OCTOBER FOOTBALL CAMP ⚽

Our popular football camps are back this October! Get ready for 4 days of high-energy football, exciting competitions, plenty of game time and loads of fun! Whether your child is just starting out or already loves the game, our camp provides a positive, friendly and inclusive environment where players of all abilities can develop their skills and enjoy their football. 🏆 🌟

📅 Monday 26th – Thursday 29th October

🕒 9:00am – 3:00pm | Early drop-off available

📍 Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster

👶 Ages 4–12

💷 £70 per child | £60 siblings

🔗 WHAT TO EXPECT

- Fun games & skill challenges
- Small-sided matches
- Competitions, prizes & World Cup Finals Day!
- Qualified, DBS-checked coaches
- Fun, positive & inclusive environment
- 🏆 Medal for every child!

📅 FINAL DAY PRESENTATION – 2:30pm *Parents welcome!*

📞 BOOK NOW: Text or call Jacob 07710 541988



Find us on
Facebook

Diary Dates

October 2026

Tues 13th 3MB and half of 3D trip to Martin Mere
Fri 16th 1/2C Silverdale trip
Mon 19th 4O trip to Housesteads Roman Fort
Tues 20th 4B trip to Housesteads Roman Fort
Wed 21st 4SM trip to Housesteads Roman Fort
Thurs 22nd KS2 Halloween Disco - More details to follow
Thurs 22nd Last day before half term
Fri 23rd School closed - Inset day

November 2026

Mon 2nd School re-opens
Fri 6th Food Bank Friday
Mon 16th Individual class photos

Term Dates 2026-2027

Moorside Primary School

School Terms and Holiday Pattern (2026/27)



Autumn Term 2026

Closed for INSET	Tuesday 1 st September 2026
Closed for INSET	Wednesday 2 nd September 2026
Re-Open for children on	Thursday 3 rd September
School finishes after school on	Thursday 22 nd October 2026 (3.15pm finish)
Closed for INSET	Friday 23 rd October 2026
Mid-term Closure	Monday 26 th October - Friday 30 th October 2026 (inclusive)
School re-opens on	Monday 2 nd November 2026
School finishes after school on	Friday 18 th December 2026 (2.00pm finish)
Number of openings	71 (plus 3 INSET)

Spring Term 2027

School re-opens on	Monday 4 th January 2027
School finishes after school on	Friday 12 th February 2027 (3.15pm)
Mid-Term Closure	Monday 15 th February - Friday 19 th February 2027 (inclusive)
School re-opens on	Monday 22 nd February 2027
School closes after school on	Thursday 25 th March 2027 (2.00pm finish)
Number of openings	54

Summer Term 2027

School re-opens on	Monday 12 th April 2027
May Day Closure	Monday 3 rd May 2027
School finishes after school on	Thursday 27 th May 2027 (3.15pm finish)
Closed for INSET	Friday 28 th May 2027
Mid-Term Closure	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June 2027 (inclusive)
School re-opens on	Monday 7 th June 2027
School closes after school on	Tuesday 20 th July 2027 (2.00pm finish)
Closed for INSET	Wednesday 21 st July 2027
Number of openings	65 (plus 2 INSET)

Total Number of Openings – 190 (plus 5 INSET days)

Absence during term time can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. If you do have to take your child out of school in term time, you must complete a Holiday/Extended Leave Form (available from the School Office or our website) for the Headteacher's consideration at least 3 weeks beforehand. No leave may be taken for Year 6 pupils during SATs week.

Important Reminders

WE ARE A NUT/SESAME FREE SCHOOL

Please do not send nuts/sesame into school