



Message from Mrs Maher!

Autumn is almost upon us and the month of September will shortly come to a close, our children are settling well into their new classrooms. Please do follow us on X to see what the children are busy doing whilst in lessons.

We are really proud of our new Nursery and Reception children who have taken, in their stride, starting their learning journeys at Crow Orchard.

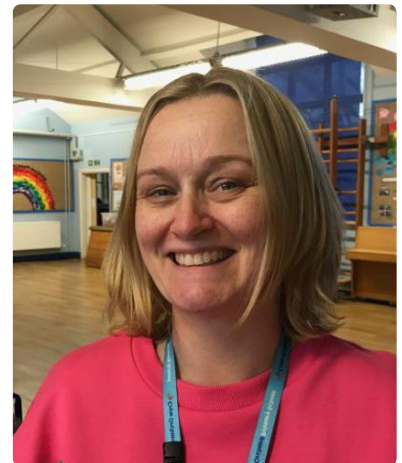
We have our Open Morning scheduled in for Saturday 2nd November- we will be inviting children to come into school- watch this space!

Attendance Matters! We have made a good start this year with attendance for most children being above 96%. Please remember that holiday forms must be completed and handed into the school office at least two weeks before a holiday starts. Holidays in term time will not be authorised unless evidence of exceptional circumstances can be shown.

Please do read our Attendance Policy and ensure that you follow it.

Make some space in your diaries for all our community events planned this term- we cannot wait to see you! Please refer to the dates on our monthly newsletters.

Here' s to an exciting Autumn term of learning and fun!



Attendance This Month

Rec

92.2%

Yr 1

94.2%

Yr 2

91.8%

Yr 3

96%

Yr 4

93.9%

Yr 5

94.1%

Yr 6

84%

Target - 97%

Dates for the Diary!

Thursday 10th October - World Mental Health Day

Friday 18th October - Non-uniform day Rainbow Raffle (more info to follow)

Friday 18th October - School close normal time for half term

Thursday 31st October – Halloween Disco



Saturday 2nd November - Open Day - 09.00-11.30

Friday 15th November – Children in Need Day (more info to follow)

Wednesday 4th December– Christmas Fair – 5.30pm – 7.00pm

Wednesday 11th December – 1.30pm KS1 Show

Thursday 12th December – 9.30 KS1 Show

Thursday 12th December – McDonalds Xmas Movie Night – EYFS/KS1 - Rebecca

Monday 16th December – EYFS/KS1 party day

Tuesday 17th December – KS2 Party Day

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas Dinner/Christmas Jumper

Thursday 19th December – 10 am – Church

School Closes after School on 19th December

Friday 20th December – INSET Day in school

[Click here for full calendar](#)

World Mental Health Day



YOUNGMINDS

**Hello
Yellow**
THURS 10 OCT

Wear it loud. Wear it proud.

This World Mental Health Day, 10th October, wear yellow and donate to YoungMinds.

Less than 1 in 3 young people are getting the support they need for their mental health. This needs to change. With your support – it can.

#HelloYellow

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YoungMinds, registered Charity in England (1010886) and Scotland (SC038701)

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The Big Volunteer!

On Thursday 17th October we are hosting a day of volunteering at our lovely school. Can you spare an hour? A morning? An afternoon? We need your help to improve our Early Years Provision. Are you good at digging? Can you paint? Please call the school office and let us know if you can help us. Thank you

THE CALM CENTRE

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WHO & WHAT IS THE CALM CENTRE?

Hello I'm Mandy, the owner of The Calm Centre. I am a coach qualified in Baby Mindful, Relax Kids and Charge Up. I am also a qualified and insured Reiki Practitioner.

In the past, I have worked with people from all walks of life, and supported all ages, ranging from youngsters with complex needs, vulnerable adults, and seniors.

We have weekly classes available at The Calm Centre for a range of ages and abilities. New classes being added regularly. You can also book a Reiki session from September 3rd 2024.

OUR MISSION TO IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING:

Over the years, it became obvious to me that looking after our Mental Health is as important as looking after our physical health.

The more research I did, the more passionate about supporting families and individuals I became. I try my best to keep my prices affordable for everyone, so that I can pass on my knowledge to others.

Give yourself/child the skills and techniques to manage and navigate around the stresses and emotions of everyday time via awareness and relaxation.

SHOP OPENING HOURS

Wednesday - 10am - 1pm
Fridays - 1pm - 3.30pm
Saturdays - 10am - 1pm

Keep a look out on social media for future dates for our fabulous monthly **Facebook LIVE Sales!** Perfect for gift ideas or Wellbeing Products



Scan me!

AT A GLANCE

CLASS TIMETABLE

- **Mon 4pm:** Little Stars (Under 5's)
- **Mon 5pm:** Chill Skills (Young Teens)
- **Mon 6pm:** ChargeUp (Older Teens)
- **Tues 6.30pm:** Adult Relaxation
- **Wed 1:00 - 2.30pm:** Chill, Chat & Card Making (First Wed of each month)
- **Thur 1.15pm:** Adult Relax
- **Fri 4pm:** Relax Kids (Ages 6 - 11)
- **Fri 5pm:** Relax Kids (Y7 & 8 only)
- **DM to book your Reiki Session**



MANDY OWEN
Owner

*Since 2020, The Calm Centre has been evolving to become a welcoming, friendly and relaxed space for all to enjoy

PARENT/CARER CONSULTATIONS

We offer a free and confidential service supporting children and young people, aged 5-18, with mild to moderate emotional health and wellbeing needs.

We work in 63 schools and colleges throughout Chorley, South Ribble, Preston and West Lancs.

Are you the parent/carer of a young person who is experiencing mild to moderate anxiety or low mood?

This could look like:



FEELING WORRIED



STRUGGLING TO SLEEP



WITHDRAWAL FROM FAMILY, FRIENDS AND/OR USUAL ACTIVITIES



STRUGGLING TO CONCENTRATE



TEARFUL

IF ANY OF THE ABOVE SOUNDS LIKE YOUR CHILD/YOUNG PERSON WE CAN HELP!

If your young person attends one of our 63 schools we can offer a consultation with one of our friendly practitioners.

They can offer you advice, guidance and signposting to support you to support your child/young person.

To complete our consultation form Scan our QR Code or type in the web address below into your web browser.

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Primary School Admissions

If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery* you can now apply for their primary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

It's quick and easy - and you will receive email confirmation of your application.

You must apply even if you already have siblings in school.

If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

The closing date for primary reception applications for September 2025 is **23:59 on 15 January 2025**.



**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
PRIMARY
SOUTH**

**Do you have a child starting
primary school in September 2025
and living in Lancashire?**

Closing date: 15 January 2025

You **must** apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery. Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website, or get a copy from them.

Apply for a school place now by scanning
the QR code or visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, please check the guidance on our website, or call **01772 532109**.

**HAVE
YOUR SAY**

Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces and click 'school admission policies'.

lancashire.gov.uk >>>>

Lancashire
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Online Safety

Be safe while playing online.

If your child is playing with other players, then please ensure they know how to report/block other players and to tell a trusted adult if they do come across anything upsetting or that they are unsure of.

To see our Online Safety Newsletters, [click here](#)

Little Orchards



Booking changes

All bookings for after school, breakfast clubs, school dinners etc will now be taken on School Spider. Please see the attached information or see your email. If you have any questions please contact reception.



School Dinners

Snack - Toast 20p available daily

Dinners

- **Nursery** - £1.70 per day
- **Juniors** - £2.60 per day

Payments are now to be made via School Spider and we would appreciate it if accounts could be cleared by the end of the week. If you have any issues with payments please contact the office directly.



If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 they are entitled to free school meals. If your child is older you can see if you are eligible on the government website ([click here](#))

Breakfast Club and After School Club

After School Club

3.15-5.15

£6

Breakfast Club

Free School Meals (benefits related) £1.50

All other children;

£1.50 (without breakfast)

£3.00 (with breakfast)

After School Club Help

Do you have skills that can be used in afterschool clubs? We are looking for any parents/guardians that can help us run afterschool clubs to give children skills and experiences that they'll love. We are particularly on the lookout for anybody that can help with a football club.

If you think you can help, please contact the school office and let us know!

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**"Together We
Make A Family"**



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