



Welcome to our **September** Newsletter, especially to those who are new members of our school family (and our Federation). We hope you had a lovely summer break and that everyone has had time to relax and recharge their batteries. We are very much looking forward to another super academic year and have lots planned across our Federation.

We would like to say a big warm welcome to our new starters in Robins Class, who are all looking very smart in their school uniform and bursting with enthusiasm!

We have also welcomed new members to our team at Long Preston, with Mrs Cawood and Miss Hodkinson joining as teachers in Owls Class and Mr Atkinson as our site supervisor. We are sure you will join us in giving them a very warm welcome when you see them.

We will all very much cherish the moments we have with our current Year 6 pupils and prepare them as much as we can for their transition to Year 7 in 2026!



Dates for Diaries 2025/26

(Please note: diary dates may change and dates will also be added throughout the academic year)

Tuesday 16th September	Meet the Teacher sessions (3.30pm & 4.15pm)
Friday 19th September	Tag Rugby Tournament, Y3/4 & Y4/6 at North Ribblesdale Rugby Club
Monday 22nd September	Settle College visiting to speak to Y6 pupils
Friday 26th September	McMillan Coffee Morning (more information to follow)
Friday 26th September	Flu vaccinations in school
Monday 29th September	Y5 trip to Ingleborough
Monday 6th October	Y6 trip to Whernside
Wednesday 8th October	Y5/6 Netball Tournament at Settle College (more information to follow)
Monday 13th October	Y2 trip to Yordas Caves (more information to follow)
Wednesday 15th October	Y3/4 and Y5/6 Football Tournament at Ingleton Primary School (more information to follow)
Friday 24th October	School closes at 3.30pm for half-term
Monday 3rd November	Start of Autumn 2 half term



Meet the Teacher: On Tuesday, 16th September 2025, we have a 'Meet the Teacher' event. This is an informal session for you to visit your child's classroom, meet their teacher/s and ask any questions.

Please note: this is not a formal parent meeting.

We have scheduled two short sessions with the following start and finish times:

- Session 1: 3.30pm – 4pm
- Session 2: 4.15pm – 4.45pm

Each teacher will be available in their classroom until 5pm. We look forward to meeting you all and welcoming you into school.

Staffing: The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools Long Preston Team

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Executive Headteacher: Mrs Maddocks

Assistant Head Teacher: Miss Houghton

Federation Business Manager: Mrs Middleton

Robins Class Teachers: Miss Westwell & Mrs T. Jones
(Thurs pm) (Supported by Mrs Dakin)

Starlings Class Teachers Mr Scott & Mrs Mercer (Thurs am) (Supported by Mrs Coultherd and Mrs Hopkins)

Owls Class Teachers: Mrs Cawood & Miss Hodkinson (Supported by Mrs Hopkins)

SENDCO: Mrs McGregor

School Administrator: Mrs Middleton / Mrs Wearden

School I.C.T Technician: Mr Freytag

School Cook: Mrs. Vickery

Kitchen Assistant: Mrs Chadwick

School Cleaner: Mrs. Franco

Site Supervisor : Mr Atkinson



July 2025 - Whole School Attendance

Long Preston EVA Primary School: 97.87%

House Keeping and General Information

The School Day: Start of day: 8.45am
Lunch: 12pm-1pm (including playtime)
Home time: 3.30pm

Please remember to bring in PE kits on Mondays, to be collected on Fridays each week, or left in school for the half term.



SchoolMoney (we are a cashless school): For our current parents, we hope that any outstanding payments from the last school year were cleared during the summer holidays. If you have anything still outstanding, we kindly ask if this can be paid in full as soon as possible. Guidance on SchoolMoney is available on our website and you can also contact school if you need any assistance.



Breakfast Club: As you should be aware, we joined the Government's Breakfast Club Early Adopter Scheme earlier this year and we are seeing around 15 children per day using the club and enjoying a healthy start to the day with friends. If you haven't used the club so far but would like to try it, please contact the School Office and they can send you the Terms and Condition and a link to the Breakfast Club registration form. Children cannot attend the Breakfast Club until the registration form has been completed. The Breakfast Club is open to Children from Reception to Y6 and places can be booked on SchoolMoney up to midnight the day before they are due to attend.

Children can join the Breakfast Club from 8am, for a payment of £2, or from 8.15am for free.



Milk: All pupils under the age of 5 are entitled to free school milk, however we also offer milk to over 5s in Robins Class at a cost of 20p per day, to be paid half termly through SchoolMoney. Please email the school office at office@longpreston.n-yorks.sch.uk to let us know if your child does **not want** to have milk during the morning session. Robins parents should have received an email about the milk payment, which has been added to SchoolMoney accounts where applicable.



Annual Consents: Continuing the change we introduced last year, instead of sending you an Admin Pack to complete each year, we have sent you a link to our Annual Consent Form. Please complete the form for your child/ren as soon as possible, so that we can update our records with any

Drop Off and Collection: Thank you for your continued support with our arrangements for drop off and pick up of the children...it's been much appreciated. Our school is situated on a single track public highway and we would politely ask that if you do need to drive to school, you take great care of pedestrians when doing so.

Please can we also remind parents and carers that it is their responsibility to ensure that their children are kept safe on their journey to and from school.



Clothing and Book Bags: Please label clothing to avoid items of the school uniform being mixed up. We recommend Velcro shoes for our little ones to make it as easy as possible for them to take off and put their shoes back on themselves. Please do not let your child/ren bring toys or objects into school or in their book bags, especially Robins Class. The only things the children need on a daily basis are: coat, water bottle with water in (no juice please) and any extra clothing kits eg PE / swimming. This also includes packed lunches if they do not wish to have a lunch provided by school. Our school dinners are prepared fresh each day on site and ingredients are locally sourced.

Swimming: Swimming lessons are by class, per term. This means that Owls Class are having swimming lessons each Wednesday afternoon for the Autumn term, followed by Starling Class for the Spring term and finally Robins Class during the Summer term. Pupils are to bring swimming kits with them each Wednesday, including a towel (swimming goggles are options and are the responsibility of the pupil). Please remove earrings/watches/jewellery on swimming days. Transport to Settle Pool is provided by Bibbys of Ingleton and we will be leaving school after lunch on Wednesdays. Swimming tuition and transportation is provided by Sports Premium Funding.



Celebration Assemblies: Our Celebration Assemblies take place each Friday at 9am (unless parents/carers are notified otherwise). You are invited to join us to celebrate the children's' achievements each week.

Please arrive and leave by the entrance near the School Office and sign in on the sheet that will be on a clipboard in the hall and wear a visitors badge.

The Ribblesdale Federation Governing Board

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Catherine Maddocks

Chair of the Governing Board: Mr Andrew Bradley

Foundation Governor: Mrs Emmy Hodgson

Foundation Governor: Mrs Christine Padley

Parent Governor: Mrs Laura Boyd

Parent Governor: Mrs Ruth Taylor

Staff Governor: Mrs Paula Clay

Co-opted Governor: Rev Stephen Dawson

LA Governor: Mrs Helen Monks

EYFS Link Governor: Mrs Christine Padley

Health and Safety Link Governor: Mr Andrew Bradley

Pupil and Staff Wellbeing: Mrs Laura Boyd

The next meeting of the Governing Board is on: Monday 22nd September 2025.

Safeguarding information: Long Preston EVA Primary School

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Catherine Maddocks, Executive Headteacher

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mr Andy Scott, Miss Rachel Houghton, Mrs Claire Cawood and Mrs Alison McGregor.

The Ribblesdale Federation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all of the children who attend our three schools.

Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator: Mrs Alison McGregor

If you have any worries or concerns regarding your child having SEN or mental health issues and well being problems, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs McGregor, via the school office. All correspondence will be treated confidentially.

You can follow the school on social media via our Facebook page, where we regularly post information about what is happening in school. There is lots of information available on the [Federation's website](#), which also has details specific for Long Preston Endowed VA Primary School.

Please help our followers to grow! Thank you for your continuing support from all the team at Long Preston EVA Primary School, part of The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools.

Perinatal Online Course

My Baby and Me

'My Baby and Me' is a 6-session online course designed to support people with low mood, anxiety and/or wellbeing concerns during the perinatal period.

To access the course either yourself or your partner need to be pregnant and/or have a child under the age of 2.



The course runs on Tuesday afternoons at 1pm for around 90mins. It will be online, and you are welcome to have your baby with you.

What will the course cover?

Week 1 – Normalising and Expectations.

Week 2 – Perinatal Low Mood.

Week 3 – Perinatal Anxiety.

Week 4 – Sleep and Relaxation.

Week 5 – Bonding with Baby.

Week 6 – Self-care and Compassion.



To register please complete our referral form:
www.bdctalkingtherapies.nhs.uk



Or call us: 01274 221234



for anxiety and depression

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Parent / Carer Workshop

Accessing Health Services

Specialist advice for parents of children with a Learning Disability
Delivered by the Children's Learning Disability Team Craven



Join our specialist nursing team to gain essential advice and information for people with Learning Disabilities, including:

- Annual Health Checks and the importance of accessing them
- What to expect during the transition to Adult Health Services
- Hospital Passports and how to develop yours
- How to support children with any medical procedures they may find anxiety provoking (including injections)

12:30 to 14:30 19 September 2025

**at Fisher Medical Centre,
Community Hub Room, Millfields,
Coach Street, Skipton, BD23 1EU**

If you cannot attend in person, a virtual option will be available.



Book your place today! email: ChildrensLearningDisabilities@bdct.nhs.uk



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