



21st November 2025



Ighthenhill News

'To be the best that we can be'

A sense of pride...

This week we have welcomed a number of visitors to Ighthenhill.

This has included prospective parents, contractors and visitors from other schools.

Each and every one of our visitors have commented on the excellent behaviour and attitude of our children. We have also had lots of positive feedback from staff when we have taken our children out of school on trips.

We talk a lot about **relationships** at Ighthenhill and we take pride in our School Values and this positivity has been showcased this week by our pupils in every classroom.

Well done everybody !

Mr S Crosier

Headteacher



Building strong relationships with our students is **key** to letting them know that they're **valued members** of the learning community in the classroom and school.

~Annie Brock and Heather Hundley



Having fun by the Leeds Liverpool canal

Over the last two weeks, our year 4 children enjoyed a trip to Finsley Gate Wharf and worked with volunteers from the Canal and Rivers Trust.



Star of the Week Winners

Teachers have been choosing pupils who have been working hard in school and displaying our school values. This is always a difficult task because we have so many fantastic learners here at Ightenhill !

Well done to all of our shining stars.

Class	Star of the week	
EYFS	Imani, Razi, Esme, Noah	
3	Daisy May	Teddy
4	Isla	Rayaan
5	Nafisa	Eva
6	Lilly	Kyle
7	Evelyn	Konnor
8	Joel	Amber
9	April	Lillie
10	Amelia	Eamonn
11	Bertie	Rosie
12	Harry	Ollie
14	Poppy	Anastasia
15	Alexa, Harry, Eckart	

British Values

- ♦ Democracy ♦ The rule of law
- ♦ Individual liberty
- ♦ Mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith



Ightenhill Primary
"To be the best that we can be!"



Happy birthday to you !

Violet K, Alfie B,
Aimee, Kai, Arora,
Seb G

Nut-Free School

Ightenhill Primary School is a nut-free school. We have a number of pupils and staff who have severe nut allergies.

Please ensure children do not bring any food containing nuts or nut products into school in their packed lunches or as snacks.

THIS SCHOOL IS A



**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**



Safeguarding children and families at Ightenhill

**Keeping children safe in school is one of our key priorities.
Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are :**

Mr S Crosier - Headteacher

Mrs E Brown - Inclusion manager and lead DSL

Mrs K Dunderdale - Deputy Headteacher

**Miss J Thompson – Family Engagement and Attendance
manager**

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact school



**OPERATION
ENCOMPASS**
In every force. In every school. For every child.

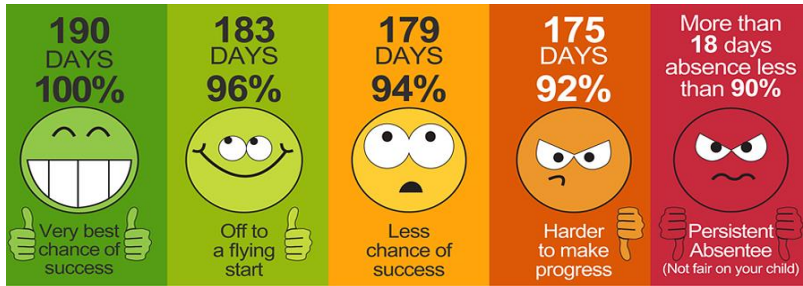
Operation Encompass

Operation Encompass has been adopted within Lancashire to provide early reporting to schools, such as ours, about all domestic abuse incidents that occur outside school hours which a young person attending Ightenhill Primary has been exposed to, and which might then have an impact on their schooling the following day. This information is shared throughout the year, including school holidays and the weekends.

NOVEMBER 2025	
Monday 3 rd November	School re-opens after half-term
6 th , 7 th and 13 th November	Tots on Tyres – EYFS children
Monday 10 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 10 th November	Year3 trip to Outdoor Elements
Tuesday 11 th November	Remembrance Day
Thursday 13 th November	OPEN DAY for 2026 school starters
Thursday 13 th November	Class 10 trip to Finsley Gate Wharf
Friday 14 th November	Children In Need
Thursday 20 th November	Class 9 trip to Finsley Gate Wharf
Thursday 20 th November	Year trip to BFC
Monday 24 th November	Year 1 trip to Gawthorpe Hall – A Victorian Christmas
Tuesday 25 th November	Year 2 trip to Gawthorpe Hall – A Victorian Christmas

Safeguarding matters





TERM DATES

We close for the Christmas holiday on Friday 19th December at 1.15 pm and reopen on Monday 5th January at 8.50am.

100% attendance winners are Isobel, McKinley, Osio, Diamond, Lexi, Stanley, Arin

We are here to learn !

Being in school every day, on time is the best way to ensure we succeed in school.

This week 7 classes achieved 96%. This is great, but we need more!

Class	Attendance This week
1	94.2
2	96.6
3	98.7
4	94.6
5	99
6	90.8
7	95.2
8	98.3
9	92.1
10	94.2
11	92.6
12	96
14	99.5
15	96



Daley and Connie are our attendance buddies.

They spend the week in the class with the highest attendance.

STAFF NEWS

Last week we employed three new staff who will join our pastoral team after the Christmas holiday.



A SCHOOL WITH VALUES AT THE HEART OF ALL WE DO

AMBITION *CO-OPERATION* *HONESTY* *KINDNESS* *RESILIENCE*
 RESPECT *RESPONSIBILITY*

NO DOGS ALLOWED ON THE PLAYGROUND

Please can we remind you that parents and carers are not permitted to bring dogs onto the school playground.



Mobile Phones

We do not allow children to have a mobile phone in school, this is an important rule that protects all of our pupils.

We do make an exception – only for our older children (Year 5 and Year 6) who walk to/from school on their own. If your child needs their phone in school for this reason, you must sign a permission slip (available from your child's teacher).

Any mobile phones brought into school will be turned off and given to the teacher. We do not allow children to use their mobile phone whilst on the school premises.

If a pupil is found to be using a phone on the school premises, this is a serious matter and will be dealt with in accordance with the school's Behaviour Policy



SAFEGUARDING AT IGHTENHILL

As the roads around school are so busy at the start and the end of the day, we ask that children do not travel to school on their bikes.

This is to keep our children safe.



Breakfast and after-school club provision

We currently offer a before and after school club provision which is delivered by school staff.

The hours of operation are :

Breakfast club : 7.45am-8.50am After-school club : 3.30pm-5.15pm (4.30pm on Friday)

Places are limited and need to be booked in advance using ParentPay.

It is important that children are collected promptly at the end of the after-school session, late collection may result in a late penalty fee of £10 added to your account and could prevent you from using the facility in the future.

If you have any questions about our before and after-school clubs, please contact the school office.

Do you have a child who is starting school in September 2026 ?

We have open days at Ightenhill this term – come along and have a look at our amazing Early Years department.

A promotional poster for Ightenhill Primary School. The top section has a blue background with the school's name in white. Below this is a green horizontal bar. The main image shows a group of young children in school uniforms sitting on a wooden play structure outdoors. In the top right corner of the image area is the Ofsted 'Good School' logo. The bottom section of the poster has a dark blue background with white text for 'OPEN DAYS' and a green diagonal section on the right with white text for contact information.

IGHTENHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL
Is your child starting school in September 2026?

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OPEN DAYS

Call or email the school to book a tour – or just turn up!

Tours take place at 1:30pm, 2:30pm and 4pm on:

Tuesday 7th October 2025

Thursday 13th November 2025

Wednesday 3rd December 2025

call:
01282 428246
email:
office@ighthenhill.lancs.sch.uk

Need another date?
Not a problem, please call us.

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2025-2026

Autumn Term

TEACHER TRAINING DAY: Monday 1st September 2025 (School closed)

TEACHER TRAINING DAY: Tuesday 2nd September 2025 (School closed)

TERM STARTS: Wednesday 3rd September 2025 at 8.50am

HALF TERM HOLIDAYS: Monday 27th October 2025 to Friday 31st October 2025 (Inclusive)

TERM ENDS: Friday 19th December 2025 at 1.15 pm

Spring Term

TERM STARTS: Monday 5th January 2026 at 8.50am

HALF TERM HOLIDAYS: Monday 16th February 2026 to Friday 20th February 2026 (Inclusive)

TERM ENDS: Friday 27th March 2026 at 1.15 pm

Summer Term

TERM STARTS: Monday 13th April 2026 at 8.50am

BANK HOLIDAY MAY DAY: Monday 4th May 2026 (School closed)

HALF TERM HOLIDAYS: Monday 25th May 2026 to Friday 29th May 2026 (Inclusive)

TEACHER TRAINING DAY: Monday 1st June 2026 (School closed)

TEACHER TRAINING DAY: Tuesday 2nd June 2026 (School closed)

TERM ENDS: Friday 17th July 2026 at 1.15 pm

TEACHER TRAINING DAY: Monday 20th July 2026 (School closed)

Term dates and holiday dates for 2026 2027 are now available on the
school website