



19th September 2025



Ighthenhill News

'To be the best that we can be'

The importance of reading.

Reading is at the heart of our school curriculum. We recognise that reading is a key skill that will enable our children to be effective learners.

As well as teaching children how to read, we aim to encourage our children to read for pleasure and to develop their own preferences and passions related to different genres and favourite authors.

Parents will often ask teachers 'How can we help our children learn at home?' Research has shown that the most effective way parents can help is by reading with their child. This can be listening to your child read, sharing a story together, talking about what they have read, asking questions such as 'What happened? What might happen next?'.

Check out this article on the importance of reading.

<https://youngreadersfoundation.org/importance-of-reading/>

Mr S Crosier

Headteacher



Parking around school

Unfortunately, we are having issues with parking – this is a major concern in terms of pupil safety.

The zig-zag lines should not be parked on or stopped on during the day.



Our EYFS pupils have been enjoying time in our outdoor learning area



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



Ighthenhill Primary
"To be the best that we can be."

Happy birthday to you !

Emily, Joel, Reuben,
Maria, Bailey, Ameila

Be an attendance
HERO!



Here
Everyday
Ready
On time



Ighthenhill Primary
School

Stars of the Week

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 Ighthenhill !

Well done to all of our shining stars.

Class	Star of the week	
EYFS	Bjorn, Harper, Finn, Alfie	
3	Arlo	Holly Mae
4	Orla	Oakley Rose
5	Edie	Rosie
6	Osio	Layton
7	Elara	Isabella
8	Emily	Abiha
9	Olivia	Satyar
10	Skyla	Paul
11	Rosie	Isaac
12	Toby	Stanley
14	Poppy	Deacon
15	Maxx	Harper

Nut-Free School

Ighthenhill 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



**NUT
FREE
ZONE!**

**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



SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

If your child is in Year 6 you can apply now for
secondary school places for September 2026.

The closing date for applications is 31st
October 2025.

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

OPEN DAYS

Burnley High School - Saturday 18th October 9.30-
1.30

Shuttleworth College - Thursday 25th September
5.30pm

Unity College - Thursday 2nd October 5.30-7.30pm

Blessed Trinity - Thursday 9th October 6-8pm

Sir John Thursby - Thursday 16th October time to be
confirmed



Operation Encompass

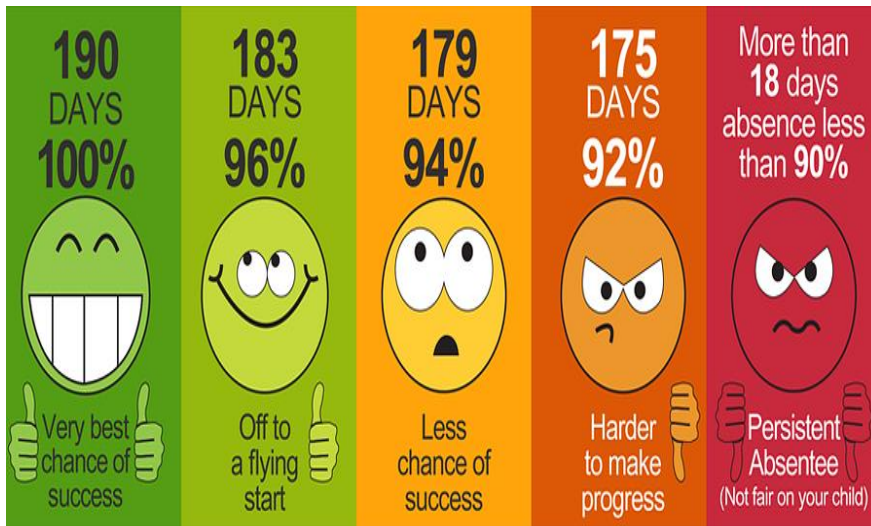
Operation Encompass has been adopted within Lancashire to provide early reporting to schools, such as ours, about all domestic abuse incidents that occur outside school hours which a young person attending Ightenhill Primary has been exposed to, and which might then have an impact on their schooling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

Holidays during term-time

We would like to remind you that we are not allowed to authorise holiday requests during term-time.

Holidays taken during term-time may result in the Local Authority issuing Fixed Penalty Notices.





TERM DATES

We close for the October half-term holiday on Friday 24th October at 3.30pm and reopen on Monday 3rd November at 8.50am.



We are here to learn !

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

Our attendance target is an ambitious 96%.

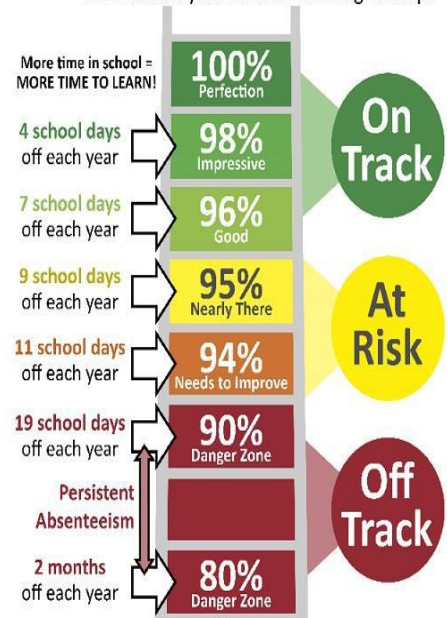
This week 5 classes achieved 96%.

Class	Attendance
	This week
1	94.4
2	86.3
3	96.3
4	90.8
5	96
6	95.6
7	92.4
8	96.5
9	93.1
10	97.6
11	94
12	86.4
14	97.7
15	95.2

Daley and Connie are our attendance buddies.

Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to reaching the top?



A SCHOOL WITH VALUES AT THE HEART OF ALL WE DO

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

Attendance and punctuality:

Where does your child sit on the attendance ladder?



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.



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

Ofsted
Good School

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@ightenhill.lancs.sch.uk
Need another date?
Not a problem, please call us.

School organisation 2025-2026

Teaching staff

EYFS – Miss C Sutcliffe (EYFS and KS1 leader) + Mr W Burrows

Year 1– Mrs S Graham

Year 1 – Mrs J Taylor

Year 2 – Miss S Woodford

Year 2 - Mrs A Howard

Year 3 – Mrs K Farnsworth

Year 3 – Miss E Grey

Year 4 – Mrs C Reynolds

Year 4 – Mr M Farrar

Year 5 – Mrs E Jones

Year 5 – Mrs E Jackson

Year 6 – Mrs S Pearson

Year 6 – Mrs L Baron (KS2 leader)

Year 6 - Miss H Davies

Modern Foreign Languages (French) – Mrs S Woodcock

SENDCO – Mrs A Wilkinson

Deputy Headteacher – Mrs K Dunderdale

Headteacher – Mr S Crosier