



17th April 2026



Ightenhill News

'To be the best that we can be'

Heading into Summer

As we move into the summer term, this is a busy and exciting time in our school calendar. With assessments approaching and end-of-year activities on the horizon, it is a great opportunity to celebrate how far the children have come since September.

We are incredibly proud of the progress, resilience, and enthusiasm shown by all pupils. From developing key skills in the classroom to participating in sports and enrichment activities, every child continues to grow in confidence and independence.

This term also brings opportunities for reflection and transition. Older pupils begin preparing for their next steps, while younger children build strong foundations for the year ahead. These moments can feel both exciting and challenging, and your support at home makes a real difference.

Good attendance is essential for children to make the most of these opportunities. Being in school every day helps pupils stay on track with their learning, build strong relationships, and feel confident in their routines. We appreciate your support in ensuring children arrive on time and attend regularly.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr S Crosier

Headteacher



Buildings work

During the Easter holiday, work continued to improve our facilities for our students – two astrotuft football pitches were installed and we have started to decorate the external parts of the school building.

Work will continue in the Summer term and Summer holidays as we develop the school environment for our community.

Reception 2026 offer day

Parents with children who will be starting in Reception in September 2026 will have received their school offer this week.



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



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Happy birthday to you !

Evelyn, Ella, Miley-
Louise, Harry, Cayla,
Freya, Evie, Ryan, April

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 Ightenhill !

Well done to all of our shining stars.

Class	Stars of the week	
EFYS	Bjorn, Leo, Ronnie, Rex	
3	Joseph	Ralph
4	Rayaan	Leon
5	Rory	Eva
6	Eliyus	Nojus
7	Marley	Mia
8	Joel	Eva
9	Satyar	Artur
10	Freya	Lincoln
11	Hussan	Kian
12	Kevin	Ollie
14	Charlie	Sienna
15	Brian	Zoe

The importance of reading

Reading is a vital skill for children in primary school, forming the foundation for learning across all subjects. Regular reading helps build vocabulary, improve concentration, and develop confidence.

It also encourages imagination and empathy, allowing children to explore new ideas, cultures, and perspectives through stories and non-fiction texts.

Parents play an important role by making reading enjoyable at home. Sharing books, talking about stories, and creating a regular reading routine can inspire a lifelong love of reading.

By supporting reading, you help your child succeed both in school and beyond.



School dinner price increases

After the Easter holidays, Lancashire County Council increased the price of school dinners.

From Monday 13th April, the price increased to £3 per day (£15 per week).

Parent governor election

We have received two nominations for our parent governor vacancies. As there were two vacancies, we do not need to hold an election.

We will share further information next week.

**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



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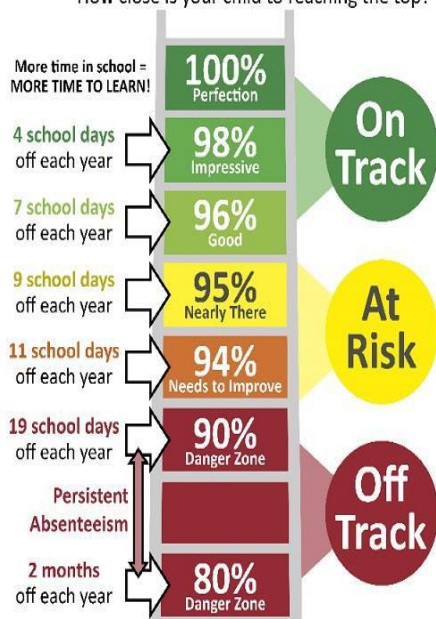
In every force. In every school. For every child.

Operation Encompass

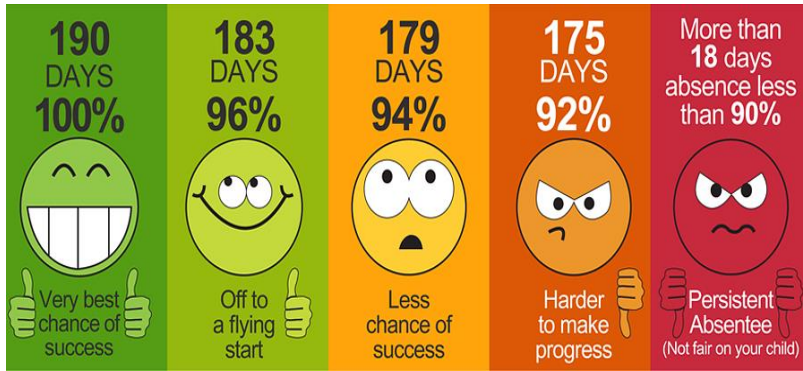
Operation Encompass has been adopted within Lancashire to provide early reporting to schools, such as ours, about all domestic abuse incidents that occur outside school hours which a young person attending Ightenhill Primary has been exposed to, and which might then have an impact on their schooling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

Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to reaching the top?



**We are enjoying our two new
football pitches**



TERM DATES

School is closed on Monday 4th May for the May Day bank holiday.

We close for half term on Friday 22nd May at 3.30 pm and reopen on Wednesday 3rd June 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 3 classes achieved 96%.

Class	Attendance
	This week
1	95
2	92.8
3	95.8
4	93.6
5	93.6
6	96.1
7	93
8	94.2
9	95.8
10	97.1
11	95.3
12	94.6
14	98.6
15	95



Daley and Connie are our attendance buddies.

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



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



Nut-Free School

At Ightenhill Primary School, the safety and well-being of our children and staff is very important. We have several pupils and staff with severe nut allergies, so we are a nut-free school.

We kindly ask that all children's packed lunches and snacks are free from nuts or nut-based ingredients. This small step helps keep our school community safe and ensures everyone can enjoy their day worry-free.

Thank you for helping us look after each other!



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.