



NEWSLETTER

6th November 2020

Executive Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

With our nation going into lock down yesterday we have been patiently waiting to see how this affects schools. In the main, changes are minimal with the expectation that we continue with the robust measures we already have in place. The wider changes have meant that we now have an increased number of staff having to work from home. The impact of this is - at times there will be less staff on site and different faces in particular classes. We are working hard to ensure this has minimal impact on the children yet still adhering to all government guidelines. Your understanding and patience with this is very much welcomed and appreciated.

Furthermore, it is important, more than ever, that places for breakfast and after school care are booked 24 hours in advance. This is to allow time to plan staffing. Breakfast club will now take place in each pupil's normal classroom. In the morning please drop children off at their normal classroom door for this service.

This week we have welcomed the children back to school with the reintroduction of our normal curriculum timetable.

Attendance has been extremely positive despite the current uncertainty. Please continue to ensure your children attend school as the mental health and well being of all children is extremely important during this time.

Take care and have a lovely weekend.

Mr Kenny – Executive Headteacher



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Executive Headteacher

Headteacher's 'Spectacular Pupil': Kendall O'Hare STAR OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to this week's stars, we are very proud of you.

NURSERY: Hallie Hughes
Luella Rostron

RECEPTION: Reuben Rowlands
Lana-Belle Toner

YEAR 1: Eddie Stickland

YEAR 2: Holly Magee-Higgins

YEAR 3: Bella Dilworth

YEAR 4: Freya Edwards

YEAR 5: Adam Chadburn

YEAR 6: Lewis Campbell

PPA: James Weston

AFTERSCHOOL CLUB:

Polly Kynaston-Kemp

TERRIFIC TIMEKEEPERS



Can we remind Parents/Carers that doors open at 8.20am.

Our terrific timekeepers for this week are our pupils from Reception, Y1, Y4 and Y5. Please ensure your child is on time for school, children are still coming in late and disrupting lessons. Teachers and children have a lot of catching up to do, due to the school closure from March-July last academic year, and therefore don't need any unnecessary distractions of pupils arriving late. Thank you.

JCA

The next instalment of £45 is due in by 27th November, this payment is to be made via ParentPay.

STAY SAFE

If your child travels on their own, encourage them to take the safest and best-lit routes and to avoid dark shortcuts. Encourage them to walk confidently, even if they don't feel it, especially in the dark. Help them work out strategies for dealing with difficult situations in the dark so that they know what to do in an emergency.

YEAR	ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:
REC	98.1%
Y1	99.1%
Y2	99.2%
Y3	96.2%
Y4	100%
Y5	99.1%
Y6	93.5%
TOTAL	97.9%
YEAR TO DATE	97.6%

WHAT DO I DO OUTSIDE SCHOOL?

Well done to Lewis from Reception Class. Lewis attends First Kick Football Academy at Holly Lodge. He was presented with a medal for good teamwork and being a great player. Keep an eye on this little superstar he could go from Holly Lodge to Goodison Park, watch this space!



NATIONAL NACHO DAY

They can be hot, they can be messy. They can range from plain to spicy, served alone as a snack or with a whole range of toppings for a hearty meal. We're talking about nachos, of course! Its National Nacho Day today, so why not pull out your favourite nachos dish or snack and raise a chip in honour of nachos.



FOCUS OF THE WEEK – A BIT OF EVERYTHING



Even though it was Bonfire night yesterday, a lot of fireworks will still be set off over the weekend. Due to COVID restrictions, all organised fireworks displays were cancelled, therefore if you are intending to buy your own fireworks, then please observe the firework code.

The Firework Code

- **Keep fireworks in a closed box**
- **Follow the instructions for lighting them very carefully**
- **Light them at arm's length**
- **Stand well back**
- **Never go back to a lit firework**
- **Never put fireworks in your pocket**
- **Never throw fireworks**

EYFS SUPPORT

Please click on the link below for more support for your children with their speech language and communication.

<https://ican.org.uk/i-cans-talking-point/>



WORDS OF THE WEEK

MATHS – Measure

ENGLISH – Commemoration

Have a practice of these words over the weekend. Who knows, you could earn some house points when you use these words in the correct context.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

30th June – 2nd July: Y6 JCA Trip

Due to Covid, pre-organised events have been rescheduled, further information to follow.



Over half term we had two brothers, Edward and Henry, who worked extremely hard raising money to buy food to support families in need. In total they raised a whopping £250 and as a result bought 203 boxes of cereal that they dropped off at the local food bank. What amazing thing to do.

Well done boys. We are all so proud of you!!



REMEMBERANCE SUNDAY

Remembrance Sunday 2020 will take place on Sunday 8th November with a two-minute silence being held from 11am. In commemoration this year, each class at Blacklow Brow will be creating work which will be displayed on the windows for you to view. We will also be participating in our own time of reflection on Monday. We will keep you updated via social media of our wonderful work.



LATE PICK UP FROM SCHOOL

If children are not collected at the normal pick up time of 2.30pm OR are late being collected from an afterschool activity, they will go into afterschool which is chargeable as follows:

2.30-3pm = £3 per day

2.30-3.30pm = £5 per day

2.30- anything after 3.30pm = £10 per day

(Late after 5.30pm - £1 for every minute late)