



NEWSLETTER

27th January 2023

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week is mock SAT assessments for all pupils in Year 6. A lot of hard work and planning from the staff has gone into ensuring all children achieve their maximum potential while still having lots of fun in the school. SATs are important; however, the welfare and continuous holistic progress of pupils is our main focus at Blacklow Brow.

On my travels around the classrooms this week it has been great to see such a wide variety of learning opportunities for the children. In Nursery and Reception the children have been learning all about Lunar New Year and the number 4. The pupils are having a great time identifying the number around school and using their classroom resources to apply the number. In Year 6, children have been reading *War Horse* focussing on comprehension questions to support with SATs preparation, while in maths they have been looking at ratio and proportion while enjoying using their concrete equipment to support their mastery in maths.

Next Wednesday sees the first day of industrial action for teachers who are members of the NEU union. As school will not be running at full capacity, please ensure you have read our correspondence on the MCAS app outlining how school will be effected and what classes will be in school on this day. Have a fantastic weekend.

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Executive Headteacher



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Stars of the week

Congratulations to this week's Stars. We are very proud of you!



Ella Stickland

Nursery: Oliver Malone
Finley Pates

Reception: Teddy Foster

YEAR 1: Charlie Brislen

YEAR 2: Louisa Woodhead

YEAR 3: Molly Reeve

YEAR 4: Elliot Goldstone

YEAR 5: Harry Fitzgerald

YEAR 6: Sophia Dilworth

PPA: Faith Dunne

Afterschool: Phoebe

Kynaston-Kemp

Terrific Timekeepers

We would like to remind Parents/Carers that doors open at 8.20am. Our terrific timekeepers for this week are our Y2 and Y5 pupils. Well done to those pupils who arrived on time.



Don't Forget!

Please ensure all pupils have their correct PE equipment with them, including socks and trainers.

Strike Day



Please be advised that next Wednesday 1st February, school will only be open for pupils in Nursery, Y4 and Y5. School will reopen again to all pupils on Thursday 2nd February.

Class Photos

If you need a haircut, now is the time to do it. Wednesday 8th February will be class photograph day.



Wraparound Care

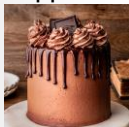
Please ensure you have booked on the app for Afterschool Cub, Breakfast Club and Nursery Wraparound in order for them to stay.



YEAR	ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:
NURSERY	94.0%
RECEPTION	96.2%
Y1	96.7%
Y2	99.2%
Y3	96.0%
Y4	93.8%
Y5	90.4%
Y6	97.1%
TOTAL	95.4%
YEAR TO DATE	95.8%

National chocolate Cake Day

Today is National Chocolate Cake Day. It is love at first bite. It may be layered, fluffy, mousse-y, fudge-y, decadent, frosted ...but we love it all the same. Cake is the reason we know what happiness tastes like. So dive into a chocolate cake and celebrate this scrumptious day.



What Do I Do outside School?

Have you noticed our new parking signs on Tarbock Road? The design was done by Sylvie Pownall from Y3 who worked really hard in afterschool and came up with this design. Well done Sylvie!



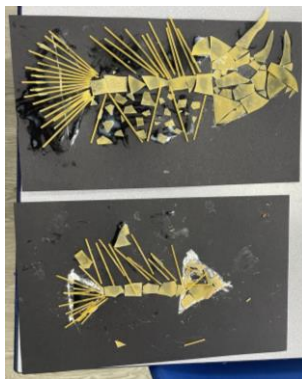
FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Today was "Cross Curricular Art day" and the children from Nursery to Year 6 designed artwork based on other subjects they are currently studying. This is what the children did:

- Nursery African sunsets
- Reception Astronomical Art
- Year 1 Number Art
- Year 2 Pop Art on canvas
- Year 3 Roman Mosaics
- Year 4 Egyptian clay sculptures
- Year 5 Fish fossil art using pasta
- Year 6 Map Making

A winner was picked from each class for the best Artwork and those children won a prize!

It was a pleasure to see such an array of artistic talent in our school!



Sports News

The children had an amazing time exploring the game of Boccia. They developed their teamwork skills and continued to improve their love for physical activity.



Dates for your diary

- 7th February : Last session of Boxing Therapy
- 8th February: Class Photograph Day
- 10th February : School closes
- 20th February : School opens
- 22-24th May : Y4 trip to Bispham Hall
- 14-16th June : Y6 JCA Trip

WORDS OF THE WEEK

MATHS – Measure
ENGLISH – Debate



All wraparound care is to be booked through the MCAS parent app. Our numbers are capped, so please remember to book, as we may not have availability on the day. If you have booked an afterschool sessions and no longer require it, please email the school office ASAP. Thank you

LATE PICK UP FROM SCHOOL

If children are not collected at the normal pick up time of 2.50pm OR are late being collected from an afterschool activity, they will go into afterschool which is chargeable as follows:

- ½ hour from school close time= £3 per day
- 1 hour from school close time= £5 per day
- anything after 1 hour up until 5.30pm = £10 per day
- (Late after 5.30pm - £1 for every minute late)