



# NEWSLETTER

10<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Welcome back to the first week of this seven-week half term. Our focus of the week this week, behaviour and relentless routines, is linked to the collaborative work we are doing as a Trust and alongside the national Behaviour Hub. I am extremely pleased that our routines and shared language are now embedded throughout the school. These are having a positive impact on the learning experiences of all children.

With it being the first week, staff delivered their 'book launch' to all the children. I was delighted to see so many happy, engaged children with a real passion for reading. Children in year 4 have dived into studying 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' linked to their history topic 'The Vikings'. Interestingly, year 3 have started looking at a book with no words 'Flotsam'. This has certainly brought up lots of questions and some excellent creative writing. The children even came across an illustration of an old camera with many children not knowing what it was. Today we held a remembrance service to commemorate the signing of the Armistice which brought an end to the First World War and remembers all those who gave their lives in service to their country since 1914. We were privileged, once again, to have the Cryle family, ex-service, attend to play The Last Post on the bugle. A huge thank you to them for their time and going support

Mr D Kenny - Executive Headteacher



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## Stars of the week

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



Lydia

Nursery: Olivia  
Reception: Mila  
YEAR 1: Max  
YEAR 2: Elsie  
YEAR 3: Louisa  
YEAR 4: Sylvie  
YEAR 5: Joseph I  
YEAR 6: Reece  
Afterschool: Teddy P



## Terrific Timekeepers

We would like to remind Parents/Carers that doors open at 8.20am. Our terrific timekeepers for this week were ..... Unfortunately we had late's in all of our classes this week. We can't stress enough the importance of your child being on time for school.



## Nursery Rhyme Day

All children in Nursery and Reception are invited to come to school dressed as a nursery rhyme character on Friday November 17th (no football kits or superhero's please). We would love to see you at our nursery rhyme assembly at 2.15pm.

## Odd Socks Day

Please come into school in odd Socks on Monday to support Anti-Bullying Day.



## Have You Applied!!!

Just a reminder that the Reception 2024 application are due in by the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Please click to apply.  
<https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/residents/education-and-schools/apply-for-a-school-place/annual-school-admission-procedures>

YEAR	ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:
NURSERY	100%
RECEPTION	94.4%
Y1	98.9%
Y2	100%
Y3	93.3%
Y4	97.7%
Y5	97.8%
Y6	91.7%
TOTAL	96.7%
YEAR TO DATE	<b>96.5%</b>

## Christmas Performances

Please make a note of our Christmas performances, so you can save the date!

### DATE TIME YEAR

12th December 9am EYFS  
12th December 1.30pm Y1+Y2  
13th December 9am Y1+Y2  
13th December 1.30pm EYFS  
14th December 9am Y3+Y4  
14th December 1.30pm Y5+Y6  
15th December 9am Y5+Y6  
15th December 1.30pm Y3+Y4



# FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Blacklow Brow was rocking and rolling on Thursday with their TTRockstars day. There were some amazing outfits on display from children and staff. We have several times table battles going on and we are all preparing for a big competition against Park View Academy next week! Times table fluency is absolutely fundamental for children to achieve well in maths as they move up the school. Our younger children also had a visit from a "Numbot robot" to help them learn how to play Numbots at home to improve their counting and core number skills. The school has purchased both apps so they are free to use at home on phones, tablets or computers. Please search for "TTRockstars" for Years 2-6 and "Numbots" for EYFS and Year 1. Your child should have their login details but please speak to a class teach if they have not.



## TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS



### Safeguarding

If you have any concerns or worries about a child please contact the Designated Safeguarding Lead Mr Kenny and Deputy Safeguarding Lead Mrs Gibson-Burkert. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and all people in the school community have a statutory duty to act on any concern. You can always ring Mash on 0151 443 2600.



### WORDS OF THE WEEK

**MATHS**  
Difference  
**ENGLISH**  
Celebrate



### SEND

We have our SEND Parent Surgery available on Thursday's from 1:45 onwards, to book a 15 minute slot, please email Mrs Humphreys on

[Send@BlacklowBrowSchool.co.uk](mailto:Send@BlacklowBrowSchool.co.uk)

Or contact the school office



### Dates for your diary

- 13<sup>th</sup> November: Anti-Bullying Day (wear odd socks)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> November: Y3 + Y4 Cinema Trip
- 19<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Dinner Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> December: Christmas Jumper Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> December: School Closes for Christmas

If children are not collected at the normal pick up time of 3pm 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 = £12.50 per day
- (Late after 5.30pm - £1 for every minute late)