



NEWSLETTER

24th November 2023

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another fabulous week at Blacklow Brow. When visiting classes this week I was stunned to see that in Year 2, pupils have been studying 'The Great Fire of London'. As part of their English work, the children have been looking at the diary of Samuel Pepys (the English diarist and naval administrator) who wrote an extensive diary about his experiences during 'The Great Fire of London'. Over the coming weeks, pupils will use their knowledge of his diary to write their own from the point of view of an eye-witness. I wonder if they will be burying their own cheese?

There were two external trips this week: Year 5 to the World Museum 'Return of the Gods' exhibition and Year's 3 and 4 to the cinema. The children learnt a lot and had lots of fun, they were also a credit to Blacklow Brow and yourselves in terms of their engagement and behaviour.

Friday also saw the launch of our very first careers day for Years 5 and 6. The children visited Park View Academy where numerous careers were represented at stalls to share their experiences and skills with pupils. From Astro-physicists to a television actress from Emmerdale, the children asked pertinent questions and really enjoyed the day. Moving forward we will be making this a permanent fixture in our curriculum.

Finally, with the holiday season drawing ever nearer, children have started to rehearse their songs and lines for the performances we have coming up in December. Tickets will be available from the school office for the EYFS, KS1 and KS2 performances next week. Mr D Kenny - Executive Headteacher



Mr D Kenny
Executive Headteacher

Stars of the week

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



Hattie

Nursery: Roman

Reception: Harry

YEAR 1: Dottie

YEAR 2: Ximena

YEAR 3: Reuben

YEAR 4: Zack

YEAR 5: Holly MH

YEAR 6: Isabelle S

Afterschool: Daniel H



Terrific Timekeepers

We would like to remind Parents/Carers that doors open at 8.20am. Our terrific timekeepers for this week were our Nursery pupils. There are a few pupils just missing the gate, please leave 5 minutes earlier to ensure you are on time.



Its Only Bye For Now

Next week will be our last week for Enrichment Clubs. New club details will come out in January. We hope the children have enjoyed their clubs this term.



Don't Miss Out, Act Now!

If your child is in nursery, please ensure that you renew your 30 code **NOW**, don't leave it too late, as previously some parents have missed the deadline.



Oooo Its Cold Out There!

With the cold weather approaching, can parents please ensure that their child comes into school with a coat (hats / scarves and gloves are optional).

YEAR	ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:
NURSERY	97.0%
RECEPTION	96.3%
Y1	96.7%
Y2	93.3%
Y3	97.5%
Y4	100%
Y5	97.1%
Y6	95.4%
TOTAL	96.7%
YEAR TO DATE	96.6%

What Do I Do Outside School?

Well done to Isaac Y3. Isaac plays football for Northfield Athletic and recently received 'man of the match'. His team also made it to the semi finals in a recent tournament. There is no stopping this boy, he is on Fire! Well done Isaac!



Black Friday

Today is Black Friday. Retailers slash prices, offer doorbuster deals on popular items, there are bargains galore to be had, just in time for Christmas. Black Friday is derived from the enormous amount of sales retailers report which can often bring their profits into the black as opposed to being overdrawn in the red. What deals will you pick up today?



FOCUS OF THE WEEK

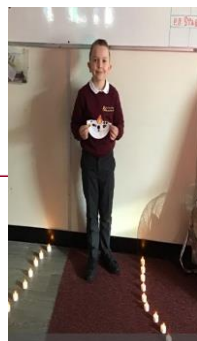
Last week in EYFS, the children participated in Nursery Rhyme Week, they ended the week by singing their favourite Nursery Rhymes to their families and friends. Their singing and dancing was amazing and we are all very proud of their performances. The children enjoyed getting dressed up as characters from their favourite songs and the staff would like to thank parents/carers for their support.



Last week we celebrated 'Inter-faith Week'. The children moved around the school learning about a variety of celebrations and festivals of colour and light. The children were immersed into different religions and celebrations through music, crafts and stories. We had so much fun and the children were able to discuss similarities and differences between each festival.



Inter Faith Week



Have You Applied!!!

Just a reminder that the Reception 2024 application are due in by the 15th January 2024. Please click to apply.

<https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/resident/s/education-and-schools/apply-for-a-school-place/annual-school-admission-procedures>

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
Equations
ENGLISH
Epiphany



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

Or contact the school office



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

Dates for your diary

- 12th December: Christmas Performances commence
- 19th December: Christmas Dinner Day
- 22nd December: Christmas Jumper Day
- 22nd 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)