



NEWSLETTER

2nd February 2024

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our staff focus this week at school has been to speak with the children regarding their well-being and mental health. It was a delight to listen to how articulate our students are about their thoughts and feelings and how our school environment supports them feeling safe and happy. The children were highly appreciative of all the staff's hard work to support them. Our year six children have had their first formal SATs mock assessments this week. Pupils were supported in a group and as individuals to access the standard national assessments that they will sit officially **from Monday, 13th May, until Thursday, 16th May**. All year six children must be in for these four days without exception.

Furthermore, can I please ask all parents to ensure attendance for this year group and all other year groups is exceptionally high between now and then? A SATs information session has been organised for Tuesday 6th at 8.00am and Thursday 8th at 3.00pm.

Once again, we have been working with external agencies to educate our children about the world we live in. Hazel from Merseyside police visited this week to talk to the children about "stranger, danger". It was pleasing to hear how knowledgeable our children already were in this area, but it never hurts to revisit a topic such as this.

Next week, we have children attending the 'Young Voices' choir event at the Manchester Arena. This event brings together children from across the UK to form the 'largest choir in the world'. The children have been practising extremely hard with Mrs Davies, and it is set to be a fabulous occasion for the children to sing.

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!

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- Nursery: Junior
- Reception: Aurora
- YEAR 1: Luke
- YEAR 2: Ellis
- YEAR 3: Claudia
- YEAR 4: Reuben
- YEAR 5: Ella
- YEAR 6: The whole class
- Afterschool: Lydia



Terrific Timekeepers

We would like to remind Parents/Carers that doors open at 8.20am. Our winners this week were our pupils from Y2, well done! Being on time is a good thing! Gets the day off to a good start with everyone in a positive frame of mind.



Swimming Reminder

Please can Y6 make sure they have their swimming kit in school for next Monday-Thursday. Thank you

Class Photographs

If they need their hair cutting, do it now, as its class photograph day next Wednesday.

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Y4 Reminder

Just a reminder that the Eureka Trip payment is due by next Friday, and also the second instalment for Dolly Hall if your child is attending.



YEAR	ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:
NURSERY	91.0%
RECEPTION	82.9%
Y1	98.7%
Y2	95.7%
Y3	94.0%
Y4	94.0%
Y5	91.7%
Y6	95.8%
TOTAL	93.0%
YEAR TO DATE	96.0%

What Do I Do Outside School?

Well done to James from Y5. James attends swimming lessons and recently competed in a swimming gala and swam his way to success taking home two bronze medals for coming second in both of his races, Well done ! Wow you are one to watch in those swimming lanes!



National Yorkshire Pudding Day

That's right, folks, National Yorkshire Pudding Day is on Sunday, gracing us with its eggy, fluffy, and utterly delicious presence. Who said Yorkshire Pudding can only be eaten as part of a roast dinner. Why not have dessert and add cocoa powder to the batter, bake, then add a scoop of ice cream to the top and then pour caramel sauce over it all.



FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Police Visit

We had a visit from Merseyside Police yesterday to talk about Stranger Danger. We learnt to NEVER go anywhere with someone you don't know. NEVER take anything from a stranger. NEVER talk to strangers and ALWAYS stay with your friends or a group of friends if possible.

They told us about the safe strangers we could go to if we needed help such as a police officers, shop assistants, fire fighters etc.



NSPCC Number Day

Today is NSPCC Number Day and we have used this opportunity to remind children about the importance of being safe and happy. This includes speaking to a trusted adult when they need to. Staff have linked maths activities to the Childline free phone number: 0800 1111. This is number is available 24/7 for children to speak to a trained counsellor should they need to.



Nursery Message

In preparation for Summer term, we need to understand how many children will be accessing the full 30 hrs provision. Accessing 30hrs is an ideal opportunity to prepare your children for Reception class in September. From past years, we find that children who access extended hours in our nursery provision find the transition from Nursery to Reception a much smoother process. Can we ask that all parents contact the office as soon as possible to discuss options and inform us of your intentions.



Kinball

Thank you to our friends at Park View Academy for hosting an amazing Kinball event for some of our children. They had a brilliant time building communication skills, teamwork skills and making new friendships!



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

ENGLISH

Debate

MATHS

Measure



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



Dates for your diary

5th February: Y6 swimming Mon-Thurs
7th February: Class Photographs
9th February: School closes 3pm for half term
19 February: School reopens
18th March: Y5 swimming Mon-Thurs
25th March: Y3 swimming Mon-Thurs
26-28th June: Y6 JCA Trip

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)