



NEWSLETTER

22nd March 2024

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, we have had our Year 2 trip to the Safari Park. This visit was not only an enjoyable day out but also provided a valuable opportunity for our students to explore and learn about science and writing in a real-life context. The children were able to observe and engage with various animals, sparking their curiosity and enhancing their understanding of the natural world.

In addition, our EYFS children were thrilled to have a visit from the Fire Brigade. This interactive session not only educated our little ones about fire safety but also allowed them to experience the presence of real-life heroes. It was a memorable experience that left a lasting impression on our young minds.

Our Year 5 students completed their swimming lessons. Swimming is an essential life skill, and we believe in providing our students with the opportunity to develop their confidence and abilities in the water.

Furthermore, our school participated in the Kinball Knowsley competition. This event showcased the sporting talents of our students and allowed them to showcase their teamwork, coordination, and sportsmanship. It was a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to engage in healthy competition and learn valuable life skills through sports.

On the professional development front, our staff recently received training from the Knowsley City Learning Centre. The session focused on various aspects of information technology, with a particular emphasis on 'coding'. Our teachers are dedicated to staying updated with the latest advancements in education, and this training has equipped them with valuable skills to integrate technology into their teaching practices effectively.

Lastly, the school term will conclude on Wednesday 27th March, with children finishing at the normal time of 3.00 pm. We will then resume classes on Monday 15th April.

Warm regards, 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!



Lilly

Nursery: Archie

Reception: Franco

YEAR 1: Daisy

YEAR 2: Elizabeth

YEAR 3: Sophia

YEAR 4: Seb

YEAR 5: Elliot

YEAR 6: Ruby

Afterschool: Charlotte G



Terrific Timekeepers

We would like to remind Parents/Carers that doors open at 8.20am. Our winners this week were our pupils from Unfortunately we had late's in all our classes this week. Pupils coming in late disrupt the flow of a lesson and distract pupils. Please



Summer Uniform

Please note that children can wear their Summer uniform after we return from the Easter Holidays. Girls can wear Baby pink and white check summer dresses (full check dress, no half skirt, half white top dresses) with white socks, or full uniform with a Skort. Boys can wear grey shorts (not combat style), with white polo shirt and grey socks.



Year 3

Just a reminder to not forget your swimming kit next week



Easter Holidays

School will close on Wednesday 27th March for the Easter holidays and will reopen on Monday 15th April.

YEAR	ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK:
NURSERY	91.0%
RECEPTION	92.9%
Y1	98.3%
Y2	96.6%
Y3	100% ★
Y4	93.1%
Y5	99.2%
Y6	93.7%
TOTAL	95.6%
YEAR TO DATE	95.8%

What Do I Do Outside School?

Well done to Solomon and Forest. This dynamic duo made up a food parcel and donated it to the Knowsley Food Bank. What a wonderful way to give back to the community and support those in need. This is so kind and thoughtful of you both. Well done boys!



FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Fire Brigade Visit

Early years were so excited by our visit from the Fire Brigade this week. We learned about the firefighters jobs and how they help to keep us safe, we even practiced the emergency number- 999. Everyone then had the chance to explore the fire engine and spray the water hose. What an amazing visit!!!



STAFF NEWS

It is with mixed emotions that we say goodbye to Mrs Purcell, she has been an integral part of our school community since 2019, as a HLTA and a beloved class teacher. Mrs Purcell will be leaving our school due to her and her family's relocation to the Lake District. Mrs Purcell started with us as a level 4 HLTA before being supported by Blacklow Brow to become an outstanding class teacher. While we are saddened to see her go, we understand and support her decision, and we are immensely grateful for the dedication and hard work she has shown during her time with us.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks to Mrs Purcell for her unwavering dedication, passion, and the countless contributions she has made to our school community. We wish her all the best in her future endeavours and know that she will continue to positively impact the lives of those she encounters.



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

(when we return)

ENGLISH

Text

MATHS

Fraction



Knowsley Safari Park

As part of their topic on 'Great Explorers', Year 2 visited Knowsley Safari Park this week. We used equipment and tools to build dens, saw some beautiful animals and explored the grounds of the Safari Park. The children were able to ask questions about sealions, birds and explorers. We had a truly fantastic day and the sun even came out for us.



Sports News

So proud of our Kinball team who came in 1st place this week! You showed amazing teamwork and communication! CHAMPIONS



Childcare Choices

Visit Childcare Choices to see what support you might be eligible for, now and in the future, so you can juggle work and life: Childcare Choices | 30 Hours Childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and More | Help with Costs | GOV.UK

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

25th March: Y3 swimming Mon-Thurs
25th March: Parents Evening
27th March: Parents Evening
27th March: School closes for East holidays
15th April: School re opens
20-22nd May: Y4 Dolly Hall Trip
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)