



Friday 2nd October 2026

Diary dates

Dates for the academic year can be found on our website



Friday 9th October
Jessica Townsewnd Author Event



Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th & Friday 15th October Year 1 Blackpool Circus Trip



Wednesday 14th October
Fit to Go Celebration



Friday 16th October
Non-Uniform Day



Tuesday 20th October 5-7pm
Halloween Event



Tuesday 20th October
Year 2 All Saints Harvest Assembly



Wednesday 21st October
Year 3 Stone Age Day



Thursday 22nd October
Year 5 WW2 Day



Thursday 22nd October
Year 4 All Saints Harvest Assembly



Thursday 22nd October
School Closes for Half Term



Friday 23rd October
Inset Day

Headteacher's Message

This week, we were delighted to welcome our Foundation Stage parents and carers to our "Bring Your Parent to Phonics" session. Thank you to everyone who attended and took the time to join us in the classroom. We hope that the session was both enjoyable and helpful as your child begins their exciting reading journey. Developing strong phonics skills is a key part of learning to read, and we hope the strategies shared will help you feel confident in supporting your child's learning at home. We greatly value the partnership between home and school and appreciate your continued support. Thank you to our Foundation Stage Team for organising this. Today, members of our school choir had the privilege of taking part in the Stanley Park Centenary Celebrations. Despite the challenging weather, our choir sang their hearts out and represented the school wonderfully. The children showed great enthusiasm, confidence and resilience throughout the event and were a real credit to our school. We are incredibly proud of them and would like to thank them for their commitment and excellent behaviour. Well done, choir! 🎵👏 Thank you to Mr Jones, Mrs Mellor, Miss Truelove, Miss Wood and Mr Hunter for making this possible.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Barr



Attendance Matters



All schools have a responsibility to monitor and improve attendance across their school community. We are committed to this responsibility and ensuring that children receive the education to which they are entitled. It is vital that children are in school every day if they are well enough.

Weekly Attendance

Attendance Matters!

Well done to Year 2, who have the highest attendance yet again this week!

Year Group	Weekly Attendance Week commencing 28/09/26
Foundation Stage	96.1%
Year 1	96.8%
Year 2	97.6%
Year 3	97.5%
Year 4	93.6%
Year 5	96.2%
Year 6	95.2%

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95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 9.5 days or 1 week & 4.5 days of learning missed
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 19 days or 3 weeks & 4 days of learning missed
85%	=	143 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 28.5 days or 5 weeks & 3.5 days of learning missed
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 38 days or 7 weeks & 3 days of learning missed
75%	=	237.5 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 47.5 days or 9 weeks & 2.5 days of learning missed

EVERY
DAY
MATTERS!

WHAT DO YOUR
ATTENDANCE
FIGURES ACTUALLY
MEAN?

PERCENTAGES BASED ON 190
ACADEMIC DAYS



Cardboard / Paper/Plastic
Paper/Plastic
Cardboard / Paper/Plastic
Wheels
Sail
Flag
Car body
Wheels
Sail
Flag
Car body

A photograph showing two students, a girl in a yellow shirt and a boy in a blue shirt, sitting at a desk and working on a project. They are looking at a laptop screen and writing on a piece of paper.

Notices



Junior Leadership Team News

Welcome back to Anchor News and this week we had an assembly from BSYW, which stands for Blackpool Schools and Youth Work. They give us fun and educational assemblies about the Christian faith and the holy Bible, which is the book Christians live by.

Also, in our assembly we got our first word millionaire of the year. Congratulations to Eleanor from Year 6. A number of selected pupils from our flourishing Choir have been selected go to Stanley Park for its 100th anniversary and perform the song "Oh I do like to be beside the seaside" with alternated lyrics, to show everyone how great Blackpool is. Lots of fun learning has occurred this week with some year groups completing their first independent write of the year.

Thanks for reading,
The Junior Leadership Team

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Anchorsholme Academy

Stay and Play Sessions

For Prospective Reception Children & Their Families
Come along to one of our Stay & Play sessions and spend some time
exploring our Foundation Stage.

Your child can play, explore and get a feel for their new surroundings, while
parents and carers have the opportunity to chat with our friendly staff and
ask any questions.



 Thursday 15th October

 Thursday 26th November

 3:30pm – 4:30pm

Don't worry if you can't arrive for 3:30pm. Drop in at any time during
the session. We'd love to welcome you!

'Together We Achieve'



School Choir



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60 YEARS
ANCHORSHOLME ACADEMY
ANNIVERSARY
2026/2027 DATES

As we celebrate Anchorsholme Academy's 60th Anniversary, we have an exciting year of activities planned to bring our whole school community together. Throughout the year, pupils, staff, families and friends of the academy will have the opportunity to take part in special events, creative projects and fundraising activities as we reflect on our proud history and look forward to an exciting future.

AUTUMN TERM 1	SPRING TERM 2
Year group draw photograph	60th Anniversary Colour Run
Harvest Festival Item Donation	
Creation of a Special 60th Anniversary Song	SUMMER TERM 1
Commemorative Tea Towel Design Project	Whole School Picnic Lunch
	60 Laps of the Track Challenge
AUTUMN TERM 2	SUMMER TERM 2
Christmas Card Design	60th Anniversary Summer Fair
SPRING TERM 1	
60 Acts of Kindness Challenge	

Friends of MOOR PARK BISPHAM
CHRISTMAS CRACKER FAIR

Saturday 5th December
10am - 2pm
Moor Park Sports Centre
sports hall FY2 OJG

Ready to try something?
Looking for adventure?

#PlaceToBelong
westlancsscouts.org.uk

Want to learn new skills and make new friends? Why not come along to our water session at Dal Chisley School Ground.

Who:
All young people aged 6 to 14 years and adults too!

When:
Monday 10th October 8.00pm to 7.00pm

Where:
Full activities for girls and boys. Find out more about Scouts!
Parents/Carers are required to stay.

Where:
St Andrew's Church Hall,
Russett Road,
Chorley, FY5 3DN

Contact:
Jan Tomlinson 01727 344335
or email
jan.tomlinson@westlancsscouts.org.uk

Scouts West Lancashire

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GET FIT KEEP FIT IN THE PARK

ANCHORSOLME PARK

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER

Event time 10.15am - 12.15pm

ClubFIT 10:30AM
(Minus the glow)

Pilates 11:30AM
(BRING YOUR OWN MAT)

FREE **AGED 17+**

LEGO

Build & Talk
about gaming

"Just 5 more minutes!
I'm in the middle of a game!"

Gaming is part of everyday life. It's fun – and sometimes it's challenging.

If you're looking for ways to unlock conversations with your child about gaming, this event is for you. Join us for a series of playful activities to discover fun and engaging ways to connect and talk with your child about gaming – playfully and with confidence.

Date:
Time:
Location:

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Autumn Stories
At Stanley Park

Celebrating 100 years and the National Year of Reading

SATURDAY 10th OCTOBER 2026

11am - 2pm
Stanley Park, Blackpool
Inside the Visitor Centre
Free event

THERE'S LOTS TO DISCOVER

- Free books for all ages
- Stanley Park's best dog competition
- Craft activities
- Explore the park trail

Meet the author
11:30am
Julia Eccles
Bring The Hippo

12:30pm
Storytelling Session

1:30pm
Storytelling Session

Find us here

All children must be accompanied by an adult.