



Friday 3rd October 2025

Diary dates

Dates for the academic year can be found on our website



WC 6th October
Harvest & Halloween Quiz Collection



Tuesday 7th October
Bring your Parents to Phonics (EYFS)
9.00 – 10.00



8th & 9th October
Individual & family photos



Wednesday 15th October 9.15am
Year 4 Harvest Assembly at church



Thursday 16th October 9.15am
Year 2 Harvest Assembly at church



Tuesday 21st October
Year 3 Stone age Day
Halloween Quiz



Wednesday 22nd October
Open Day for New Foundation Parents
15.30–16.30 16.30–17.30



Thursday 23rd October
Whole School Flu Vaccinations
Year 5 WW2 Day
School closes for Half Term



Monday 3rd November
School Re-opens for Autumn Term 2

Headteacher's Message

What a great start we had to the week! The girls' football team played their first match against St Theresa's and won 4-0. We were so proud of them. As a new team they played collaboratively and skilfully. Thank you to Mr. Howarth for his ongoing training and support of the team and to the girls for their hard work and dedication.

This week we had our first open evening for potential new pupils starting at our school next year. The attendance was great and the adults who looked round commented on how lovely our children were. Thank you to all those who supported on Wednesday evening, they were amazing. If you know anyone who has a child due to start reception in September 2026, please let them know about our next Open Evening on October 22nd – details below.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Please stay safe especially with the weather warning for Storm Amy.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Barr



This week in pictures

Foundation

Enjoying exploring our autumn provision in Foundation Stage.



Year 1

This week, in Science, Year 1 have been learning that our tongue allows us to taste, described a range of different flavours and understood why our sense of taste is important.

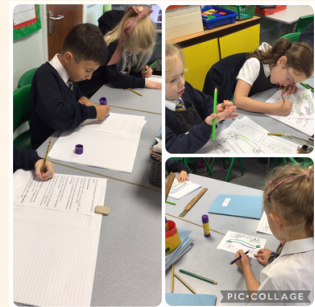
We have tried lemon, crisps, popcorn, ham, lime and sweets! Using our word bank of sweet, sour, salty, bitter, flavour, smoky and meaty to describe these foods.

We have had so much fun! 😊



Year 2

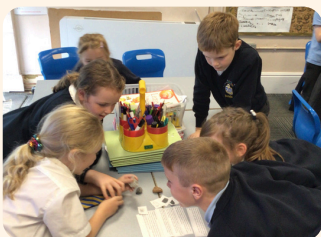
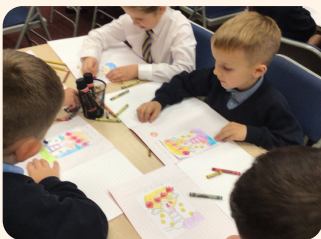
In Year 2 History this week, children have been learning about Emily Davison and how she fought for women in the U.K. to have the right to vote. She was a suffragette.



Year 3

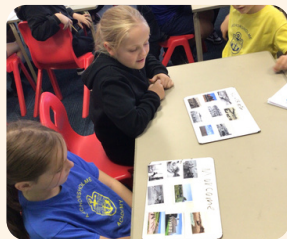
Learning about the Mid-Autumn Festival in Mandarin.

Exploring and sorting rocks in Science.



Year 4

Year 4 have used DigiMaps to find out about how land is used around Morecambe Bay and compare it to the past.



Year 5

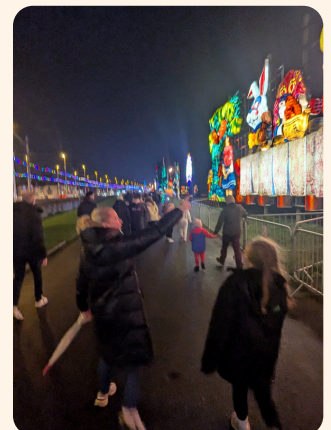
Investigating whether shape affects an object's ability to float.



Year 6

This week Year 6 completed the annual illuminations walk! Every year, teachers, pupils and parents walk the lights to gather ideas for their very own Blackpool illumination project in DT! We had a great turn out this year and were all inspired by a variety of different illuminations.

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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

Year Group	Weekly Attendance Week commencing 29/09/25	Average this year
Foundation Stage	96.4%	96.3%
Year 1	97.1%	98.1%
Year 2	96.3%	95.4%
Year 3	95.8%	96.3%
Year 4	94.8%	95.3%
Year 5	93.9%	94.7%
Year 6	94.3%	95.8%

Well done

Well done to Year 1, who have the highest year group attendance for the fourth week running!

Well done also to Class 2, who won our highest attendance award this week.

Attendance Incentives and Rewards

Our average school attendance across last year was 95.7%, which was above the national average. We were proud of this achievement and would like to improve this further this year.

Attendance per class is shared and celebrated in whole-school assembly each week and the class with the highest attendance are presented with our attendance award to display proudly on their classroom door. The class who has won the weekly attendance award the most times across a term win the Attendance Reward. Previous awards have included a trip to the cinema and an attendance party in school!

At the end of each term, children who have achieved 100% attendance receive a special 100% attendance badge. 100% attendance across one term earns the children a bronze badge. If they achieve 100% attendance across two terms, they receive a silver badge and anyone who achieves 100% attendance across the entire year, receives a special gold badge. Last year, Mrs Hylton presented 329 bronze badges, 121 silver badges and 41 gold badges and she is hoping to beat that number this year.

Thank you for your ongoing support to ensure your child achieves the best possible school attendance.

Notices



Free School Meals

We want to ensure that all eligible pupils receive their free school meals.

It's quick and easy to check if your child qualifies – simply click on the appropriate link below and complete a short application:

- Blackpool Council:
[Free School Meals – Blackpool Council](#)
- Lancashire County Council:
[Free School Meals – Lancashire County Council](#)

Please note: If your child is currently in Foundation, Year 1, or Year 2, they will be receiving universal free school meals. However, this entitlement ends when they reach Year 3. You can apply for benefit-based free school meals, which may continue to support your child with free meals through to Year 6.

Closing date for High School applications

1.

<https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Residents/Education-and-schools/School-admissions/Apply-for-a-secondary-school-place.aspx>

Apply for a High School Place – closing date of Friday 31 October 2025.

2.

<https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Residents/Education-and-schools/School-admissions/Apply-for-a-primary-school-place.aspx>

Apply for a Primary School Place – closing date of Thursday 15 January 2026.

Flu Vaccinations

The closing date for flu vaccinations is Thursday 23rd October. Please

Use the link below to access the online consent form:
www.bthimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu

Enter the unique school code with BP in capital letters

The code for your school is:
BP140124

Flu Vaccination (Nasal spray)

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Open Evenings
Wednesday 1st October 2025
3.30pm-5.30pm
Wednesday 22nd October 2025
3.30pm to 5.30pm

Fun activities

we learn

Or by appointment during the school day

Open Evening!

East Pines Drive
Thornton-Cleveley
FY5 3EX
E. 01253 855215

Please call the school office to book your place
01253 855215

After School Activities



Choir – Monday



Sports Club – Wednesday

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 Anchorsholme Academy 

PARENT FORUM

You are invited to our Parent Forum.
Come share your ideas and help contribute to our school's future.

2025 / 2026 Dates

Monday 29th September 2025 2.30pm
Wednesday 19th November 2025 9.00am
Wednesday 28th January 2026 2.30pm
Wednesday 18th March 2026 2.30pm
Wednesday 6th May 2026 9.00am
Monday 6th July 2026 9.00am

Confirm attendance at:
01253 855215
admin@anchorsholme.svt.org.uk





U7 GIRLS WANTED



KEY INFORMATION:

- Players required to currently be in year 1 going into year 2 in September
- No previous experience required
- Training Thursdays 5pm-6pm @Poolfoot
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- Storytelling
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**SCHOOL
YEARS
1-8**



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BLACKPOOL AND PRESTON SANDS

Lights of Love Walk

9th October 2025

Carleton Crematorium

Stocks Lane

Poulton-Le-Fylde

FY6 7QS

Meet at the gates at 6pm, ready to walk at 6:30pm

- Family friendly event - Everyone is welcome
- Please note, photographers may be present. If you don't wish to have your photograph taken, please speak with us on the night
- Weather permitting
- Please bring your own lanterns - Chinese lanterns are not permitted

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A BRAND NEW WEEKLY GROUP!

PICK & MIX PALS

Tuesdays 1pm - 3pm
Holy Cross Church
Central Drive, Blackpool FY1 5LA

TURN OVER FOR THE SCHEDULE

HOLY CROSS CHURCH
TUESDAY 1 - 3PM

PICK & MIX PALS

Phase One schedule

SESSIONS ARE COMPLETELY FREE, AND SUITABLE FOR TOTAL BEGINNERS.
THOSE WITH MORE EXPERIENCE ARE VERY WELCOME TO JOIN US TO TAKE PART IN OUR SOCIAL, RELAXED SETTING!

	12TH AUG	19TH AUG	26TH AUG	2ND SEPT
BLOCK 1	ART: STILL LIFE DRAWING WITH ELIZABETH	ART: FIGURE DRAWING WITH ELIZABETH	ART: PORTRAITS WITH ELIZABETH	ART: LANDSCAPES WITH ELIZABETH

9TH OF SEPT: MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS

	16TH SEPT	23RD SEPT	30TH SEPT	7TH OCT
BLOCK 2	GENTLE EXERCISE WITH RACHEL	GENTLE EXERCISE WITH RACHEL	GENTLE EXERCISE WITH RACHEL	GENTLE EXERCISE WITH RACHEL

14TH OF OCT: INDOOR PLANTING
21ST OF OCT: HALLOWEEN CRAFTS

	28TH OCT	4TH NOV	11TH NOV	18TH NOV
BLOCK 3	DIGITAL CONFIDENCE WITH ROBERT	DIGITAL CONFIDENCE WITH ROBERT	DIGITAL CONFIDENCE WITH ROBERT	DIGITAL CONFIDENCE WITH ROBERT

25TH OF NOVEMBER: CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING

	2ND DEC	9TH DEC	16TH DEC	23RD DEC
BLOCK 4	FESTIVE FRIENDS SING-ALONG WITH MARTHA	FESTIVE FRIENDS SING-ALONG WITH MARTHA	FESTIVE FRIENDS SING-ALONG WITH MARTHA	FESTIVE FRIENDS CHRISTMAS PARTY SING-A-LONG

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There's something for every age group so little ones can keep up and the older ones don't get bored!

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BISPHAM CAMPUS / ASHFIELD ROAD / FY2 0HB / OPENING TIMES: 8AM-5PM

YOUR CHILD WILL NEED:

Weather-appropriate clothing (including sun cream), a packed lunch and plenty of drinks to get them through the day. All clothing should be suitable for sports activities.

SPORTS CAMP 2025-26 PRICES

- Early Bird rate (day) £16
- Early Bird rate (week, 5 days) £70

1 day £19
1 week (5 days) £85

DATES

October 2025: 27-31
deadline 17 October

February 2026: 16-20
deadline 6 February

Easter 2026:
Week 1: 30 March - 2 April
Week 2: 7 - 10 April
deadline 20 March

May 2026: 26-29*
deadline 15 May

*Please note we are closed Bank holidays

Book and pay by each of the specified deadline dates and get the reduced rate of £16 per day or £70 for the week (5 days where applicable).

No early bird price is £19 for the day or £85 for the week.

In order to book a place a £5 deposit per child, per week will be required.

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