



Friday 10th October 2025

Diary dates

Dates for the academic year can be found on our website



Tuesday 14th October 14.30
Fit 2 Go have Parent Celebration



Wednesday 15th October 9.15
Year 4 Harvest Assembly at church



Thursday 16th October 9.15
Year 2 Harvest Assembly at church



Friday 17th October
Non-Uniform Day – No fancy dress/Halloween costumes



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

Polite Notice

We would like to kindly remind all families that our school is a strictly no smoking site. This includes the use of both cigarettes and vaping devices. To ensure a healthy and safe environment for all our children, staff, and visitors, smoking or vaping is not permitted anywhere on school grounds, including the playground areas. We especially ask for your support during drop-off and pick-up times, when the playground and surrounding areas are busiest. Thank you for helping us promote a clean and healthy environment for everyone in our school community.

Headteacher's Message

It has been another busy week here in school, full of learning, teamwork, and positivity. I am very proud of the enthusiasm and kindness our children show each day.

This week's whole-school assembly focused on the theme of resilience — learning to keep going, even when things feel challenging. The children shared some excellent examples of times they have shown perseverance. We talked about how mistakes help us learn and grow, and every class has been challenged to spot moments of resilience throughout the week.

Thank you to all our Foundation Stage parents who joined us for the Bring Your Parents to Phonics' Workshop this week. It was wonderful to see such a fantastic turnout and enthusiasm from you all. We hope you found the sessions helpful and informative and that you feel more confident supporting your children with early reading at home. Your partnership makes such a difference to the children's progress.

Our pupils showed incredible team spirit in this week's intra-school competition! Children from all year groups took part, earning points for their house teams and demonstrating great cooperation, effort, and encouragement. Well done to everyone who took part and for their impressive teamwork and fair play!

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support and encouragement.

Wishing you all a restful and happy weekend.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Barr



This week in pictures

Foundation

Our Foundation Stage children have enjoyed investigating and playing the different instruments in our music area



Year 1

Today in Art year 1 have been looking at different emotions and how these can be shown through our different facial expressions, and also through colours and line. The children have then made their own faces and used different colours and lines to show the different emotions.



Year 2

In Year 2 science this week, we focused on hygiene. Firstly, the importance of washing our hands to stop spreading germs.

We then carried out an investigation using bowls, soap, and pepper. The children had to put their finger in a bowl of water and pepper and observe what happened. Then the children added a bit of soap to their finger to observe what happened next.

The pepper was repelled away from the soapy finger and children made conclusions on why soap and water are so important to keep hands clean.



Year 3

Year 3 enjoyed archery this week!



Year 4

Year 4 enjoyed taking part in a water and rivers session this week from River Ribble Trust.



Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic intra house archery competition. The Red team were the year 5 winners. Great arrows!



Year 6

Year 6 enjoying their Geography topic - Blackpool vs Vegas.

We have started researching tourist attractions in Blackpool this week, old and new!

We are excited to see how they will compare to Vegas!





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 06/10/25	Average this year
Foundation Stage	96.7%	96.3%
Year 1	96.9%	97.9%
Year 2	98.0%	96.0%
Year 3	95.7%	96.3%
Year 4	95.4%	95.3%
Year 5	95.1%	94.7%
Year 6	95.3%	95.7%

Well done

Well done to Year 2, who have the highest year group attendance this week.

Well done also to Red Class, Class 5 and Class 9, who all 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.

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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 31st 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 15th 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)

Together we **ACHieve!**

ANCHORSHOLME ACADEMY
www.anchorsholme.co.uk

Open Evenings
Wednesday 1st October 2025
3.30pm-5.30pm
Wednesday 22nd October 2025
3.30pm to 8.30pm

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
- ✓ Duke of Anchorsholme – Tuesday
- ✓ Sports Club – Wednesday

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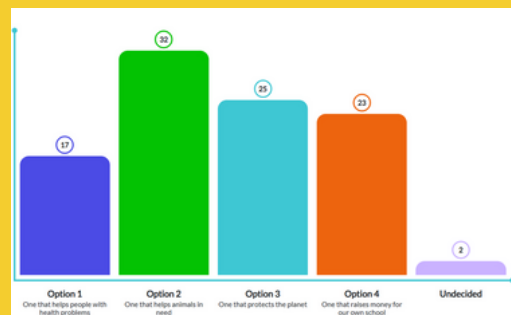


Junior Leadership Team News

Hello from the Junior Leadership Team. This week we have been practising our smiles for picture day! We have also chosen to do a joke... Did you hear about the guy who invented the knock-knock joke? He won the "no-bell" prize!...

This week's question was – What charity matters the most to you?

This is how the school voted



That is all from us this week, have a fabulous weekend!

Non-Uniform Day

To support our Harvest Celebrations and Halloween Quiz we are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 17th October.

Please bring in a Halloween themed treat or harvest donation.

NO COSTUMES please. Every day suitable clothing. Thank you!



TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

ANCHORSHOLME ACADEMY'S

HALLOWEEN QUIZ

OCTOBER 21ST

6-8PM

PUMPKIN AND COSTUME COMPETITIONS

Halloween Quiz Tickets now on sale!
Adults £4.00
Children £2.50
Available from the school office.

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

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**LANCASHIRE & CUMBRIA
ON THE ROAD**
27TH - 30TH OCTOBER | 10AM-2PM | AGES 5-16

HEYSHAM ATOMS MONDAY 27 OCTOBER
CHORLEY PANTHERS TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER
BLACKPOOL SCORPIONS WEDNESDAY 29 OCTOBER
EGREMONT THURSDAY 30 OCTOBER

BOOK NOW
WWRL.NET/WWCFOTR

£10 PER PERSON

OCTOBER HALF TERM FOREST CAMP

**SCHOOL
YEARS
1-8**

**MONDAY 27 TO THURSDAY 30
OCTOBER 2025**

10:00AM TO 2:00PM

STANLEY PARK

MEETING AT THE BOWLING GREEN

(///OTHER.SHINS.EXTEND)
£16.50 per day No lunch provided
£20 Lunch Provided

FREE Government funded
places available for
children on benefit
related free school meals

ACTIVITIES:

- Pumpkin Carving
- Spooky Crafts
- Fire Lighting
- Den building
- Scavenger hunts
- Outdoor games
- Storytelling
- & More

Book now



Blackpool Council

**Department
for Education**



**OCTOBER
CAMPS '25**

MONDAY 20TH - FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER

£13 PER DAY OR £55 MONDAY TO FRIDAY

**SPORTS
CAMP**
AGE 5 - 14
SCAN FOR SPORTS
CAMP INFORMATION

**FOOTBALL
CAMP**
AGE 5 - 14
SCAN FOR FOOTBALL
CAMP INFORMATION

**GIRLS
FOOTBALL
CAMP**
AGE 7 - 14
SCAN FOR GIRLS FOOTBALL
CAMP INFORMATION

**DANCE
CAMP**
AGE 5 - 14
SCAN FOR DANCE
CAMP INFORMATION

WWW.BFCC.CO.UK

Charity Registration Number: 1128220



Rainbows
Girls play, learn and
have tons of fun
for ages 4 to 7

All Rainbows are welcome all girls to play,
learn and have fun in a safe,
safe space for all abilities.

Join a local Rainbows group [girlguiding.org.uk/joinus](https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus)



Brownies
Girls have nonstop
fun, learning and
adventure
for ages 7 to 10

I like doing things
outside... we get
to learn about our
environment and
how to care for it!

Girl Guiding

2nd Anchorsholme Rainbows have places available for girls aged 4-6 meeting Monday's 6.15 - 7.15. 2nd Anchorsholme Brownies also have places available for girls aged 7-10, Tuesdays 6.15-7.45. Please register your daughter on the website <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk> and search for 2nd Anchorsholme Rainbows or 2nd Anchorsholme Brownies and we will be in touch.

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BRAND NEW TAEKWONDO AFTER SCHOOL ON TUESDAY'S

- ✓ Builds Confidence
- ✓ Improves Focus & Discipline
- ✓ Develops Respect & Self-Control
- ✓ Encourages Fitness & Healthy Lifestyle
- ✓ Teaches Self-Defence Skills
- ✓ Fun & Engaging Classes

Every Tuesday, collection 4.05pm from reception
£7 per class (payable per half-term block).
£22 yearly licence. **Book a place now**
www.northerntaekwondo.co.uk 07779 275207

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!

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

9TH OF SEPT: MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS

BLOCK 2	16TH SEPT	23RD SEPT	30TH SEPT	7TH OCT
	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

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

25TH OF NOVEMBER: CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING

BLOCK 4	2ND DEC	9TH DEC	16TH DEC	23RD DEC
	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

MULTI-SKILLS / VOLLEYBALL / BADMINTON / TABLE TENNIS / GAMES / FREE PLAY

SPORTS CAMP

ATHLETICS / BASKETBALL / FITNESS FOOTBALL / NETBALL / HANDBALL / HOCKEY

BGFC's action-packed, fun programme of sports, games and creative arts is the perfect way to keep the kids aged 5-14 entertained during the holidays.

Our amazing facilities mean we're able to offer a wide range of sporting activities as well as supervised games, competitions, arts and crafts.

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



£16 PER DAY OR £70 FOR THE WEEK
WHEN YOU BOOK AND PAY BY DEADLINE!

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).

Non 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.

EARLY BIRD OFFER



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