

Anchor News



Friday 30th January 2026

Diary dates

Dates for the academic year can be found on our website

- Thursday 12th February
Love & Kindness Day.
- Thursday 12th February
Close after school for Half Term.
- Monday 23rd February
School Re-Opens.
- Thursday 5th March
World Book Day.
- Tuesday 24th March
Drama Production Evening 6pm.
- Thursday 26th March
Parents Evening from 3.30pm
- Tuesday 31st March
Year 3 Easter celebration at All Saints Church @ 9.15am.
- Thursday 2nd April
Y1 Easter celebration at All Saints Church @ 9.15am.
- Thursday 2nd April
Dress up as 'my hero' day
School Closes For Easter.
- Monday 13th April
School Re-Opens.

Headteacher's Message

Following recent parent feedback, I have been in discussions with Blackpool Catering, who supply our school meals, here at Anchorholme.

I'm pleased to share that, starting Monday 2nd February, they have agreed to offer three choices of jacket potato fillings and three sandwich options every day. We hope this provides greater variety for our pupils and supports their preferences.

Jacket potato:

Tuna

Beans

Cheese

Sandwich:

Ham

Tuna

Cheese

Our Parent Forum did not go ahead on Wednesday as planned due to insufficient attendance. All feedback will be carried forward to our next meeting, where we hope to welcome more parents to join us.

This morning, our athletics team took part in the Blackpool Finals. They achieved 3rd place. Although they did not win, they displayed fantastic teamwork, determination, and school spirit throughout the event. A huge thank you to Mr Haworth for his dedication in preparing the team, and to Mrs McGinnis and Miss Truelove for their support at the event.

Well done to all involved – we are very proud of you!

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



100%
100%
100%
100%

Attendance Matters!

Well done to Year 1, who have the highest year group attendance AGAIN this week.

Well done also to Class 10, who won our highest weekly attendance award.

Year Group	Weekly Attendance Week commencing 26/01/26	Average this year
Foundation Stage	94.8%	96.1%
Year 1	96.1%	96.9%
Year 2	95.5%	95.4%
Year 3	95.4%	95.0%
Year 4	95.6%	95.9%
Year 5	93.9%	94.2%
Year 6	93.0%	95.2%

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

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

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This week in pictures

Foundation

Our Reception children have had fun practising their gross motor skills outside.



Year 1

Creating portrait collages using newspaper. Can you guess which explorers we are currently learning about?



Year 2

Children in Year 2 have come to the end of their Design and Technology cooking topic - the Great British Bite. The children have made their own afternoon tea sandwiches by using their knife skills to show how to spread butter and how to cut up their sandwich. As you can see, they have had a wonderful time making and especially eating!

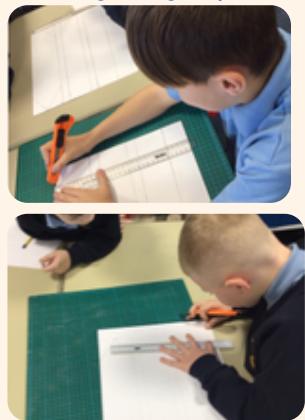


Year 3

Year 3 were so busy studying and working hard that they did not have the opportunity to take pictures!

Year 4

Year 4 have developed their measuring and cutting skills in DT whilst starting to create their Viking Longships.



Year 5

This week in Mandarin, Year 5 have explored the meaning of Fu for Chinese New Year! Students created their own Fu symbols to share luck, happiness, and blessings for the year ahead.



Year 6

This week, the children have designed, edited and improved non chronological reports in writing lessons. These are all about new species of animals that they have created.



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Junior Leadership Team

Hello, from the junior leadership team.

This week year fives have been enjoying swimming lessons and year six have been preparing for sats with booster groups.

This weeks joke is: why aren't koala bears bears?

They don't meet the koala-fications



Notices

Kindness Day Thursday 12th February

To spread kindness on this day, the children will be given the opportunity to gift a classmate a heart lolly with a special message.

To support this we ask for a £1 donation to be paid via cash on the day.

Extra lollipops to gift siblings or grown ups at home can be purchased 2 for £1.

All money will be used to support Year Group budgets to provide extra opportunities for the children.

Red and Pink Non-Uniform



After School Activities

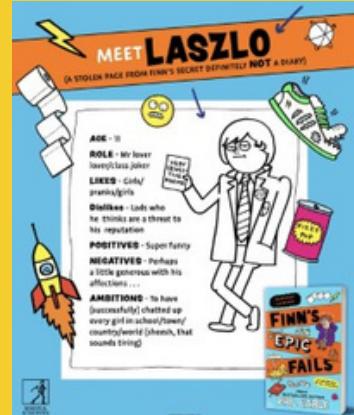
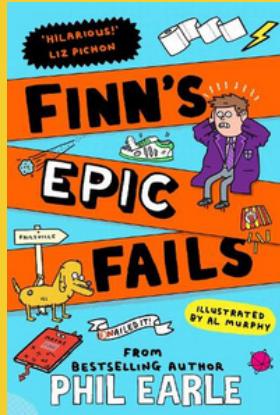
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- ✓ Taekwando- Tuesday
- ✓ Sports Club - Wednesday
- ✓ Drama - Thursday
- ✓ Dance Squad- Friday

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We're thrilled to welcome back Phil Earle for National Storytelling Week 📖🌟

Last time, we loved hearing about Dawn of Adonis and Phil's inspiring journey from non-reader to author and publisher. This time, he'll be introducing his brand-new book *Finn's Epic Fails*!

We can't wait to hear about the inspiration behind his newest story and dive into another fantastic storytelling session.

If you'd like to purchase a signed copy, please find it under trips on Arbor. Alternatively, you can send in the correct cash on the day.

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Blackpool Sports Centre
Wednesdays
4.00pm to 5.00pm



APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR JUNIOR BAKE OFF

Aged between 9-15 and love to bake?
We'd love to hear from you!

WWW.APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK



APPLICATIONS CLOSE 15TH MARCH 2026

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