



Friday 9th October 2026

Diary dates

Dates for the academic year can be found on our website



Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th & Thursday 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



Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st October Individual & Sibling School Photos



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

It is always wonderful when children have the opportunity to meet a real author and be inspired by a love of reading. This afternoon our Key Stage 2 pupils enjoyed a very special visit from the author, Jessica Townsend, creator of the bestselling Nevermoor series.

Jessica captivated the children as she shared her journey as a writer, spoke about the inspiration behind her books, and offered a fascinating insight into the world of storytelling. Our children listened so well throughout the session and had the opportunity to ask their own questions. We were incredibly proud of their thoughtful, enthusiastic and imaginative questions they asked.

Jessica commented on how polite and enthusiastic our pupils were, we are so proud of them.

We would like to extend a huge thanks once again to Elaine Silverwood of Book & Bean Ice Cream, Kirkham, for making this fantastic opportunity possible for our children. We are also very grateful to Mrs Hodgson for organising the visit and ensuring the event ran so smoothly. Experiences such as these help to foster a lifelong love of reading, and we hope that our children left feeling inspired to pick up a book. Thank you to everyone involved in making this memorable event such a success.

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 Foundation Stage, who have the highest attendance this week.

National Average 95.6%

Year Group	Weekly Attendance Week commencing 05/10/26
Foundation Stage	98.7%
Year 1	97.1%
Year 2	97.0%
Year 3	95.9%
Year 4	95.7%
Year 5	96.3%
Year 6	95.1%



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?

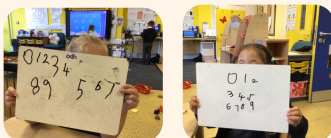
PERCENTAGES BASED ON 190
ACADEMIC DAYS

This week in pictures



Foundation

Our Foundation Stage children are working hard on recognising and writing their numbers.



Year 1

Year 1 loved exploring making the greater than and less than symbols in maths this week!



Year 2

This week, firefighters from Bispham fire station came to talk to Year 2 about fire safety and what their jobs entail. Firefighters Tom and Patrick gave an informative talk and answered questions at the end of the presentation.



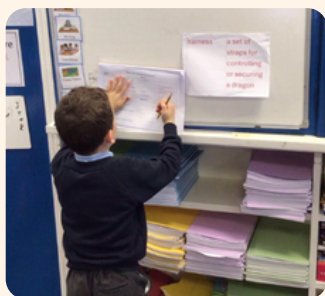
Year 3

Year 3 have enjoyed hot seating a Stone Age person this week! Om was fascinated with the children in the classroom!



Year 4

Year 4 have loved discovering new vocabulary this week using a scavenger hunt!



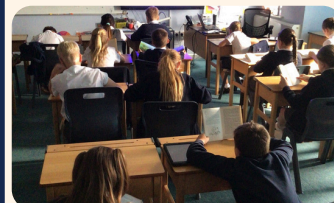
Year 5

Year 5 used newton meters to measure friction in their Science lesson and recorded their results accurately



Year 6

Year 6 joined the online reading event to set a new Guinness World Record and they have also enjoyed some online Maths and English quiz games!



Junior Leadership Team News



Hello everybody,
Welcome back to Anchornews. If you didn't know, this week is International Space Week and this year the theme is Rocket Revolution. We had an assembly about it that pupils found very interesting. In choir, a few children got to perform for the Mayor of Blackpool and other VIPs at Stanley Park for its 100th birthday. Some of you might have gone to the drone show. The drone company was actually on BGT if you didn't already know that.

Thanks for reading,

The Junior Leadership Team 😊

Notices



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'





Taekwondo News



A huge congratulations to Thomas and Ben who won Gold and Luke won Silver at the Blackpool Electronic Olympic-Style Taekwondo Tournament last weekend!

They all put in a brilliant performance, showing amazing skill, resilience and confidence when they stepped into the ring. We're incredibly proud of how far they have come and all the hard work they put into their training.

Thomas performance has also earned him selection to represent Northern Taekwondo at the Manchester International Tournament in November – a fantastic achievement and a brilliant opportunity! Well done, Thomas – thoroughly deserved!

★ Would your child like to give Taekwondo a try?

We run our Anchorsholme Primary School Taekwondo class every Tuesday, straight after school. It's a great opportunity for children to learn new skills, build confidence, improve fitness and have fun!

☎ 07779 275207

🌐 <http://www.northerntaekwondo.co.uk>



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