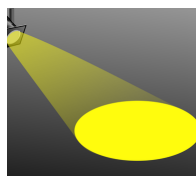




BALSHAW LANE NEWSLETTER

We all enjoyed National Fitness Day this week and the children threw themselves into the fitness activities and whole school Daily Mile run. The children ran a total of 296 miles as part of National Fitness Day! A great achievement! Thank you to Mr Browne for organising the day's activities for the children.



Spotlight this week on Maths



Reception have been working on sorting and grouping.

Year 1 have been working on place value within 10.

Year 2 have been partitioning 2 digit numbers in different ways.

Year 3 have been finding 1, 10 and 100 more or less than 3 digit numbers.

Year 4 have been learning flexible partitioning with numbers upto 1000.

Year 5 have been reading and writing numbers to 1,000,000 and we have been looking at powers of 10.

Year 6 have been working on place value within 10,000,000.

Parking and road safety



This week we have had two serious close incidents at drop off time. As detailed in the two emails sent out this week please can everyone prioritise road safety so that our school community is safe at drop off and pick up times. I am pleased to inform you that our constant contact with LCC Crossing Patrol has resulted in a replacement being sent out from Monday. Mr Pedley, our caretaker, is going to ensure the yellow cones are put out each morning. Please can I ask all parents and carers to ensure they are parked safely and away from critical spots such as straight outside school and where the crossing patrol is. Please can everyone keep to the one way system so that cars are not forced to turn around. Everyone's help and support is much appreciated.



Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to all the children who received a Headteacher Award in last week's assembly.

Team Points

The winners this week were:

DRAGONS

RA Kelsey
1A Leah
2M Seb
3H Charlie
4B Kayla
5G Jack
6H Fiona

RT Ivar
1HP Adley
2W Jack
3J Laila
4D Winter
5W Sophie
6B Barra



Attendance and Punctuality

Whole School Attendance for this academic year is: 97.9%.

Well done to RA, RT, 1HP, 2W, 2M, 4D, 5G and 5W for all being on time this week. AMAZING!

	R A	R T	1H P	1A	2 W	2 M	3 H	3J	4 B	4 D	5 G	5 W	6 H	6 B
Attendance for last week	96 %	99 %	88 %	83 %	95 %	98 %	99 %	92 %	100 %	97 %	93 %	97 %	95 %	96 %
Punctuality - how many lates?	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	5	1

Curriculum Meetings for Parents and Carers

We hope the parents and carers who have already attended the Curriculum Meetings have found them useful and informative. Just a reminder that next week it is: Y1 Monday, Y6 Tuesday and Y5 Wednesday.

After this date the presentations will be emailed out to parents and added to our class pages on the school website. We really appreciate your support and thank you for attending.

Summer Reading Challenge

Don't forget to send in any reading challenge certificates so that we can celebrate in our Friday Assembly.

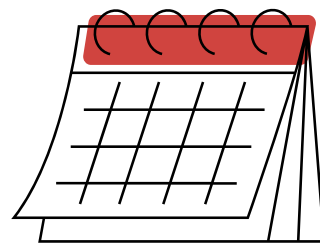
Balshaw Brilliance Badges

The children from year 1 to year 6 are working hard following our 3 school rules of being ready for learning, safe and respectful and will be rewarded with a bronze badge after they have collected 10 stars, a silver one after 20 stars and a gold badge after 30 stars. Please ask your child if they have received this week's star!

Dates for this term

September

Monday 21st	Curriculum Meeting for Y1 parents and carers at 3:30pm
Tuesday 22nd	Curriculum Meeting for Y6 parents and carers at 3:30pm
Wed 23rd	Curriculum Meeting for Y5 parents and carers at 3:30pm Girls Football League
Thurs 24 th	Boys Football League
Friday 25th	Playgroup in the hall for children (0-4 years) and families at 9:30am
Wed 30th	Class photographs and reception individual – Tempest Phonics Meeting for Parents and Carers at 6pm (Reception, year 1 and relevant for some year 2)



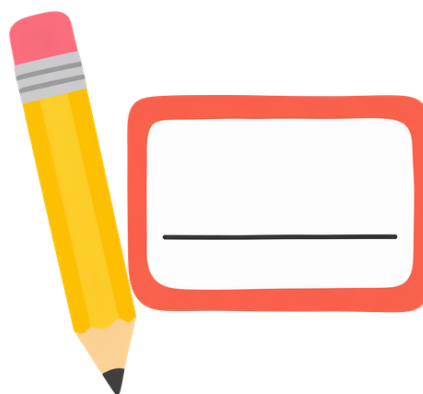
October

Thursday 1st	National Poetry Day
Monday 5th	Parents Evening for children with SEND 3:30-5:00pm
Tuesday 6th	Book Viewing for Parents and Carers 8:45-9:05am (WAC parents @ 7:45am-8:15am)
Wed 7th	Book Viewing for Parents and Carers 3:20-3:35am (WAC parents @ 4:30-6:00pm)
Thurs 15th	Parents' Evening 2pm-6pm Learning Quiz
Friday 16th	Playgroup in the hall for children (0-4 years) and families at 9:30am Break Up for half term holiday

Please note that all the dates for the school year have been added to the calendar on our website.

Messages and reminders

- Please remember that we aim to be a nut free school so we ask you to check ingredients before sending in food. Thank you.
- We are promoting healthy food - please no sweets, thank you.
- Can all uniform be named especially school jumpers, hoodies and coats. Some of the iron on names are already falling out.



Community News

Balshaw Lane Holiday Wrap Around Care

Bookings are open on ScoPay. Times are 8:30am until 4:00pm.




BALSHAW LANE OCTOBER HOLIDAY CLUB

Creative days, outdoor games, and joyful October memories.

 Arts & Crafts
  Outdoor Play
  Music & Dance
  Creative Learning

Club dates Monday 19th – Thursday 22nd

JOIN TODAY!

Bookings open on ScoPay or contact the school office



MONDAY

Senior Clay Club 4:30-5:30

TUESDAY

Youth Choir 4:00-5:00

Junior Clay Club 4:00-5:00

Inbetweeners Kinball 4:00-5:00

WEDNESDAY

Senior Podcasting 4:30-5:30

Home Ed Art Group +10 4:30-5:30

Girls Netball Club 4:30-5:30

THURSDAY

Junior Cooking Club 4:00-5:00

Junior Coding Club 4:00-5:00

Junior Sensory Art 4:00-5:00

Inbetweeners Boys Football 4:00-5:00

FRIDAY

Makers Zone Mission to Mars 4:30-5:30

Senior Doodle Club 4:30-5:30

SATURDAY

Musical Theatre 1:00-2:30



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	BABY ZONE 9:30-2:30PM FREE 0-5 yrs			INSPIRE INVITES 10AM-1PM FREE 25+ yrs	FAMILY DAY 10AM-1PM FREE all ages	EXTERNAL PARTNERS ALL DAY watch this space
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 4:30-5:30PM book online	AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 4-5PM book online	AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 4:30-5:30PM book online	AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 4-5PM book online	AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS 4:30-5:30PM book online	MUSICAL THEATRE 1-2:30PM book online	
SENIORS 6-9PM sch1 yr 7+	JUNIORS 5:30-8PM sch1 yr 3-6	SENIORS 6-9PM sch1 yr 7+	JUNIORS 5:30-8PM sch1 yr 3-6	SENIORS 6-9PM sch1 yr 7+	THRIVE SEN SESSION 2-5PM email us	
				ADLINGTON SATELLITE 6-8:30PM FREE sch1 yr 6+	INBET-WEENERS 6-8:30PM sch1 yr 6-8	

50P
PER
SESSION

BOOK ONLINE www.inspireyouthzone.org

Need to book full term

**Buckshaw and Euxton
Baby & Kids
Free Clothes Swap**

Saturday 24th of October 2026, 10:00-12:00
**St Mary's Church, Euxton, Social Centre (back room),
PR7 6JW**

Bring **washed** old/outgrown clothes **sorted** into the following sizes:

• Preemie	• 9-12 months
• Newborn/ up to 1 month	• 12-18 months
• 1-3 months	• 18-24 months
• 3-6 months	• 2-3 years
• 6-9 months	• Then by year from 4-11

Bring a bag and leave with new clothes in the right size

If you are looking for newborn clothes, please just come without any donations to take some things for your new arrival!

School uniform is welcome, but do please use your school's schemes

A table for miscellaneous other items also available

Tea, coffee, squash and cakes available to buy. Proceeds going to hall hire/charity

If you have clothes that you would like to drop before the event or have any questions, please contact Andy at lunn.andrew@gmail.com



SIP & SHOP

Sunday 4th October 2026, 12pm-5pm

Join us once again, for a memorable afternoon at the luxurious 'Waterfront Southport Hotel'. Indulge in an exquisite afternoon tea and shop 'til you drop with a variety of shopping stalls... All funds raised will help Rainbow Hub to brighten lives

PLUS:
 Drink on arrival
 Event MC & Live Entertainment with Hayley Murray Music
 Fallen Angelz are back again with their fun fashion show

Event kindly supported by:
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Ticket cost: £36 per person
Venue: Waterfront Southport Hotel, Marine Lake, Promenade, Southport, Merseyside, PR9 0DZ

For more information, and to book, please contact:
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**Lancashire Health Visiting
and School Nursing**

Access School Health in a drop in session
Support for children, young people, parents and carers

HEALTH & WELLBEING SUPPORT

- ✓ Emotional health and wellbeing
- ✓ Healthy lifestyles
- ✓ Sleep concerns/ Toileting issues
- ✓ Behaviour support
- ✓ Growth and development
- ✓ School-related health concerns
- ✓ General health and wellbeing questions

DROP-IN SESSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

📅 **3 September 2026** | 9:30am-12:00pm
The Zone (next to Skelmersdale Library), WN8 6PZ

📅 **8 September 2026** 09:00-12:00
Clayton Brook Village Hall, PR5 8HL

📅 **10 September 2026** 2:00-4:00pm
Preston West Family Hub, PR2 1TU

📅 **16 September 2026** | 9:30am-11:30am
West Paddock, PR25 1HR
With SEND Peer Support Group

📅 **29 September 2026** | 2:00pm-4:00pm
Ribbleton Family Hub, PR2 6EE

ACCESS TO WIDER SUPPORT
Delivered as part of the One Stop Shop in partnership with the Early Help Partnership, helping families access advice, guidance and local services.

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED
Simply come along to a session that suits you.

★ MORE LOCATIONS • MORE DATES • BETTER ACCESS TO SUPPORT ★

Have a lovely weekend.
Best wishes,
Mrs Hodgson.