# THE DEVONSHIRE

FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY 2025



#### **Headteacher's Notice**

Hello Devonshire,

I would like to start by saying that I hope you are enjoying our new newsletter. The Buzz Newsletter has been updated and redesigned to be more user friendly and to include as much information, events and news as possible. A huge thank you to Miss Thornton from our Admin Team for the fantastic update.

Thank you to Miss Sweeney and Mrs Janes who, on Tuesday evening, delivered a presentation to Year 4 parents and carers to explain the upcoming Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check. Thank you to everyone that attended the meeting after school; I hope you found it useful and informative. For those that couldn't make the meeting, we have posted the slides on Class Dojo. Please speak to a member of the Year 4 team if you have any questions or concerns at all about the MTC.

Yesterday, a small group of children attended an exciting trip to the Creative Space Centre in Preston. This venue is the largest multi-sensory centre in the UK, providing sensory support to those with additional needs for 30 years. The centre is the only one of its kind, using state of the art lighting, visuals and sound equipment to create a fully tailored sensory experience for its visitors. The children had an amazing time and returned full of joy. Thank you to all the staff involved and especially Mrs Nixon and Mrs Horabin for organising the trip.

Finally, our Expressive Arts club have had their last few rehearsals this week in preparation for their performance at the annual Schools Alive event held at Blackpool Winter Gardens. I'd personally like to thank Ms O'Hagan, who has been working so hard with the pupils for many months to perfect the performance. This year, we will be performing four songs from the sensational musical, Sister Act 2. We wish the staff and pupils the best of luck for their performance on Wednesday evening!

I hope you all have a pleasant and peaceful weekend.

Mr Simm Headteacher

#### **School Notice**

Please be reminded that the school gates open at 8.40am. Children arriving after 8.50am will be marked as late. Lateness has a significant impact on the school's attendance and children's education. Please be aware that Blackpool Pupil Welfare also screen our school's attendance daily.

During cold and icy weather, please ensure you set off early and allow extra time for your journey.

Thank you for your cooperation.

# **Upcoming Events**

- 7th February NSPCC Number Day £1
- 13th February Valentines Discos £2
- 14th February Wear Pink/Red £1
- 14th February House Reward Afternoon
- 14th February Close for Half-Term
- 24th February School Re-Opens

Please check Class Dojo, Parentapp and Facebook for further details.

### Attendance (4)



Whole School: 93.6%

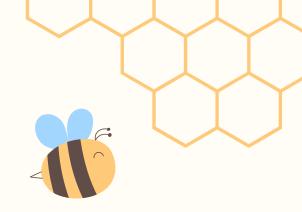
Registration: Lincoln Class

**Attendance Winner:** Robert G (Y3)





# BUSY BEE BUSINESS



# **Jungle Class**

Preschool have been SHARPENing their writing skills by using lacing boards to strengthen their hand muscles. They have also been doing some super painting by adding water to the paints and uncovering the wax markings beneath. PAINTastic!



#### **Potter Class**

CELLO there, Reception! Our youngest year group became a full orchestra in our Music Room last week! Children played with the woodwind, brass, string and percussions instruments. Stay TUNEd for a mini band!





#### **Keller Class**

Year 3 have been sharpening their skills on the glockenspiels. Children have created melodies to the backing song of Three Little Birds. They'll TUNE be pros!









## **Beethoven Class**

1H had a BLOOMing good art lesson, painting flowers using various sized paintbrushes. The children ROSE to the occasion and used different types of brushstrokes to capture the beauty of the flowers and their intricate details.



























# Star of the Week

Star of the Week		Star Citizen	
RG	Nova-Grace D	RG	Shane R
RM	Quinley M	RM	Lola H
1H	Brooklyn C	1H	George A
15	Hebin S	15	Grayson E
2AM	Albert A	2AM	Jack M
2CM	Esther A	2CM	Elyssia N-M
3P	Zahra A-H	3P	Emaan U
3H	Joe-Joe L	3H	Patience-Jasmin H-H
4MT	Juwana M	4MT	lzzy B
4S	Lilly-Mai P	4S	Joseph A
5S	Adam P	5S	Lilly-May S-F
5D	Inaya M	5D	Logan S
60	Violet B-C	60	Riley D
6J	Alfie B	6J	Nishaali N







#### **Word of the Week**

## Significant

(sufficiently great or important to be worthy of attention; noteworthy)

# **Makaton Sign**



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# **Friday 31ST January**

National Hot Chocolate Day

# ADVERTS &

# OTHER BUSINESS



#### JANUARY TO MARCH TIMETABLE 🍪 💙

Our new timetable is in full swing now! Don't forget that you can head into your local hub and pick up a printed version if you'd prefer

We have lots of fun new activities for you and your children to enjoy! Or maybe the new year is a good chance for you to check out our Sip and Share coffee mornings?

Whether you're looking for something after school, early morning or midday, there's something for everyone.

★ Check out our online timetable: www.blackpool.gov.uk/FamilyHubsTimetable

# Parent Peer Support

mind Lancashire

Support is available for parents and carers of children from age 5-18 (or 25 with additional needs) living in Blackpool

## How we can support families

Topic based workshops to help you support your child's wellbeing
Focus groups
Support and training to set up new groups

Support will be informative engaging, fun and empowering







For more information contact: sharonsutcliffe@lancashiremind.org.uk



The Department for Education fund our Holiday Activities and Food offer which takes a targeted approach to support children in Blackpool who receive free school meals. We provide them with free access to enrichment activities, including sports and games throughout the school holidays, as well as a meal, snacks, and drinks whilst attending the activities.

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