

# Our HSA Newsletter

Friday

13th March 2026

Spring 2



**The Gazette young seaisiders 2026**  
**School Arts & Crafts Exhibition**  
 Visit the Exhibition at the Blackpool School of Arts' Gallery, FY1 4ES  
 Tuesday 10th March to Friday 3rd April  
 Monday, 9am - 5pm - Tuesday, 9am - 5pm - Wednesday, 9am to 5pm  
 Thursday, 9am to 8pm - Friday, 9am - 5pm  
 For more information contact The Promotions Team 07786060702  
 In association with BLACKPOOL SCHOOL OF ARTS B&FC

## What's happening

### FOUNDATION

In Foundation Stage, the children have been learning about *people who help keep us safe*. They have explored important roles such as firefighters, police officers, doctors and nurses.

These people work hard to protect us, help us when we are in danger, and keep our communities safe from harm. The children have been learning how these everyday heroes rescue people, care for those who are ill or injured, and sometimes even save lives!

The children all agreed that it is important to know who to call in an emergency. Mrs Latham was very impressed that they knew who to get in touch with and how to do it.

As part of their learning, the children especially enjoyed role-playing in our doctor's surgery. They took turns being the patient, doctor and receptionist. They practised answering the phone and did an exceptional job. They may even be able to help Mrs Scholes and Mrs Haley-Davis in the office!



They also took notes about what had happened to our 'patients', passing this information on to the doctor or nurse and helping everyone feel better. Miss Allan said she would be very happy to be a patient at their surgery!

It was wonderful to see how the children developed their communication skills and teamwork through role-play.

'Play gives children the chance to practice what they are learning.' Fred Rogers

### MOSAIC

In Mosaic, the children are focusing on their sensory and physical development while continuing to strengthen their gross and fine motor skills. They are making excellent progress, and their development is clearly evident from the beginning of their journey in Mosaic.

Learning to share is an important skill that we all need to remember. The children are developing their relationship skills by beginning to understand the importance of sharing. It is heartwarming to see them put this into practice as they include their peers in their learning through play.

**'The more we share, the more we have.'** Anonymous

Finally, the 'comms boards' are an intrinsic feature in Mosaic. They provide a way for the children to communicate non-verbally with each other. The boards are used as both a communication and learning tool during class activities, helping the children to express what they need or require, as well as to give explanations or directions.



*Keep it up Mosaic!* We are all incredibly proud of the progress you are making.



*Pictures: Foundation Stage, Mosaic and Young Seaisiders Art Exhibition*

## Our Values

### Nominations are in!

#### CLASS TEACHER NOMINATIONS

KS1: James, Thomas and Zara

KS2: Seth, Ella, Ruben, Lincoln, Freddie and the whole class 5S

**'This supportive partnership allows both of them to stay focused and motivated.'**



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*Been to an event at Hawes Side? Your feedback is valuable to us!*

#### Recent letters home:

[Parents & Guardian Consultation](#)

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**Reminder** Whole Class Photos, 17<sup>th</sup> March *(full school uniform on the day)*



OPAL playtimes

# Special Feature

## FOCUS ON MRS BOON

Each week, we have a 'special feature' on one of our Hawes Side team members. This week it is Mrs Boon from the Foundation team.

Here's what we asked Mrs Boon.

### Mrs Boon, what was your favourite childhood story book and why?

Mrs Boon said that one of her favourite books was *The Jolly Postman* by Allan Ahlberg. Mrs Boon loved it because it felt like opening a *little world of surprises*.

In the book the postman delivers letters to well-known fairy tale characters, and each page has real envelopes containing letters you can open up and read. That made the story feel interactive and Mrs Boon part of the postman's magical adventure.

It is one of those books Mrs Boon returned to again and again because every envelope felt like discovering a tiny treasure.

**'Once upon a bicycle, so they say, a Jolly Postman came one day from over the hills and far away.'** *from The Jolly Postman* by Allan Ahlberg

## OPAL

You may be aware that we are continually developing play opportunities at our academy through the OPAL scheme.

We are now making greater use of the field at lunchtimes, with lots of new resources being gradually introduced. In addition, we are beginning to redevelop other areas to create a performance space, a reading space, a games space and much, much more for our children to enjoy.

We are very grateful for your support, which is helping us bring our ideas for creative play to life.

If you have any ideas or suggestions on how we can continue to develop our playtimes, or if you would like to get involved, please do get in touch.

**Donations of resources are always greatly received!**



## Celebrating Success

### BRILLIANT BASKETBALL!

Noah attends junior basketball every Sunday and absolutely loves it!



This past weekend, Noah played in a local tournament, and his basketball team emerged victorious, winning a trophy! Noah was overjoyed for his team and demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship, showing team spirit in abundance.

*Well done Noah*, we are all incredibly proud of your achievements!

## YOUNG SEASIDERS ARTISTS

We are incredibly proud of Jasmine, Theo -Jay and Elijah whose artwork has not only been selected for display in the exhibit but are **winners of Young Seaside Art!**

They had the opportunity to view their artwork at the Young Seaside Art Exhibition on Wednesday and you can too! See page 1 for more details.

Out of thousands of submissions, their creativity clearly captured the judges' imagination.

We cannot wait to see their pieces on display, alongside the other wonderful artworks in the exhibition.

**If you would like to celebrate your child's success, email [admin@hawes-side.co.uk](mailto:admin@hawes-side.co.uk)**

## A message from our Principal

*Our values: Resilience, Respect, Responsibility, Reflection and Relationships*



**CAROLINE BOOTHROYD**

It has been another fantastic week at Hawes Side. During our OPAL assemblies, the children reflected thoughtfully on play and how our values, relationships, respect, resilience, reflection, and responsibility, guide everything we do and help us make positive choices.

They gave thoughtful examples of these values in action, and it was wonderful to see them working so well together during playtime, using their values to guide their decisions.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend, we can't wait to see all the children back in school next week!

### *Celebrating Punctuality & Attendance*

Most *improved attendance* last week was **class 2H**.

The class with the *best punctuality* last week was **6H** again! The most *improved class punctuality* was **5S**.