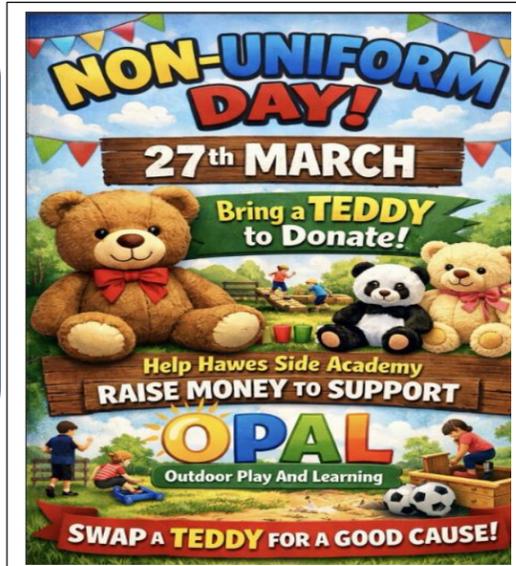


Our HSA Newsletter

Friday

20th March 2026

Spring 2



Pictures: Year 1 news piece photo's and Last Day of term fun!

What's happened ...

YEAR 1

What a jam packed half term Year 1 are having! They have been incredibly creative during their Design and Technology lessons. The children have been decorating their weavings, using the skills they have learnt to produce some wonderfully imaginative pieces.

Our Year 1 children are budding scientists! They have been exploring the different parts of a plant, from the leaves to the stem. Did you know that plants have a vascular system? Year 1 certainly do and they have expanded their knowledge and discovered lots of fascinating facts about plants. Using modelling materials, they even created their own plants and confidently labelled all the parts.

'Logic will take you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere.' Albert Einstein

With just a week to go until we break up for Easter, year 1 will continue to be very busy in all their lessons, working hard and, just like the plants they've been learning about, continuing to grow!

Celebrating Punctuality & Attendance

Most improved attendance is class 4H.

The class with the best punctuality was 6H (again). The most improved class punctuality was Foundation.



Look who's hatched?

[Click here to find out more](#)

LEARNING SHOWCASE

On Monday, children in years 3 to 6 welcomed families into school to showcase what they have been learning. The children were excited to share their work and take pride in what they had produced in class. They should feel very proud of their hard work and determination.

'Your best champion and cheerleader is yourself. Always be proud of your accomplishments, big or small.' Ayanna Howard

The classroom is a personal space for our children, one where they feel safe to learn and express themselves. For them, welcoming parents and guardians into this space is like inviting a friend into their home. The children embraced having 'grown-ups' in class and were confident in sharing their learning.

Each class had its own focus to share with parents, whether that was supporting children with spellings or multiplication, or simply opening the classroom door to present to loved ones the fantastic work they are producing, their progress, and how they are continually growing as they journey through the academy.

Some of our parents and guardians kindly gave us feedback using our [Event Feedback link](#) and the comments received were positive, and it certainly seems the showcase was a success!

We look forward to more Learning Showcases in the future. *Pictures, see page 2 and the ['Latest News'](#) on our website.*

Our Values

Nominations are in!

CLASS TEACHER NOMINATIONS

KS1: Lewis, Oliver and Reuben

KS2: Ola, Oscar, Alfie, Amelia, Matilda and Tom

'He shares his ideas clearly and with the correct vocabulary that helps deepen his understanding in his learning.'

Quick links:

- [Calendar](#)
- [Term Dates](#)
- [Latest News](#)

[Family Support \(recently updated\)](#)

[Event Feedback](#)

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

Recent letters home:

- [Ofsted Framework](#)
- [Multiplication Meeting Year 4](#)
- [Becoming a Parent Trustee](#)
- [Continuation of Home-time Arrangements 5/6](#)

Have you booked your Parent/Guardian appointment with your child's class teacher?

Ask at the academy office!

4S Parent & Guardian Evenings have been postponed – more information will follow in due course



Year 3 to 6 Learning Showcase

Special Feature

FOCUS ON PUPIL LEADERSHIP

Each week, we feature one of our Hawes Side team members. This week, we're doing things slightly differently and have asked our Pupil Leadership team to answer a 'quirky question'.

If you could travel anywhere in time, where would you go and why?

Nahla would like to travel 100 years into the future! She would like to see if there are flying cars, robots who are doing our jobs, like serving in restaurants or delivering the mail. Nahla thinks it would be interesting to see how much (or little) we have progressed.

Merida would also like to travel into the future but not quite so many years, maybe 20 or so. She is curious to see how her future self is doing and also check out how much technology has advanced in that short space of time.

Harry wants to go way back in time to the Jurassic era to see all the dinosaurs. He would like to observe and study them, minding out not to become dinner for a T-Rex! Then Harry would travel back and give the world an accurate depiction of what life was really like.

Elsa wants to journey back to meet Queen Victoria because she wants to know what she was really like, finding out if some of the stories of her life and reign were true. Elsa wants to know what it would like to be Queen Victoria, as head of state and as a person.

'The world is but a canvas to the imagination.' Henry David Thoreau

BIG FOOD PROJECT

This Easter, our academy is supporting The BIG FOOD Project by taking part in their *Easter Soup Challenge*.

The BIG FOOD Project supports people and families across our local community who are struggling to afford food, and at the moment they are particularly low on tinned soup.

As a school, we are proud to support their work, and we are asking families, if they are able, to donate one or more tins of soup for our collection.

Please send in donations of any flavoured tin soup to the academy by: **Wednesday 25th March 2026**.

Every tin donated will help support local people in need.

'Helping one person might not change the world, but it could change the world for that one person.' Anonymous

ROAD SAFETY

We kindly ask for your support in helping to keep our children safe when travelling to and from school by parking sensibly, responsibly, and legally around our academy. Please also be respectful of our neighbours, fellow road users, pedestrians, and staff.

Where needed, the council is currently working to recruit additional school crossing patrol staff to help support safe crossing near the school. In the meantime, we ask that you take extra care and remain vigilant when travelling during school times.

If we all act responsibly, we can help keep our whole school community safe.

Celebrating Success

LUCA, YEAR 3

We are delighted to celebrate Luca's recent achievement.

Through his dedication, determination, and resilience, he has earned a yellow belt in kickboxing.



Well done Luca, we are very proud of you!

Holiday Activities

BLACKPOOL & FYLDE COLLEGE

Easter Sports Camp at Blackpool & Fylde College, running from 8am until 5pm.

Camp dates and prices:

- Week 1: **Monday 30th March to Thursday 2nd April 2026** (Friday is a Bank Holiday)
- Week 2: **Tuesday 7th April to Friday 10th April 2026** (Monday is a Bank Holiday)
- **£19 per day per child**
- **£85 for the full week**

Contact details: Telephone: 01253 504184 or email SportCentre@blackpool.ac.uk

BFCCT

Easter themed Holiday Club at Armfield with Blackpool Football Club Community Trust.

Dates and Information

- **Dates: 7th April, 8th April, 9th April and 10th April.**
- **Time: 9:00pm – 1:00pm**
- Fun sports and team games
- Challenges and prizes plus making new friends
- A healthy meal each day

Book using this link:

<https://forms.gle/i9nCkNWwHEi8qCuKA>

A message from our Principal

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



CAROLINE BOOTHROYD

It has been lovely to see the sunshine this week, it has certainly brought a smile to everyone's face. It was also wonderful to see so many of you in the academy on Monday for our Learning Showcase; the children and staff thoroughly enjoyed hosting the event and sharing the fantastic work that has been taking place across school.

As we move into our final week of term, there is still lots of learning and exciting activity taking place in classrooms. We also look forward to welcoming you back for parents' evening. Staff have allocated a time for everyone, and we are very much looking forward to the opportunity to catch up, celebrate your child's achievements, and discuss their learning and progress so far this year, as well as their next steps.

In the meantime, have a lovely weekend and let's hope the sunshine stays!

