



Hawes Side Academy

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16th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Even though we are having to operate in different ways at the moment, there are still many important events that we do not want to miss. One such event is welcoming families, new and old, into the academy to help them with the very important decision of which primary school to select for their child or children. It saddens us to know that we cannot open our doors as we would usually and so, as a compromise, we are in the process of putting some videos together to give you an insight into who we are and why we believe Hawes Side to be a school of choice. We hope to follow up with socially distanced tours but, in light of the government announcement today, will take further advice and share with you as soon as possible if this can happen.

In liaison with our current Foundation Stage parents and carers, the Gazette photographer took class photographs of our wonderful children on Tuesday to celebrate the start of their school journey at Hawes Side. The photographs will appear in the Gazette on Friday 23rd October so please watch out for this.

As we approach the end of our first half term altogether, I would like to thank you for all your support in helping us settle the children back into school. It has been a challenging time for all but I am so proud of how well our children have adapted and have been happy to be back and so keen to learn.

Have a lovely weekend everyone and I look forward to seeing you all next week, our final week as we head into half term.

Mrs Boothroyd

Individual School Photographs – Following on from last week's newsletter I can confirm that we have discussed with our school photographer the best way to take the children's individual photograph in line with our risk assessment. He will be in school on Tuesday and Wednesday 3rd and 4th November and, weather permitting, will take the photographs outside – so fingers crossed that the weather will be kind to us! Unfortunately, and we are sad to inform you, because of the Covid-19 restrictions we are unable to accommodate any sibling photos this year as we don't want to 'burst any of our bubbles' around school. This restriction also includes siblings who do not attend Hawes Side.

Important Information for our Year 6 Parents – We would just like to remind parents that if your child is currently in Year 6 then you must apply for a Secondary School Year 7 place for September 2021. Blackpool Council are encouraging parents to apply for a school place online at: www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions. The closing date for Secondary School applications is 31st October 2020. Applications received after the closing date will be processed after all those which are received on time. If you apply late this may reduce your chances of an offer for one of your preferred schools. If you wish to receive a paper application and information booklet these are available from schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk or telephone 01253 476637. For more information, please see flyer at the bottom of this newsletter. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO APPLY.**

Primary School Reception Application – September 2021 – If your child was born between 1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017, you must apply for a Primary School Reception place for September 2021. Blackpool Council are encouraging parents to apply for a school place online at: www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions. The closing date

for Primary School applications is 15th January 2021. Applications received after the closing date will be processed after all those which are received on time. If you apply late this may reduce your chances of an offer for one of your preferred schools. If you wish to receive a paper application and information booklet these are available from schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk or telephone 01253 476637. For more information, please see flyer at the bottom of this newsletter. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO APPLY.**

Hawes Side Academy App – If you haven't already done so, we would like to recommend that all parents and carers download our Hawes Side Academy App. This can be downloaded on both apple and android devices and is a great way to keep up to date with everything going on at school.

Through the app you can access the school calendar, latest news and announcements, which will come to your device as notifications. All of which we hope will help to support communication with our school community and keep everyone up to date!

The App is free to download and easy to use. Simply search for 'Hawes Side Academy' in the App Store or Play Store and download to get started. That's it you are ready to go!

We hope you find the new App useful.

Sanitiser – We have a stock of sanitiser that is over 70% alcohol and is fully available for pupils to use. We understand that due to allergies and specific reasons, there may be some cases where pupils may need to bring in their own. Please can this be over 70% alcohol and for individual use only - it should not be shared.

Bags – Thank you for all your support in helping us keep the academy as safe as we can. We have noticed recently that some children are starting to bring in bags from home. We will supply a clear plastic reading bag for reading books to go into so there is no need to be bringing in anything else except a coat, water bottle and packed lunch bag. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

One-Way System – Thank you for following our one-way system at the start and end of day. We appreciate some of our arrows have washed away and so once we get a dry spell, we will remark the playground. We know it may be tempting to cut across but it's essential that we all follow the rules to keep safe. Many thanks.

CAR PARK UPDATE

We just want to say thank you so much to you all for helping us keep our car park as safe as possible. The pass system is working well and will continue.

Name	Class	Value recognised	Values Certificate Comment
Isla	RA	Resilience	Isla has settled into Hawes Side very well. She has begun to come into school independently. Well done Isla!
Amelia	RA	Respect	Amelia has settled well into school. She is beginning to make firm relationships and is always polite throughout the day.
Ava	RH	Resilience	Ava is a real asset to Mr Sandwell's class. She is always 'willing to have a go' and is so keen to learn new skills. If she gets something wrong, she is keen to keep trying. Well done Ava.
Jack	RH	Respect	Jack is always keen to do the right thing. He has wonderful manners and follows the classroom rules beautifully. Well done Jack. He is a pleasure to have in the classroom
Vienna	RS	Relationships	Being a kind friend and helping her peers.

Emma	RS	Relationships	Playing wonderfully with friends in her class.
Braxton	1A	Resilience	Always tries to do his best and not be distracted by others. Well done Braxton.
Chelsey	1A	Reflection	Trying incredibly hard with her phonics and writing. Well done Chelsey!
Jason	1H	Relationships	For always caring for others.
Harrison	1H	Respect	For always helping to keep the classroom tidy.
Natalie	1S	Resilience	For trying so hard in her reading and phonics. Natalie has really improved her blending skills and tried to use her new graphemes in her writing.
Jake	1S	Respect	For working really hard to demonstrate active listening skills in class, particularly during carpet time. Jake has really impressed all of the grown-ups and children with his wonderful listening skills this week. Well done
Leo	2A	Resilience	Leo has demonstrated resilience in his writing. He has shown determination in working on feedback from the teacher to improve his work and has produced pieces of writing he should be very proud of.
Isaac	2A	Respect	Isaac has demonstrated respect for our school environment always helping to tidy up and look after the resources in our classroom.
Charlie	2H	Resilience	For demonstrating resilience in her maths work.
Tom	2H	Reflection	For reflecting on his choices in school and ensuring he is always ready to learn.
Hope	2S	Respect	Hope has really showed superb effort and support to others this week. She's acted as a good role model and invested time with her peers who don't always find learning easy. Well done Hope.
Oliver	2S	Resilience	Oliver has showed great effort and determination to his learning this week. When he's found activities challenging, he's used resources to help him find his own answers and kept a positive mindset throughout. Well done Oliver.
Lily-Rose	3A	Responsibility	A class role-model for responsibility, Lily-Rose is a kind and caring pupil at all times and always thinks of others first. Well done, Lily-Rose.
Olivia	3A	Respect	Olivia is a role-model for respect and is courteous to both her teachers and peers. She has beautiful manners and is always considerate and thoughtful in all that she does. Well, done Olivia.
Alfie	3H	Relationships	For being a kind and considerate member of the class, always listening carefully to other's views.
Kelsie-Leigh	3H	Resilience	For showing resilience when faced with challenges in maths, always trying her best to complete her work.
Leo	3S	Resilience	Demonstrating incredible resilience within his mathematics.
Lily	3S	Respect	For being a fantastic role model to the school by consistently demonstrating the correct ways to behave.
Ellie	4A	Responsibility	For always having a mature attitude towards her work.

TYLER	4A	Responsibility	For always participating in class discussion.
Alfie-James	4H	Responsibility	For taking responsibility for his classroom environment and encouraging his classmates to respect their property.
Lewis	4H	Resilience	For working so very hard to improve his reading and practicing his words every day!
Kesiena	4S	Resilience	For always showing fantastic resilience within all areas of the curriculum and striving to achieve the best she can.
Lexie	4S	Resilience	For showing fantastic resilience within her maths work and pushing herself to the best of her ability.
Logan	5A	Relationships	For always being a good friend and getting along with others in class.
Niamh	5A	Resilience	For showing resilience in her maths lessons.
Harry	5H	Respect	Up most respect within Music lessons- fantastic effort
Laycee	5H	Responsibility	Shows excellent responsibility towards her learning
Zara	5S	Responsibility	For working really hard with her news interview and thinking about how to present clearly
Macie	5S	Respect	For always being a kind and considerate member of the class.
Thomas	6A	Responsibility	For taking responsibility for learning.
Alexis	6A	Respect	For always treating others kindly.
Amelia	6H	Responsibility	For always doing the right thing in class and supporting others with their work.
Mikey	6H	Respect	For always making the right decisions and being a role model to the rest of the class
Alexia	6S	Resilience	For trying even when things get hard. You always give 100%
Natasha	6S	Responsibility	For always trying and acting on feedback given. Well done.

Thank you for your support – Thank you for ensuring that your child does not attend the academy if they are displaying COVID-19 symptoms and for all your support and understanding in the cases where we have had to send pupils home to obtain a test or isolate since our return to the academy.

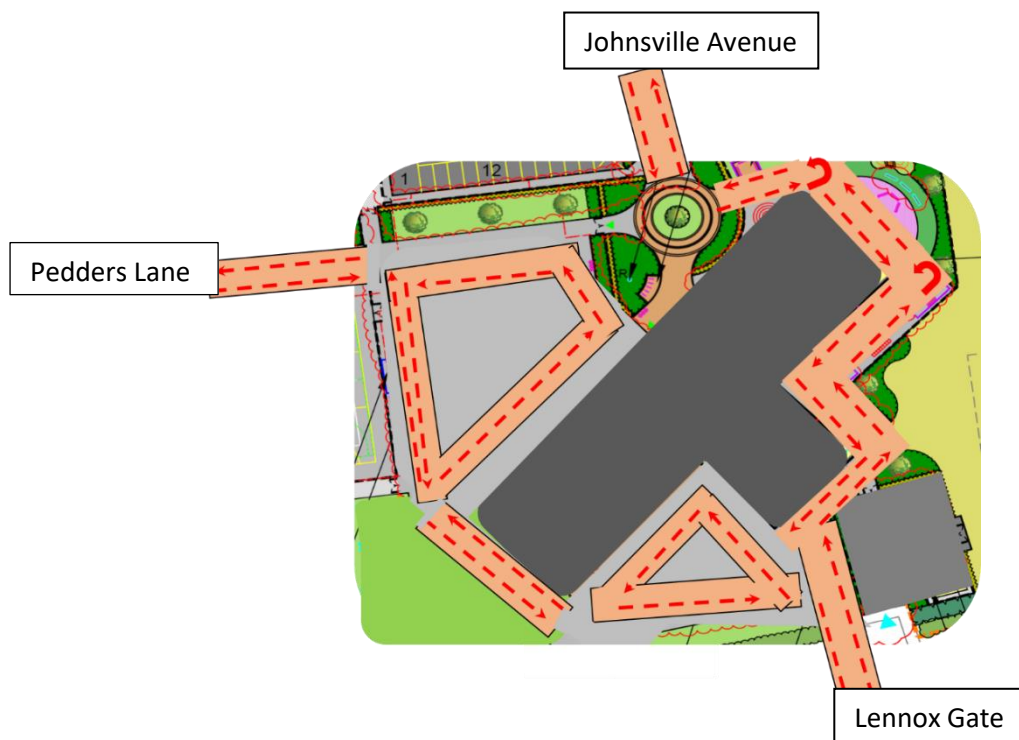
We never like to send children home from school, however, all your support during this time is very much appreciated.

Coronavirus Update – As you may be aware, the government have today announced restrictions to be implemented from midnight tonight. This new guidance does not change academy operations at this time however, we do ask that you continue to observe our request to use the one way system, maintain your social distance and do not stand or wait in the grounds during drop off and pick up to reduce the possibility of virus transmission. Your support with this is very much appreciated and will help us all remain as safe as possible.

Hawes Side Academy – Term Dates – 2020/2021

	School Closes	School Opens (8.50 am)
Autumn Terms 2020 starts		Wednesday 2 September 2020
Inset Day	Thursday 1 October 2020	Monday 5 October 2020
Autumn Half Term 2020	Friday 23 October 2020 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3.00 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm)</i>	Monday 2 November 2020
Christmas 2020	Thursday 17 December 2020 <i>(Whole school @ 2.00 pm)</i>	Monday 4 January 2021
Spring Half Term 2021	Friday 12 February 2021 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3.00pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm)</i>	Monday 22 February 2021
Easter Break 2021	Friday 26 March 2021 <i>(Whole school @ 2.00 pm)</i>	Wednesday 7 April 2021
May Day 2021	Friday 30 April 2021 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3.00 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm)</i>	Tuesday 4 May 2021
Summer Half Term 2021	Friday 21 May 2021 <i>(Foundation, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3.00 pm)</i> <i>(Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm)</i>	Monday 7 June 2021
Summer 2021	Tuesday 20 July 2021 <i>(Whole school @ 2.00 pm)</i>	

One-Way System – Please see below:





Blackpool SEND Service Newsletter

Supporting children, young people, families and schools with young people within the area of Special Educational Needs.

Autumn Term 2020

Sleep Town

SleepTown is an app that helps your child attain a healthy, regular sleep schedule. They can construct amazing buildings just by achieving their bedtime and wake-up goals every day.



How it works: 3 steps to a healthy sleep schedule.

1. Set their own challenging bedtime and wake-up goal.
2. Open the SleepTown app before bedtime goal and start constructing a building.
3. Wake up before their wake-up goal, shake your phone/tablet to clear your mind, and see which building they got. Every morning the building is a surprise that will motivate them to wake up!

Repeat these steps every day to maintain a regular sleep cycle and create a lovely "SleepTown"!

Blackpool SENDIASS

Blackpool Special Educational Needs and Disability Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIASS) is a statutory service. They offer free, independent, confidential and impartial information, advice and support to parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) ages 0-25. Follow the link below for more information and contact details.

<http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Residents/Health-and-social-care/Children-and-families/SENDIASS/Home.aspx>

Communication and Interaction



16th October 2020 is Developmental Language Disorder Day. Developmental Language Disorder (DLD) is diagnosed when children fail to acquire their own language for no obvious reason. This results in children who have difficulty understanding what people say to them, and struggle to articulate their ideas and feelings. Recent research has shown that, on average, 2 children in every class of 30 will experience DLD severe enough to hinder academic progress. The theme this year is #DLD: See me.

For more information check out this website <https://radld.org>



25th November 2020: No Pens Day Wednesday is an annual day of speaking and listening activities that takes place in schools and education settings across the country. The event raises awareness of communication as a key life skill. Verbal communication skills are important for learning to read and write, managing emotions, developing friendships and entering employment. Ask your child if they've had a day not using their pens! More information can be found at <https://ican.org.uk/no-pens-day-wednesday>

Welcome back to the new school year, we will now be sending out newsletters on a half-termly basis. We hope to continue to share information, strategies and support for you all.

If you would like any advice or support with any aspect of your child's learning, please contact your child's teacher. Your child's school is always there to help. Further information can be found on the Blackpool SEND Local Offer page on Facebook.

<https://www.fvirectory.co.uk/kb5/blackpool/directory/localoffer.page?directorychannel=2&district=blackpool>

Useful Websites

<https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Residents/Health-and-social-care/HeadStart-Blackpool/HeadStart-Blackpool.aspx>

<https://blackpoolbetterstart.org.uk/>

Many of us are familiar with negative thoughts that come into our heads each day. At times, it can feel like the world is full of gloom and doom. So what can we do to help children and young people develop a habit of thinking more positively about themselves?

Follow the link below for 5 top tips:

<https://beaconschoolsupport.co.uk/new-letters/5-top-tips-to-get-your-children-thinking-positively>

Learning and Wellbeing

In light of children returning to school and the easing of lockdown. Learning and Wellbeing Psychology have put together a short hand washing song.

<https://www.learningandwellbeing.org/videos>

Online safety

The COVID-19 pandemic increased the amount of time children are spending online. SafeToNet Foundation are giving 1 million licences free for life of their @SafeToNet software to families in the UK.

To sign up, click on the following link

<https://safetonet.com/foundation/covid>

Do you have any worries about a young person's mental health? A mental health helpline is available for young people aged 11-17. You can call 0800 111 111 for help and support. Open to young people, parents, carers & professionals.

Monday: 3-5pm
01253 955858

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS – SEPTEMBER 2021

PRIMARY APPLICATIONS

If your child was born between **1st September 2016** and **31st August 2017**, you must apply for a Primary School Reception place for September 2021. **(Applications are required for all children with a 4th birthday between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021).**

SECONDARY APPLICATIONS

If your child is in the final year of primary education (Year 6), you must apply for a Secondary School Year 7 place for September 2021. **(Applications are required for all children who are in their final year at a primary school).**

If you live in Blackpool (pay council tax to Blackpool) –

**APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE ON-LINE AT:
www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions**

Before you complete and submit your application you are advised to read Blackpool Council's guide for parents at: www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The on-line system offers a quick and secure means of applying for places. Paper applications and information booklets are available from schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk or telephone **01253476637**.

CLOSING DATES FOR APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

PRIMARY APPLICATIONS – BY 15TH JANUARY 2021

SECONDARY APPLICATIONS – BY 31ST OCTOBER 2020

Applications received after the closing dates will be processed after all those which are received on time. If you apply late this may reduce your chances of an offer for one of your preferred schools.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!

If you pay your council tax to Wyre or Fylde then you will need to access Lancashire's on-line application system at www.lancashire.gov.uk You can still express preferences for Blackpool schools on Lancashire's application system.

www.blackpool.gov.uk

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