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Newsletter No. 16

26th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of this Spring Term, I would like to share with you the exciting news that Mr Glynn has secured a headship post at Kirkham and Wesham Primary School from September 2021; we are so pleased for him although he will be very sadly missed. Mr Glynn is a key member of our Hawes Side community and has got to know many of you well over his fourteen years with us. I know you will join me in wishing him all the very best in his new role and the Kirkham and Wesham community are lucky to have such a dedicated and passionate person leading them. We are looking forward to continuing to work with Mr Glynn over his final summer term.

I would also like to thank you all for your support over the past term, the children have been absolute stars. Have a wonderful Easter and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Wednesday 7^{th} April.

Take care.

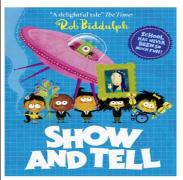
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Relationships Respect Resilience Reflection Responsibility

Contact tracing over Easter:

As you may have heard, the government have asked schools continue to report positive cases of COVID to them over the Easter break. As a result, the government require that schools continue to report positive cases of COVID and advise possible contacts of the need to self-isolate until 01/04/2021. Even though the academy is closed from 26/03/2021, should your child test positive for COVID anytime between 27/03 and 01/04, please can you let the academy know by sending us an email to admin@hawes-side.co.uk. This email account will be checked at 3 points each day 9 am, 12 noon and 4 p.m. Should we need to make contact with families following advice of a positive case this will be done by a text or APP message.

<u>Message from Blackpool Council Family Learning Team</u> - We have a new competition for the Easter holidays and have 10 of these fabulous books to give away as prizes.



Show and Tell!

Join our fun competition for the Easter holidays.

Every day from 29th March - 9th April we will post a fun family activity on our Facebook page <u>Competition Time!</u> (facebook.com). All you need to do to enter is join in and show or tell us what you did.

Every time you post a photo or share what you have done you will be entered into our prize draw to win one 10 fabulous Show and Tell books by Rob Biddulph.

Competition open to Blackpool families only. Entries close on Sunday 11th April

Family Learning workshops coming up next term:

Workshops (online)

Help with phonics (90 mins)

Help with early maths (90 mins)

Help with early writing (90 mins)

Get set for School (for pre-school families) (90 mins)

Story Sacks (4 sessions online)

Learn how to make a story sack to bring stories to life- all resources provided

Sunflower Project (outdoors) - 1 hour all resources provided

Plant a sunflower to take home Enter our sunflower competition Spring Hunt

<u>Foundation Stage and Year 6 - Heights and Weights</u> - Parents of our Foundation Stage and Year 6 children received a letter regarding our school nurses coming into school to carry out heights and weights of our Foundation Stage and Year 6 children. I would like to confirm that they will be in school to carry this out on Monday 19th April 2021.

Year 1 - NHS Vision screening

Vision screening is an integral part of the universal delivery of the national Healthy Child Programme, and meets the criteria laid down by the National Screening Committee, which recommends that all children should be screened for visual impairment between four and five years of age.

Visual acuity, eye alignment and binocular vision continually develop from birth up to the age of seven. This is why it is important to test, detect early and begin any treatment of defects that may occur. The test also reduces the risk of defects developing into visual impairments if left untreated.

Children in Year 1 been invited to take part in this programme at school. The test will be carried out by staff from Blackpool Teaching Hospitals Orthoptic Department during normal school hours. This is a non-invasive test that should take no longer than a few minutes. To be able to screen the orthoptist will need to access the name, date of birth and contact details of your child from the school. This will enable us to send a letter to you, usually within two weeks of the initial visit, to inform you of your child's results. Please be aware that this information will only be used by the vision screening service and any sharing is done under appropriate legal gateways.

If you <u>DO NOT</u> want your child to take part, please ask your child's class teacher for a form which needs to be completed and returned to school before Tuesday 13th April. If you are happy for your child to be tested you do not need to do anything.

<u>LETSLOCALISE</u>: We are delighted to announce a new school partnership with an exciting new social initiative, LetsLocalise. This platform will build a community of committed business and individual supporters, including parents, to aid fundraising activities, and offer expert time and assistance to enhance every pupil's opportunity at school

Why LetsLocalise?

LetsLocalise provides a solution to the challenge of financial cuts in schools. The platform builds and fosters long-term, meaningful partnerships between members of the community and their local schools. Schools can share details of upcoming events, fundraising drives and requests for volunteers or work experience placements. That way, individuals and companies can see how and where they can offer their help, time and money in ways that are productive, meaningful and enjoyable. This application is FREE for schools and their parent groups. You can find out more about LetsLocalise at www.letslocalise.co.uk.

We would like to ask you to:

- 1) Sign up with LetsLocalise and follow our school (www.letslocalise.co.uk/school/hawes-side-academy/sch121400/campaigns/).
- 2) Did you attend our school yourself? Please identify yourself as an alumnus in the profile.
- 3) Look out for our fun online events and join in.
- 4) Offer support in ways that are convenient for you.
- 5) Share this platform with friends and family. This is a great way for grandparents and others to feel connected, and to be able to support your children in their education.
- 6) Share with local businesses and also your employers. Businesses have budgets to support local communities that is often not utilised. Let's work together and show them how they can benefit our school, our children and their future.

We will post all events on our LetsLocalise page, along with requests for help which our budget will not cater for, therefore adding value to students' education and social benefits to the wider community. We may potentially ask for funds, for resources or for volunteers.

The support of our parent community is invaluable to us, and we would like to thank you in advance for taking time to join, and we look forward to seeing you there, and at one of our future events.... watch this space for more information!

Hawes Side Academy Term Dates - 2020/2021 School Closes School Opens **Autumn** Wednesday 2 September **Terms 2020** 2020 starts Thursday Inset Day 1 October 2020 Monday 5 October 2020 Autumn Half 23 October 2020 2 November Friday Monday Term 2020 (Foundation, Yrs 1,2 & Siblings @ 3.00 pm) 2020 (Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm) Christmas Thursday 17 December 2020 Monday 4 January 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1,2 & Siblings @ 3.00 pm) 2020 (Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm) Spring Half 12 February 2021 Friday Monday 22 February Term 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1,2 & Siblings @ 3.00 pm) 2021 (Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm) 26 March 2021 Easter Break 7 April 2021 Friday Wednesday 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1,2 & Siblings @ 3.00 pm) (Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm) May Day 30 April 2021 Tuesday 4 May 2021 Friday 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1,2 & Siblings @ 3.00 pm) (Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm) Summer Half 7 June 2021 Friday 21 May 2021 Monday Term 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1,2 & Siblings @ 3.00 pm) (Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm) Summer 2021 Tuesday 20 July 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1,2 & Siblings @ 3.00 pm) (Yrs 3, 4, 5, & 6 @ 3.10 pm)



Blackpool Parents and Carers -High School 2021

Do you have a child with special educational needs who is moving up to High School in September 2021?

Would you like some help to get them ready for the change?

Join one of our FREE online transition workshops for parents and carers.

Blackpool SENDIASS have commissioned Transition Workshops for parents of children with additional needs, who will be transferring from primary to high school in September.

Joining an online workshop will enable parents to prepare their child for some of the changes they will experience and help children to be confident that they are ready for their new school.

There will be 3 online sessions for each workshop with a mixture of discussions with other parents and practical tips that families can work on at home together, these will run on the same day and time each week.

For more information or to sign up to 3 sessions of the workshops email Joan at



Trinity Special Needs Advice Partnership

using Trinitysnap17@amail.com

SENDIASS (Special Educational Needs & Disability, Information, Advice & Support Service) www.blackpool.gov.uk/sendiass

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	School closes		School Opens	
Autumn Terms 2021 starts			Thursday	2 September 2021
Inset Day (Friday 1 October)	Thursday	30 September 2021	Monday	4 October 2021
Autumn Half Term 2021	Friday	22 October 2021	Monday	1 November 2021
Christmas 2021	Friday	17 December 2021	Wednesday	5 January 2022
Spring Half Term 2022	Friday	11 February 2022	Monday	21 February 2022
Easter Break 2022	Friday	1 April 2022	Tuesday	19 April 2022
May Day 2022 (Monday 2 May 2022)	Friday	29 April 2022	Tuesday	3 May 2022
Summer Half Term 2022	Friday	27 May 2022	Tuesday	7 June 2022
Summer 2022	Thursday	21 July 2022		