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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have started to settle in to our new class. Thank you to everyone that was able to make our 'Meet the Teacher' events, it is great to see you. Please make sure you give Miss Baldwin any first aid changes so that our first aid records are up to date. Thank you!

Catholic Life

There is no school mass this week as Father David has a funeral on Thursday but school mass will start again next Thursday 24th September in church at 10am. We would love to see you join us.

Admissions

Applications for secondary school places for SEPTEMBER 2027 must be made before 31st October 2026. It is very important that you apply before the deadline and express your choice. If you fail to do so, you may be allocated a school that is far from your home.

Primary places for Reception Class SEPTEMBER 2027 must be made before 15th January 2026. Please notify and friends and families with children that are due to start next year. Our open evening is 12.10.26, 3:30-6pm

The on-line application system is available at www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Allergies

Our children all learned about allergens last week and how some people can become very ill if they have an allergic reaction. The children learned that we have a special kit in school for anaphylaxis that we can use if someone feels very ill and now know how to raise the alarm.

Silly string

Please could parents refrain from giving their children 'silly string' and bringing it to school. On Friday, we had an incident where another child sprayed the string into the eye of another child. Although this was an accident, we do not want this to happen again.

Author visit

Originally I posted that Y2 were going to visit to see an author at Anchorsholme academy on 9th October, however I was wrong! Apologies! Y2 are going to visit Chris Smith, author of Christmas with the Famous Five, on 4th December. Instead, it is Year 6 that are going to Anchorsholme on October 9th to visit with author Jessica Townsend, author of the *Nevermoor* series with her latest book, *Silverborn*. They will learn about how authors write stories and what is their inspiration. Her book 'Silverborn', which will be signed, is available to buy on MCAS closer to the time.

Mary's Meals

This year, our trust BEBCMAT, is aiming to raise enough money to sponsor 'feeding a school' through the charity Mary's Meals. There are currently 20 schools in our trust, with 4965 pupils, and on Friday 16th October, every school will be holding a simple event to help raise funds towards this good cause. We will be having a non-uniform day and would like to ask for a donation of £1 to be made on MCAS. If you would like to donate more, then please do. See their website for more details: www.marysmeals.org.uk/feed-a-school

Harvest Festival collection

On 8th October, Year 3 will celebrate the Harvest Festival here in school by holding a special assembly. As a school, we like to collect donations from our school, that we can donate to a local cause. From Monday 5th October, please send in any in-date tinned food, toiletries, pasta (or other dried goods) and we will make sure they go to help others in our local community.

Use of trim trails

A polite reminder that children do not have permission to use the school trim trail before or after school. School will not be held responsible for any incidents that occur due to the unauthorised use of the equipment.

Uniform

Trainers should only be worn on PE days.

Earrings should be plain studs only, no hearts, stars, dangly ones or hoops and these need to be removed on PE days.

Boys' hair should be smart - no shaved lines or be less than a no.2 cut. Girls should tie long hair back.



14.9.26	Y3 Meet the Teacher at 9am
15.9.26	Stanley Park event – children to be notified if participating
16.9.26	Y4 Meet the Teacher at 9am
17.7.26	Y5 Meet the Teacher at 9am
18.9.26	Y6 Meet the Teacher at 9am
21.9.26	St. Mary's open evening for Year 6 parents
24.9.26	Year 5 leading Mass @10am in Holy Family Church – all welcome
25.9.26	Year 3 trip to 'Bring Yer Wellies'
28.9.26	Year 5 trip to Blackpool Tower
1.10.26	Year 4 leading Mass @10am in Holy Family Church – all welcome
2.10.26	Stanley Park 100-year anniversary event – children involved will be notified
5.10.26	Harvest donations to be sent into school – tins, dried goods or toiletries – thank you! Year 2 class assembly at 2:30pm in school
8.10.26	Year 3 leading Harvest celebrations @ 2:15pm
9.10.26	Year 6 trip to Anchorsholme Author event (apologies, not year 2)
15.10.26	Year 6 pilgrimage to Ladyewell shrine
16.10.26	Non Uniform day - £1 donation to Mary's Meals
22.10.26	Year 2 leading Mass @10am in Holy Family Church – all welcome
23.10.26	Close for half term 3:15pm



