



Headteacher: Mrs Kelly Harrison

Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Hayley Hargreaves

Newsletter
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Friday 10th
July 2026

Year 6—St Aidan's Showcase

Wow, two fantastic performances from year 6 on Wednesday in front of parents and carers.

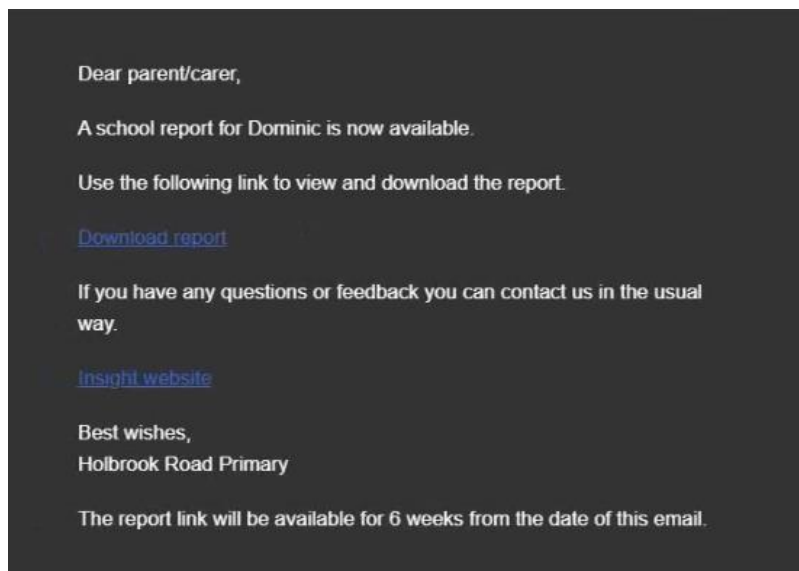
A huge well done to everyone. Thank you to all parents and carers for coming to watch.

Our thanks also go to Miss Cornall and Mrs Rey for all of their hard work leading up to the play. We hope everyone enjoyed it as much as we did!



End of year reports.

This year, to save on admin work and rising printing costs, we will email end-of-year reports to parents today. **Please ensure the office has your most up to date email address.** Reports can also be downloaded on phones. If you do not have a phone or a computer please let the office know and we will print it for you. You will need your child's date of birth to access the report. Examples of what you will see are below:



Payments

As we approach the end of the school year, we kindly ask all parents and carers to check their **SchoolMoney** accounts and ensure all outstanding balances are paid in full by **Friday 17th July**.

Please take a moment to log in and review any remaining balances for:

- **School Dinners**
- **Before & After School Clubs**
- **Recent Trips & Activities**
- **Music Lessons**

? Need Help?

Our office team is here to support you. If you are experiencing any technical issues logging into your account, or if you would like to discuss a payment query, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Thank you so much for your continued cooperation and support in helping us wrap up the school year smoothly!

After school clubs

Reminder that Netball and Ambassadors after school club has now finished, Sam's Multisport club and Jakes's JagTag club will continue until w/c 14th July.

Events

EYFS Graduation event (2pm)	Wednesday 15 th July
Y6 Leavers' Meal	Wednesday 15 th July
ALWAYS Treat day	Wednesday 15 th July
Y6 Leavers' service in Church 2.00pm	Thursday 16 th July
Awards presentation assembly	Friday 17 th July
School closes for summer 1.15pm	Friday 17th July

Awards Assembly

Our annual awards assembly is being held on Friday 17th July. Parents and carers are welcome to watch by invitation only due to limited space. Invitations have already been sent via text message.



Swimming lessons – Year 4 (From September 2026)

Current Year 3- swimming lessons next year In September, the children in the current Year 3 class (that will be moving into Year 4) will be starting weekly swimming lessons. Over the summer holidays, please can you help your child prepare for this through discussing it with them and where possible by taking them swimming. Many swimming sessions and other leisure activities are either heavily discounted or free on the RE:FRESH membership to anyone who lives, works, has a GP or is in full time education in Blackburn with Darwen. For more information follow the link below: <https://bwdleisure.legendonlineservices.co.uk/enterprise/Join/online-sign-ups>

End of Year ALWAYS Treat

As an end of year reward for children who have shown how we ALWAYS behave a 'Fun Run' bouncy castle has been booked for Wednesday 15th July. As this is an activity that has been risk assessed we need permission for your child to take part. If you haven't yet completed the permission form that has been sent out via text message please do so by Monday 13th July 2026.



This week's Stars&VIPs!

Class	Star ★	V.I.P 🎉	Oracy star 🎤
Miss Abbott	Hugo	Karson	Hanna
Miss Kay	Athena	Aila-Mae	Sabriya
Miss Brindle	Mossa	Nana	Laiyla
Mr Eccles	Theo	Joseph-Junior	Arya
Miss Bateson	Demi	Chimamanda	Tise
Mrs Moss	Layla K	Tobias	Skyla
Miss Cornall	Lucas	Ahmed	Inaya



Well done to **Year 1** who had the best attendance in the school this week!

Overall School Attendance
Target is 96% Actual Whole School Attendance is 94.64%

Enjoy your extra playtime!

Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
91.38%	97.06%	95.96%	96.6%	95.4%	93.33%	93.91%



ST AIDAN'S SPORTS DAY 2026

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE RED TEAM!**



WINNERS!
The Red Team

YOUR PRIZE!

Monday, 13th July

An Afternoon of Fun, Sports & Games!



All children in **Red Team** can wear red
on Monday 13th July to celebrate!
(Red non-uniform day)





FREE SCHOOL MEALS: IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR PARENTS!



BIG CHANGE COMING



From the start of academic year 2026 to 2027,
all children in households receiving Universal Credit
will be entitled to free school meals.



EVEN IF YOUR CHILD PREFERS A PACKED LUNCH...



- ✓ APPLYING BRINGS VALUABLE BENEFITS FOR YOUR CHILD
- ✓ HAF VOUCHERS for the school holidays
(including activities & food)
- ✓ EXTRA SCHOOL FUNDING for resources & support!
- ✓ HELPS US SUPPORT EVERY ELIGIBLE CHILD!



CRITICAL DEADLINE:



Families need to apply by
31.8.26 to make sure their child receives a free
school meal when we return in September.

**Family Hub**

HAF Summer Activities (0-8 years)

FREE lunches also available at the Family Hubs and Hancock Street Children's Centre. Ring 01254 585000 to register.

Week 1

Day	What's On	Location	Time
Monday 3rd August	Story Explorers	Family Hub Little Harwood	10 - 11.30am
	Move and Groove	Hancock St CC	10 - 11.30am
	Summer Sensory	Family Hub Shadsworth	10 - 11.30am
	Summer Sensory	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30 am
	Nourish and Nurture	Wensley Fold CC	12.30 - 2pm
Tuesday 4th August	Story Explorers	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30am
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Little Harwood	10 - 11.30am
	Summer Sensory	Hancock St CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Livesey	12.30 - 2pm
	Louie Says - Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Livesey	3 - 4.30pm
Wednesday 5th August	Story Explorers	Family Hub Shadsworth	10 - 11.30am
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Shadsworth	12.30 - 2pm
	Nature Detectives	Hancock St CC	1 - 2.30pm
	Louie Says - Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Shadsworth	3 - 4.30pm
	Nature Detectives	Family Hub Shadsworth	10.30 - 12pm
Thursday 6th August	Summer Sensory	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Darwen	10.30 - 12pm
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Louie Says - Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Little Harwood	3 - 4.30pm
	Nature Detectives	Family Hub Livesey	12.30 - 2pm
Friday 7th August	Little Kitchen Crew	Family Hub Livesey	10 - 11.30 am
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30am
	Little Kitchen Crew	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Nature Detectives	Highercroft CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Story Explorers	Hancock St CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Let's Play	The Hub Shadsworth (Rothsay Rd)	9.30 - 10.30am

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Week 2

Day	What's On	Location	Time
Monday 10th August	Messy Madness	Family Hub Little Harwood	10 - 11.30am
	Little Kitchen Crew	Hancock St CC	10 - 11.30am
	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Family Hub Shadsworth	10 - 11.30am
	Messy Madness	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30 am
	Nourish and Nurture	Wensley Fold CC	12.30 - 2pm
Tuesday 11th August	Little Kitchen Crew	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30am
	Nature Detectives	Family Hub Little Harwood	10 - 11.30am
	Messy Madness	Hancock St CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Livesey	12.30 - 2pm
	Louie Says - Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Livesey	3 - 4.30pm
Wednesday 12th August	Move and Groove	Family Hub Shadsworth	10 - 11.30am
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Shadsworth	12.30 - 2pm
	Story Explorers	Hancock St CC	1 - 2.30pm
	Louie Says - Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Shadsworth	3 - 4.30pm
	Messy Madness	Family Hub Shadsworth	10.30 - 12pm
Thursday 13th August	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Family Hub Darwen	10.30 - 12pm
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Louie Says - Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Little Harwood	3 - 4.30pm
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Livesey	12.30 - 2pm
Friday 14th August	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Family Hub Livesey	10 - 11.30 am
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30am
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Summer Sensory	Highercroft CC	12.30 - 2pm
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Monday 17th August	Story Explorers	Family Hub Little Harwood	10 - 11.30am
	Move and Groove	Hancock St CC	10 - 11.30am
	Summer Sensory	Family Hub Shadsworth	10 - 11.30am
	Summer Sensory	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30 am
	Nourish and Nurture	Wensley Fold CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Story Explorers	Highercroft CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Livesey	1 - 2.30pm
Tuesday 18th August	Louie Says – Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Darwen	3 - 4.30 pm
	Story Explorers	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30am
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Little Harwood	10 - 11.30am
	Summer Sensory	Hancock St CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Livesey	12.30 - 2pm
	Louie Says – Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Livesey	3 - 4.30pm
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Shadsworth	10 - 11.30am
Wednesday 19th August	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Shadsworth	12.30 - 2pm
	Nature Detectives	Hancock St CC	1 - 2.30pm
	Louie Says – Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Shadsworth	3 - 4.30pm
	Nature Detectives	Family Hub Shadsworth	10.30 - 12pm
Thursday 20th August	Summer Sensory	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Darwen	10.30 - 12pm
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Louie Says – Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Little Harwood	3 - 4.30pm
	Nature Detectives	Family Hub Livesey	12.30 - 2pm
	Little Kitchen Crew	Family Hub Livesey	10 - 11.30 am
Friday 21st August	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30am
	Little Kitchen Crew	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Nature Detectives	Highercroft CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Story Explorers	Hancock St CC	12.30 - 2pm
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Week 4

Day	What's On	Location	Time
Monday 24th August	Messy Madness	Family Hub Little Harwood	10 - 11.30am
	Little Kitchen Crew	Hancock St CC	10 - 11.30am
	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Family Hub Shadsworth	10 - 11.30am
	Messy Madness	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30 am
	Nourish and Nurture	Wensley Fold CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Little Kitchen Crew	Highercroft CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Story Explorers	Family Hub Livesey	1 - 2.30pm
	Louie Says – Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Darwen	3 - 4.30 pm
Tuesday 25th August	Little Kitchen Crew	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30am
	Nature Detectives	Family Hub Little Harwood	10 - 11.30am
	Messy Madness	Hancock St CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Livesey	12.30 - 2pm
	Louie Says – Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Livesey	3 - 4.30pm
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Shadsworth	10 - 11.30am
Wednesday 26th August	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Shadsworth	12.30 - 2pm
	Move and Groove	Hancock St CC	1 - 2.30pm
	Louie Says – Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Shadsworth	3 - 4.30pm
	Messy Madness	Family Hub Shadsworth	10.30 - 12pm
Thursday 27th August	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Family Hub Darwen	10.30 - 12pm
	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Louie Says – Toileting support drop in	Family Hub Little Harwood	3 - 4.30pm
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Livesey	12.30 - 2pm
	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Family Hub Livesey	10 - 11.30 am
Friday 28th August	Nourish and Nurture	Family Hub Darwen	10 - 11.30am
	Move and Groove	Family Hub Little Harwood	12.30 - 2pm
	Summer Sensory	Highercroft CC	12.30 - 2pm
	Splash and Splash (bring spare clothes)	Hancock St CC	12.30 - 2pm
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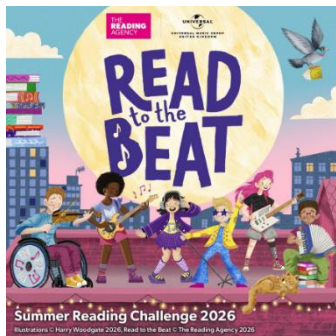
Summer Reading challenge

Get ready to Read to the Beat at Blackburn with Darwen Libraries this summer.

Our annual Summer Reading Challenge for children age 4 – 12 years gets underway from 1st July, with children encouraged to read and rate six library books before 30th September, collecting stickers and prizes along the way. Audio books, eBooks and eAudio (on our BorrowBox app) can all count towards the final total, and this year children can mix and match with a range of reading related challenges too.

Enrolment is completely FREE of charge, so don't delay! Visit your nearest Blackburn with Darwen Library from 1st July onwards and get your Read to the Beat challenge started.

Read to the Beat is a partnership between local libraries, The Reading Agency and Universal Music Group.



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Libraries

July 1st –
Sept 30th



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...mix in these challenges

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Read about your favourite hobby.	Go to an event or activity at the library.	Read something by a new author.	Listen to an audiobook.
Read a graphic novel or comic.	Visit your local library 6 times.	Read a book from a new genre.	Read something with a family member.
Read a book recommended by a friend.	Read for 20mins every day for a week.	Write a review of a book you have read.	Read a book about Music or a musician.

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Sign up FREE at any of
the BwD Libraries
Choose 6 books to read
or.....

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Special extra prizes if you
complete the Challenge
more than once

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Active Passport!

The Active Passport is back this summer! This is an exciting opportunity to keep you and the family active throughout the 6-week Summer holidays. The Blackburn with Darwen Health and Wellbeing Team will be offering families the chance to participate in their FREE Active Passport programme!

Active Passports are available to give you and the family ideas on how to have fun while staying active, whether that's indoors or outdoors, rain or shine. The aim is for you and your family to complete as many of the activities as possible. Some of these activities can be done in your own time, and others will be part of their Active Summer activities. You can find out what they have coming up for their Active Summer activities by checking the timetable on their Facebook page (search refresh Blackburn with Darwen) or visit <https://refreshbwd.com/events/active-seasons/>. Any activities that are part of the Active Summer Programme can be marked as complete with a sticker or a tick.

There is also a competition running over the Summer Holidays where parents / carers can send in a picture of the passport with a week of the busiest completed activities. You will then be in a draw to be in with the chance of winning a £50 voucher!

Send to: wellbeing@blackburn.gov.uk. Include:

- Photo of your busiest Active Passport page
- Adults Full name and Child's Name
- Contact number
- How you found out about your Active Passport

You will then be entered into a prize draw.

If your child is a member of Blackburn Children's University, they can also collect stamps in their passport for attending these activities. You will need to hand in your child's CU Passport, together with the completed 'Active Passport' after the holidays. Please note only organised activities through the Active Summer qualify for hours in your child's CU passport.

To request a FREE active passport to be delivered to your address, please contact the Wellbeing Service on:

- 01254 682037
- Wellbeing@Blackburn.gov.uk
- <https://refreshbwd.com/events/active-seasons/>

If they ask where did you hear about this, please pop down Blackburn Children's University.

If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk or 07805929965 (please leave a message if there is no answer).

Many thanks,

Sara Burton

Blackburn Children's University Manager

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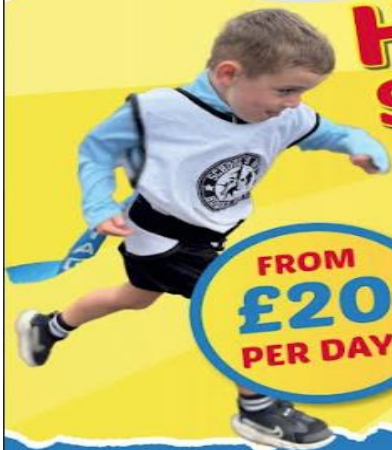
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20TH JULY - 21ST AUG
FROM 7:30AM - 6:00PM

HOLIDAY CLUB AT ST PAUL'S RC PRIMARY FENISCOWLES



**FROM
£20
PER DAY!**

SPORTS

FOOTBALL
DODGEBALL
HOCKEY
HANDBALL
TAG RUGBY
AND MANY MORE

ACTIVITIES

ARTS & CRAFTS
FOOD TECHNOLOGY
GAME CONSOLES
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POOL/FOOTY &
AIR HOCKEY TABLES
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