



St Aidan's

Church of England Primary Academy
A member of **CDARI**



'I came that they may have life and live it to the full' John 10.10



Friday 17th October 2025

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Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Hayley Hargreaves

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE – COMPLETIONS

Well done to the following children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge at Blackburn with Darwen Libraries over the summer holidays!

St Aidan's	
Tommy Y3	Reema Y6
Dominic Y1	Connie Y4
Iremide REC	Lena Y4
Oluwademilade Y4	Emily Y4

Celebration Assembly

Every Thursday we will be having a celebration assembly. Your child's teacher will invite you to join us if your child is receiving an award



Year 4 Swimming

Every Thursday year 4 will have a swimming lesson. Please make sure they bring their swimming kit to school with them every Thursday morning.



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Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 21st October

Pumpkin Light Service in Church

Wednesday 22nd October

Parents Evening

Thursday 23rd October

School closes for half term

Monday 3rd November

School reopens

Parents' Evening Rec-Year 5

Parents' Evening for Reception to Year 5 is being held on Wednesday 22nd October 2025

Appointments should be booked via our online portal-Arbor Parent App.

To get started, please download the Arbor Parent App. If you need to reset your password, simply enter your email address and click "forgotten password." Arbor will send you a link to create a new one.

Once you are logged in to the app, you will need to navigate to Guardian Consultations to select your preferred date and book an appointment.

If you have any issues, please contact the school office -please bear with us as this is a new system and there could be teething problems. Thank you





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BLACKBURN with DARWEN
BOROUGH COUNCIL

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

You may qualify for free school meals if you are in receipt of Government support or have an income below £16,190

APPLY NOW!

www.blackburn.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-and-pupil-support/school-meal

01254 666605 (option 3) admissions@blackburn.gov.uk



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2026
School
ADMISSION

APPLICATION DEADLINE
Secondary - 31st October 2025
Primary - 15th January 2026

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Admission to Reception Class & Secondary School 2026

The online admission form for admission to Reception Class and Secondary schools in September 2026 is now accessible using the following link: <https://blackburn.gov.uk/SynergyWeb/Parents/appsummary.aspx> If you have a child due to start primary school next September (born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021), please ensure you complete the online admission form. The closing dates are:-

Secondary Schools – 31st October 2025

Primary School – 15th January 2026

It is extremely important that these deadlines are met as it can affect your chance of being offered your first choice school. If you are applying for your child's secondary school place, please read your chosen school's admissions criteria carefully as last year we had some very disappointed pupils and parents who did not get accepted into their first choice of secondary school. If you do not have access to the internet please contact the school office to arrange an appointment to complete the application online.

House Statistics

ALWAYS following the school rights this week.



HODDER	CALDER	BLAKEWATER	RIBBLE
100%	98%	98%	98%



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OCTOBER 2025 HALF TERM SPORT COURSE

MONDAY 27TH - FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER



 **THE REDEEMER PRIMARY SCHOOL**
BB2 4JJ

 **£20 PER DAY & £90 FULL WEEK BOOKINGS**
10% OFF FOR SIBLING BOOKINGS

 **DROP OFF: 8.30-9AM & PICK UP: 3-3.30PM**

 **TO BOOK:**
info@foxfoundationfootball.co.uk

- DAILY AWARDS, CERTIFICATES & TROPHIES
- ACTION PACKED DAYS OF SPORTS & ACTIVITIES
- SOCIAL, PHYSICAL & TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT
- EXPERIENCED, QUALIFIED & DBS CERTIFIED STAFF
- ESTABLISHED IN 2021





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PATH CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Peer Advice to Transform Health & wellbeing

**Are you a parent/carer living in
Blackburn with Darwen?**

**We are here to help you understand and
respond to your child's emotional and mental
health, through peer support, workshops,
guest speakers, and direct, virtual and
in-person support.**



Anxiety

Low mood & depression

Self-harm

Eating disorders

Sleep problems

Suicidal thoughts

Obsessions/compulsions

**Livsey Family hub
(9:30am - 12:45pm)**



**Shadsworth Family hub
(9:30am - 12:45pm)**



**Darwen Family hub
(9:30am - 12:45pm)**



**Hancock Street
(9:30am-12:45pm)**



**Join
our drop in
sessions**

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to find out
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Christmas Pantomime 2025—Snow White

Our yearly trip to Blackburn Empire Theatre to watch the Snow White Pantomime is on Monday 1st December. The cost of this trip is **£7.00** per pupil.

It's great to see that some parents have already paid—thank you.

We appreciate that Christmas has only just been and gone and we know that you don't want to be thinking about next Christmas or you don't want to make any payment(s) until closer to December, when this is already a busy and expensive time for everyone, so with this in mind we have added the payment to Schoolmoney now to give you the opportunity to spread the cost into affordable weekly/monthly payments or alternatively, if you wish, you can pay the amount in full.





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Attendance Matters

Attendance is **NOT** optional

There is an expectation that children are in school **EVERY** day.



Overall School Attendance Target is 96%

Actual Whole School Attendance this week is 95%

Well done to **Year 4** who had the best attendance in the school last week!



Weekly Attendance

REC	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
93.33%	92.93%	95.93%	96.36%	97.81%	92.59%	94.67%

Weekly Lates

REC	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
10	0	6	10	3	4	4



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Congratulations

Well done to the following children for being chosen to receive an award:



	Stars of the week		Value's in Practice award winners (V.I.Ps)	
	10th October	17th October	10th October	17th October
Reception ((Miss Keegan))	Nellie & Nikita	Joud & Zavyaar	Sebastian	Britsefe
Year 1 (Miss Kay)	Boris & Aisha	Sabriya & Itaza	Carson	Luke
Year 2 (Miss Brindle)	Nana & Lula	Lochlan & Hassan	Scarlett	Praise
Year 3 (Mr Eccles)	Olivia & Mia	Isaac & Texas	Aliza	Lexi-Lou
Year 4 (Miss Bateson)	Lexi-Grace & Chimamanda	Emily & Devon	Asma	Blanka
Year 5 (Mrs Moss)	Oscar & Lola	Beatrix & Dylilah	Chimbueze	Ibrahim
Year 6 (Miss Cornall)	Layla & Richelle	Paige M & Sophie	Avery	Bruno

Kind Regards,

K. Harrison

Mrs. K Harrison

Headteacher