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**Friday 7th November
2025**

Headteacher: Mrs Kelly Harrison

Deputy Headteacher:



Welcome back everyone! I hope you had a wonderful break and are feeling refreshed and ready for a new term. The school is buzzing with excitement, and we are looking forward to all of the fantastic learning and fun that the term ahead will bring. This is a very busy time, so please keep an eye on the school calendar and newsletter for all important dates and events.

As always, our door is always open, so please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or just want to say hello.

Mrs Harrison



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EVERY DAY IS AN OPEN DAY

Selecting the right school for your child is one of the most important decisions you will ever make. To help you with this, we would like to invite you and your child into our school to discover what is truly special about our school and the education we provide.

Our informal guided tours take place during a normal school day, so you can meet our wonderful staff and children. Our Headteacher will take great pride in showing you around, giving you the greatest opportunity to see a school day in action.

**'Here children are able to flourish'
SIAMS - October 2025**



**We are good in all 5 areas
Ofsted - Feb 2025.**



**To book a personal tour please contact the
school office - 01254 53148 or email
staooffice@cidari.co.uk**

Norfolk Street
Mill Hill
Blackburn
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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.



Ambassadors club

Unfortunately due to staffing issues the school ambassadors club will **NOT** be running next week 11th November but will continue next week 18th November and the ambassadors will be visiting the local nursing home.





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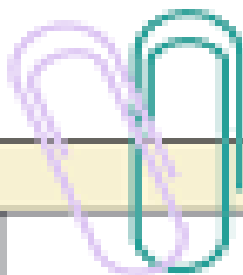
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Dates for the Diary

w/c Monday 10th November:- Inter-faith week&Anti Bullying week,
Odd sock day.

Tuesday 11th November- Remembrance worship-Year 6

Friday 14th November- Children in need day

w/c Monday 24th November:-Assessment week, inc phonics and
know it week

w/c Monday 1st December:-Last week for after school clubs

Monday 1st December:- School Christmas panto trip

Friday 12th December:-Snowball Disco

Wednesday 10th December:-Infant nativity

Thursday 11th December:-Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner
day

Thursday 18th December:-Christmas parties

Friday 19th December:- Christmas carols in church am,
school closes at 1:15pm



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Monday 10th November

Odd Socks Day is Coming! Get ready to celebrate individuality and uniqueness at St Aidan's! On Monday 10th November, we're having Odd Socks Day. Encourage your child to come to school wearing their wackiest, most mismatched socks! Let's have some fun and spread the message of acceptance and diversity!





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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%	92%	98%	98%



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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)
	7th November	7th November
Reception ((Miss Keegan))	Daniel & Mercedes	David
Year 1 (Miss Kay)	Aisha & Dominic	Iremide
Year 2 (Miss Brindle)	Lola & Lula	Grace
Year 3 (Mr Eccles)	Rylie & JJ	Theo
Year 4 (Miss Bateson)	Luella & Alana	Alma
Year 5 (Mrs Moss)	Hammad & Jessica	Layla K
Year 6 (Miss Cornall)	Lucas & Ahmad	Huriyah

Kind Regards,

K. Harrison

Mrs. K Harrison

Headteacher



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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 96.4%

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



Weekly Attendance

REC	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
95.56%	100%	89.17%	91.67%	94.25%	98.77%	98.85%

Weekly Lates

REC	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
6	1	3	5	3	5	4



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Christmas Pantomime 2025—Snow White

Only 3 weeks away!

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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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**

**Call or email
to find out
more**



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**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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