



# ST JOHN'S C OF E PRIMARY

This term our children & staff have been very busy! Reception children had a lovely visit from the Hedgehog Sanctuary and also visited Central Library. A Christmas Craft morning also took place for parents & Reception children. Y1 and 2 also walked to the library to take part in a Christmas Workshop. Y1 visited Stanley Park to make some art sculptures in the style of Andrew Goldsworthy as part of Art and DT; Y2 had a visit from the Imam as part of their R.E. Topic; visited Grundy Art Gallery; raised over £500 for the Bible Society from a sponsored walk and took part in a Christmas Journey workshop. Y3 ventured underground at White Scar Caves to learn all about Stalagmites and Stalactites; visited Stanley Park to carry out science investigations & Y3 & Y4 walked to the Library to change their books. Y4 visited a very muddy Rock Gardens as part of their Science work; took part in a Strictly Come Dancing session; visited The Grundy Art Gallery and The Synagogue as part of RE. Y5 had an author visit at the Grand Theatre followed by a writing workshop, went to the Library and took part in a money workshop with Barclays Bank. Y6 have had a hectic term with a library visit; a Road Safety Talk from the Fire Station's Green Watch; a trip to The Cenotaph; a visit to Stannah as part of their science fieldwork; a visit from an author; a trip to UCLAN and they also took part in the Barclays money workshop. Y6 also visited the Imperial War Museum last week as part of this term's topic on WW1. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work putting together trips and visits and organising workshops for the children to enjoy.



We would like to wish our St John's families and Very Merry Christmas and a Peaceful and Joyous New Year.

Take time for some fun, love and laughter, we will see you in January!



### Contacting School

Email: [admin@st-john.blackpool.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-john.blackpool.sch.uk)  
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A huge well done to Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 for their amazing Nativity performance of 'Snuggle Up Stable'. It was truly magical.

A massive thank you to Year 5 who will be ending our year by leading our Christmas Church Service at 11am on Dec 20<sup>th</sup>. All welcome.

**PE kits:** We still have a number of children who do not have a PE kit in school. Please ensure for next term that your child has a full **NAMED** PE kit consisting of black PE pumps, white T Shirt & black Shorts. PE is an important part of the curriculum & we want all of the children to take part.

### Reporting an Absence

All absences **must be** reported to school by filling in the Absence Form on Parent App., or calling or emailing school (details above).

Absences should be evidenced **IF** possible by providing an appointment card or letter, by providing evidence of prescribed medication or a receipt for over the counter medication purchased.



### Reception Admissions 2025:

Do you have a child who will be **4 years old** before **1<sup>st</sup> September 2025**? If you do, or know anyone that does, please make sure you fill in a primary school admission form before **January 15<sup>th</sup> 2025**. You can apply online at [www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

School Closes for Christmas Half Term on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm.**

School re-opens on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

After school club will run until 4.30pm on Friday.



### Happy Feet

Well done to all the children who performed in the Dance Festival at The Winter Gardens. You were A-MAZ-ING! and we are very proud of you.

### Christmas Choir

Well done also to the children who sang in church at the Family Carol Service on Sunday morning. You certainly brought Christmas to us all!

### Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding issues, please report to Mrs Galloway or Mrs Taylor.

*May the joy of the angels,  
The eagerness of the shepherds,  
The perseverance of the wise men,  
The obedience of Mary and Joseph,  
And the peace of the Christ Child  
Be ours this Christmas. Amen.*



### In the Know

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Website - [stjohnsblackpool.co.uk](http://stjohnsblackpool.co.uk)

Letters & other school info

Parent App - Download from the App Store & follow the link sent via SMS from school. (Contact the school office if any problems)

Reporting Absences & to receive direct messages from school.

### And finally.....

Thank you for all your donations this half term, together we have helped raise funds for:

Royal British Legion  
Children in Need  
Bible Society  
Hedgehog Rescue  
Blackpool Food Bank

**Follow the Golden Rule: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.**

**Be Kind**

**Be Forgiving**

**Be a Good Friend**

**Be Honest**

**Love One Another**



**Be part of our St John's family**

