

St Silas Newsletter 14/2/2025

Happy Half Term!

School closes at 3.10 pm to day for 1 week. We hope you have a lovely break and look forward to seeing you again on Monday 24th February at 8.40 am.

Upcoming Events

14th February24th February24th February

School Closes for Half Term School re-opens Parents Evening





Years 3, 4, and 5 have really enjoyed their outdoor adventure activities at Hothersall Lodge this week. The weather was really cold but this didn't stop our children from making the most of the opportunity given to them. Well done to all of them!





Ladies Night at St Silas

Thank you to everyone who came to our Ladies Night this week and made it a great success! We raised £392 which will go towards some road safety signs.





Scholastic Book Fair

Thanks to everyone who supported the Book Fair this week. Your purchases gave us £181 worth of new books for our school library.





Poetry Competition

The Grand Final is here!

Monday 10th February 2025

9am in the school hall

Tea and coffee available afterwards

The winners from the class performances this week will perform their poem again and a winner from each class will go forward to the Blackburn with Darwen Poetry by Heart Event in June. Please come and support your children!

Special performance by KS1 as they have learnt a poem to be performed as a group by heart.





Let's Talk About Rubbish!

Welcome to Let's talk about rubbish!

Come join us at **St Silas C E Primary School** for a women only interactive event where we'll dive into the world of waste management. Let's have an impactful honest conversation about everything to do with rubbish, from recycling to enforcement to make a positive impact on our community . Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect with like-minded women in the New Bank Road area of Blackburn to make a difference.

Tuesday 25th February from 5 pm to 7 pm

To book your place please copy and paste the link below

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lets-talk-about-rubbish-tickets-1237389999799?aff=oddtdtcreator



Friday Celebration Assemblies

Friday Celebration
Assemblies
8.50am in the
school hall
Drinks in the dining room
afterwards

Assemblies

It is always lovely to welcome parents to our Friday celebration assemblies. If your child is receiving a Star Learner Award you should receive a text message the day before inviting you. All parents are welcome to the assembly whether their child is winning an award or not. There will coffee/tea/juice in the dining hall afterwards for parents. If your child has been awarded the Star Learner Award they can join you for a drink. If we are in church there is no assembly in school but you are welcome to church.



St Silas News

Latest News



Year 4 Gymnastics
Look at our amazing Year 4 gymnasts.



Science in Year 1

Year I have been learning about solid objects. We learnt the properties; twist, bend, stretch and bend. We use visuals to help us learn scientific words.



Care Home Tea Party

Alder class have a class campaign about loneliness in the elderly. A part of their campaign they invited our local care home for afternoon tea. Our children enjoyed talking to our visitors, playing games with them and reading them a story.

Our website has lots of news from across our school. Your child's teachers regularly add photographs of trips and lessons.

These news items can be found on our website:

https://stsilasprimary.co.uk/news

Please do look and enjoy.



Stay and Play



Come along to our free Stay and Play sessions every Tuesday morning from 9 am to 10 am in term time. There are lots of fun activities for you and your child.



Children's University



HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

If you have signed your child up to any of the activities please check the confirmation email for all the details. Please note reminders are not always sent next week again for each activity. The confirmation email gives you all the information you need to know.

BLACKBURN TOWN CENTRE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Please see the link (https://bit.ly/FebMarketFlyer25) for a copy of all the different free activities which are taking place in the town centre over the holidays. This includes places like Blackburn Library, Blackburn Market and Blackburn Museum. Please remember if your child is a member of Blackburn Children's University and they attend any of these to pick up a slip so they can collect a stamp in their passport. Please note at Blackburn Museum you can also get their passport stamped there instead. If for any reason there are no slips available please drop Sara Burton a message on 0780592996

FEBRUARY HALF TERM CHALLENGES

A copy of these challenges from Blackburn Children's University have been sent out. If your child completes any over the holidays please ensure you send the evidence to Sara Burton via s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk or 07805929965. You must still remember to send your child's CU passport in to school so it can be updated after the holidays. If you prefer you can send the evidence of the challenges into school together with your child's CU passport so it can be checked and updated after the holidays.

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE FESTIVALS BOOK AWARDS

Does your child love to read? Would they like to be a judge for the Children's Literature Festivals Book Awards? We are working in partnership with Blackburn with Darwen Library Service and looking for children from years 1-6 to be judges for this award. This would involve them reading as many books as they can over the next 3 months. Once they have read a book they would

have to complete a review sheet. They will also be able to collect hours for Children's University!

Please see the email sent earlier this week with more details on. If you would like to register your

child to take part in the Children's Literature Festivals Book Awards please complete this short online form: https://bit.ly/ChildrenLitFestival25. Those who have already registered have been issued with their first book. If you register now your child will be given their first book after half term.

BLACKBURN CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY GRADUATION - SAVE THE DATE

Blackburn Children's University Graduation will be taking place this year on Saturday 12th July 2025. Please save the date!

NO SCHOOL CLUBS - MONDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

Please note that due to it being Parent's Evening on the first Monday back after the holidays on Monday 24th February there will be no after school clubs. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.



SAM Star Learners

Hawthorn: Ayaan Hazel: Yousaf

Hornbeam: Ibrahim Birch: Daniella

Alder: Sana Willow: Aleesha

Beech: Shabib Cherry: Emaan

Elder: Eleora Oak: Rumaisa

Rowan: Ameera Elm: Muhammad

Beehive N/A Ash: Brooklyn



Attendance week ending 14/2/25

This Week's Attendance

Congratulations to Alder class with 98.71% attendance.

Hawthorn had 98.28% attendance and

Willow had 96.28% attendance



If your child is absent from school you MUST ring the school office to let them know.

It is important that your child is in school by 8.40 am and they must be picked up at 3.10 pm every day.

Please note holidays are not authorised. If your child misses more than 5 days in school due to a holiday you are likely to be fined. If you are considering taking a holiday please book a meeting with the headteacher



Family Point Winners week ending 14/2/25

Family Point Winners

The winning family this week is **THANKFULNESS** with 167 points.

Belonging had 148 points,

Love had 146 points,

Service had 142 points,





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Website - please copy this link into your browser https://www.stsilasprimary.co.uk/



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Please follow our Twitter account.

http s://twitter.com/ to keep up to date with events in our school.