



St Silas Newsletter 17/7/26



Upcoming Events

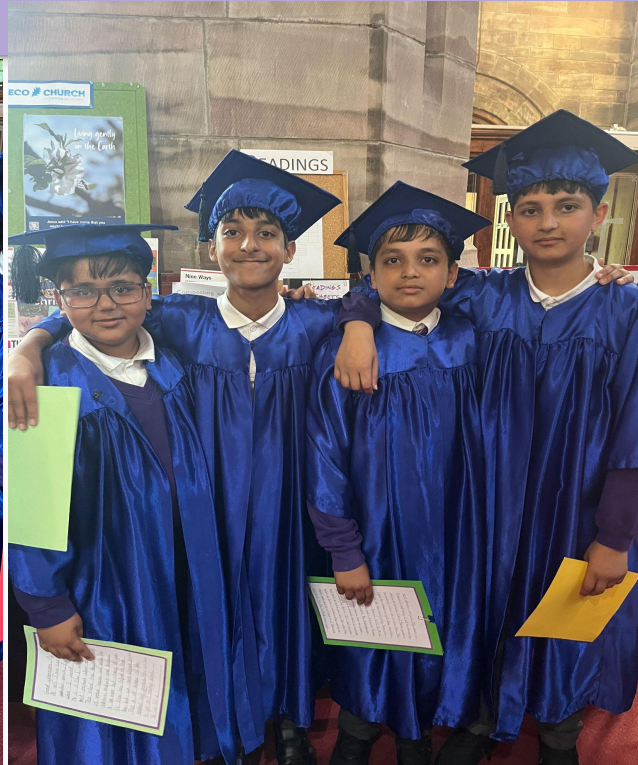
17th July	School Closes for Summer at 3.10 pm
2nd September	School Re-opens 8.30 am
28th September	Flu Vaccinations
2nd October	Road Safety Awareness Y1 and Y2
9th October	Road Safety Awareness Y 3 and Y4
21st October	School Photos (Tempest)
22nd October	School closes for half term
2nd November	School re-opens

Summer Holidays



As we finish for the school holidays we would like to wish all our pupils and their families a wonderful summer break. We look forward to seeing you all again refreshed and ready for a busy new term in September

Year 6 Graduation Pictures



Bouncy Castle

As an end of year treat to all our pupils this year we hired a bouncy castle for them all to use. Each class had great fun and burned off lots of energy while bouncing around!



Parentpay Reminder

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Please can all parents check ParentPay for any outstanding payments, including lunches.

There's lots of trips and events for which payments are outstanding, including The Farm, Formby Beach and the Y6 Cinema Trip.



School Uniform Reminder

School uniform is a white polo shirt, grey skirt or trousers and purple sweatshirt or cardigan with black shoes/black trainers. PE kit is white t-shirt, black joggers, or shorts and trainers or plimsolls/pumps. We do not allow earrings, however ear studs are permitted.

Girls can start to wear the summer gingham dresses if they like.

We have plenty of pre-loved uniform in school, if you need any.



Communications from School

From September we will only be using Arbor to send messages to parents. To view your messages, you will need to download the app on your phone so that you can view all notifications about your child. If you haven't had an email from Arbor to register please let us know in the office



Holidays and Attendance

A reminder that **holidays will not be authorised** if taken during term time.

Any holidays taken for five or more days **will** incur a fine from the Local Authority. Please note that this money does not come to school

Please come and see Mrs Rehana Patel to discuss any holidays **before** you book a holiday.

We are finding that a lot of children are arriving late and/or are not being picked up on time at the end of the day.

School starts at **8:40am** - the school gates open at 8:30 to allow time for your child to make their way into class. School finishes at 3:10. Failure to pick your child up on time will result in your child being enrolled onto our after school club and a charge will be applied.

We have breakfast club from 7:45 if needed.



St Silas News

Latest News



Year 4 Gymnastics

Look at our amazing Year 4 gymnasts.



Science in Year 1

Year 1 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 is constantly being updated and 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.

Don't forget our Instagram page



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BLACKBURN CU SUMMER HOLIDAY CHALLENGES

These have been sent out. If your child completes any of them 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. If you prefer you can send the evidence of the challenges into school together with your child's CU passport.

BLACKBURN CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY – NEW MEMBERS

If your child is going into year 1 in September and they would like to join Blackburn CU, there will be a sign up when we return in September. If they do complete the summer reading challenge or attend any activities please keep a note and we will add hours on when they join. Children from other year groups who are not currently members can also join then too!

BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN LIBRARIES SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Please see the link

(<https://tinyurl.com/BwDLibrariesSummer26>) for the booklet detailing all the summer holiday activities at Blackburn with Darwen Libraries. If your child attends any of these activities and they are a member of Blackburn Children's University please remember to pick up a slip to show you have attended. Remember to send this to school with your child's CU passport after the holidays.

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ACTIVE PASSPORT

The Health and Wellbeing team have produced an active passport for over the summer holidays. Active Passports are FREE and 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 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.

If your child is a member of Blackburn Children's University they can also collect stamps in their CU passports 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-season/s/>

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CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORTS

Please note if you have handed your child's passport in to be updated this term all passports **were returned**. Please do look out for them as no responsibility will be held by the school now they have been returned.

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND TRIPS

If you have signed your child or family up to any of the summer holiday activities or trips please make sure you know when and where they are taking place as additional reminders are not always sent. Please see your confirmation email for all the details. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Sara Burton on 07805929965 (please leave a message if there is no answer).

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE – BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN LIBRARIES

Details have been sent out about the Summer Reading Challenge taking place over the summer at Blackburn with Darwen libraries. If your child is a member of Blackburn Children's University and completes this challenge please remember to bring their certificate and their passport to school in September so it can be stamped with 6 hours for completing. The challenge started this week. Pop down to your nearest library to sign up.

TESCO STRONGER STARTS – BLACKBURN CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY – LAST CHANCE TO VOTE

Please remember to pick up a token and vote if you visit a Tesco store! Blackburn Children's University have been successful for the Tesco Stronger Starts Scheme and have been put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores (Blackburn Superstore, Bank Top, Roe Lee, Livesey and Darwen Express). The voting is to help fund Blackburn CU holiday activities including cooking as well as a variety of sport and wellbeing activities so children can have fun and learn new skills. Voting ends at the end of July.



SAM Star

Hawthorn: **Yahya**

Hornbeam: **Aya**

Alder **Humaira**

Beech **Haroon**

Rowan: **Azhaan**

Hazel: **Fahm and Huzaifa**

Birch: **Azeezah**

Willow: **Ahmed**

Cherry: **Inabiya**

Oak: **Aiman**

Ash: **Uzair**

Rainbow: **All Rainbow children**



Attendance week ending 17/7/26

This Week's Attendance

Congratulations to **Hazel class** with 96.9% attendance

Hornbeam had 94.67%

Alder had 94.12%



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 5 days or more 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 17/7/26

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The winning family this half term is **Service**
with 10871 points.

Love had 10141 points

Thankfulness had 10131 points,

Belonging had 10060 points



Family Point Winners

Family	Week1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Totals
Belonging		2355	2026	1643	2014	1737	285	10060
Love		3158	1534	2259	1722	1303	165	10141
Service		2838	1612	1793	2336	1998	240	10817
Thankfulness		2898	1934	2491	1439	1159	210	10131

