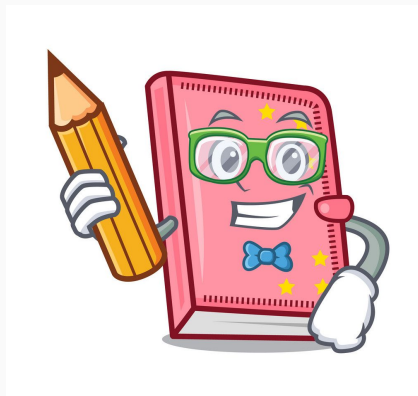




St Silas Newsletter 24/4/26



Upcoming Events

29th April

One Ocean School Assembly

30th April

Rowan Class Assembly

4th May

May Day Bank Holiday

5th May

School closed for INSET

13th May

Online safety day

20th May

Shakespeare Day

22nd May

School closes for half term



Easy Fundraising



Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising free donations for St Silas CE Primary School with **easyfundraising**? There are over 8,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation - including eBay, Argos, John Lewis & Partners, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S - and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds. All you need to do is:

1. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-silas-ce-primary-school/> and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to **easyfundraising** first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to St Silas CE Primary School at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and St Silas CE Primary School will be really grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support.

The After School Club @ St Silas

Our After School Club is open every day until 5.45 pm. If you want to make a booking please contact the school office



Fun activities for your child with our experienced and friendly staff

From 3.15 pm - 5.45 pm daily
£7 per child per session



To book please contact the school office on **01254 698447** or email: stsoffice@cidari.co.uk

Healthy Young Minds

Please find below the links to The Healthy Young Minds Website from NHS Lancashire & South Cumbria ICB.

<https://www.healthyyoungmindslsc.co.uk/information/children-and-young-people>

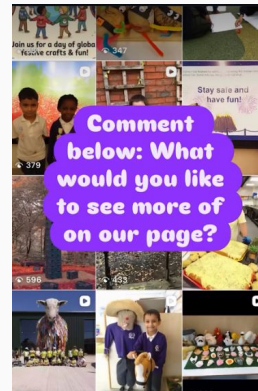
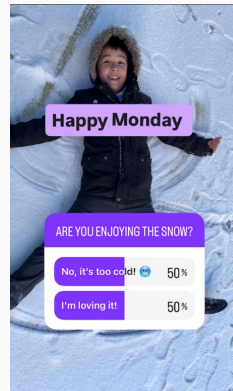
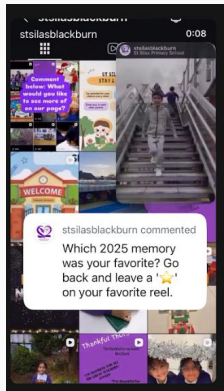
<https://www.healthyyoungmindslsc.co.uk/our-work/mental-health-support-teams>

Instagram



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Follow us on Instagram to keep up to date school news and events. You can also see weekly posts showing what we have been doing that week.



@STSILASBLACKBURN

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.

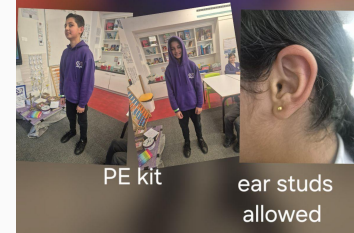
Girls can start to wear the summer gingham dresses if they like.

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



PE kit

school uniform
girls may wear trousers



PE kit

ear studs
allowed

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



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Year 4 Gymnastics

Look at our amazing Year 4 gymnasts.



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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.



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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.

Childrens University



SCHOOL CLUBS

All children who have signed up to any clubs should have received a confirmation letter through their class. Please ensure you do look out for this so you can check what clubs your child has signed up to as well as any additional information there may be. All clubs start next week on Monday 27th April 2026. If you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to contact Sara Burton on 07805929965 (if there is no answer please do leave a message).

EASTER HOLIDAY CHALLENGES

If your child has completed any of the CU Challenges 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 so it can be checked and updated. The deadline for this is **next Friday 1st May**.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

A letter will be going out next week about a weekend cooking activity in May. This will be for children in year 1 – 6. There will also be a themed Football World Cup activity in June and letters for this will be sent out nearer the time. Information is sent via the school text and email system, so please do keep an eye out.

WOMEN'S ONLY FITNESS CLASSES

There will be another block of Women's only fitness classes starting after half term. Letters will be sent out next week with further information and how to sign up.

Childrens University



TESCO STRONGER STARTS – BLACKBURN CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY VOTE

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). Voting will be in stores from NEXT Tuesday 28th April and will continue until the end of July 2026. 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. Please look out for this if you visit any stores and pick up a token to cast your vote!

BLACKBURN CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY GRADUATION – SAVE THE DATE

Please note Blackburn Children's University will be holding their annual graduation on Saturday 11th July 2026. Please pop the date in your diaries. Further details on hours, certificates and times will be sent out in early June. If your child attends any external clubs or activities please note the deadline for hours will be the first week back after May half term.

GYMFINITY KIDS

Gymfinity Kids is now a Learning Destination for Blackburn Children's University. This means Children's University members can collect stamps in their passport for attending classes. Please take your child's passport to the class for it to be stamped. Please remember once it is stamped to hand it in to school so it can be recorded.

Gymfinity Kids takes place at St Bede's High School. They offer both gymnastics and Ninja classes. For further information and to book a free taster please visit their website:

<https://www.gymfinitykids.com/club/blackburn/>



SAM Star Learners

Hawthorn:

Mahnur

Birch:

Ayman

Hornbeam:

Tamim

Willow:

Zainab

Alder:

Ameera

Cherry:

Leena

Beech:

Hassan

Sports Star Subhan

Oak:

Muhammed

Rowan:

Hussain

Ash:

Haider

Hazel:

Aisha

Sports Star Amatullah

Beehive

Lia



Attendance week ending 24/4/26

This Week's Attendance

Congratulations to **Oak class** with 99.55% attendance

Alder had 97.14%

Birch had 96.47%



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 24/4/26

Family Point Winners

The winning family this week is **Belonging**
with 2209 points.

Love had 1954 points

Service had 1605 points,

Thankfulness had 1465 points



Family Point Winners week ending 24/4/26

Family	Week 1	Week 2	Total
Belonging	1168	2209	3377
Love	736	1954	2690
Thankfulness	948	1465	2413
Service	1133	1605	2738

