

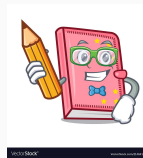


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After a busy week of assessments across the school the children are now looking forward to the Christmas festivities. Christmas jumpers, party clothes etc can be worn on 18th December. Please note school finishes at 1.30pm on Friday 20th December.

Upcoming Events

11th December	Years 1 and 2 Museum Trip
12th December	Years 5 and 6 Girls - High 5
17th December	EYFS Nativity
18th December	Christmas Lunches
18th December	Class Christmas Parties
20th December	Christmas Church Assembly
20th December	School closes for Christmas
6th January	School re-opens





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.



Nativity

EYFS Nativity Performance



The reception class nativity performance takes place on Tuesday 17th December at 9.15 am. All parents are welcome to attend



Admissions

There is still time to apply for a reception place at St Silas for September 2025

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, they are due to start primary school in September 2025.

The deadline to apply is 15 January 2025.

This is the link to apply online:

<https://www.blackburn.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-primary-or-junior-school>

If you need any help please ask the school office. We are more than happy to help.



St Silas News

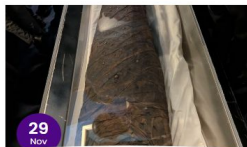
Latest News



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Dec

Year 2 RE and PSHE

Year 2 have really enjoyed learning all about angels and how they bring us good news. We have learnt about Elizabeth and Zechariah and Mary and Joseph. We role played the story to see how Mary and Joseph would feel hearing the news they were going to have a baby! In PSHE Year 2 have been looking at belonging and how we all belong to different groups. We have been comparing our families and how they are all different but all filled with love! Look at our wonderful houses we made with our families inside.



29
Nov

Lower KS2 Blackburn Museum Ancient Egyptians

Lower Key Stage 2 have been learning about Ancient civilisations, focusing on Ancient Egyptians, this term. They have visited Blackburn museum. They were able to look at and hold artefacts to help them learn more.



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Nov

RE in Year 1

Year 1 children did some role play in RE today. They acted out when Angel Gabriel came to visit Mary. They used Widgets to help them sequence their acting.

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.



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Children's University

FESTIVAL OF LIGHT – LANTERN MAKING WORKSHOPS

The Festival of Light is happening again this year on Saturday 14th December. In the run up to this there are some lantern making workshops taking place. They are taking place on the following Saturday's from 12pm to 3pm. They are on 30th November and 7th December and are being held at The Bureau Centre for the Arts, Exchange Street, Blackburn, BB 1 7JN. The cost is either £3 / £5 / £8 per person which you can select at the time of booking. To book a place please go to: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/blackburn-festival-of-light> or alternatively you can just turn up. Children's University members can collect a stamp in their CU passport for attending, just remember to ask when you go. If you are given a slip please remember to hand this into school with your child's CU passport. Alternatively please drop Sara Burton a message on 07805929965.

SCHOOL CLUBS AND CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORTS

Please note all school clubs finish NEXT week (week ending Friday 6th December). If your child is a member of Blackburn Children's University please make sure their passport is handed in by Wednesday 11th December.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT PACKS

Please look out for an email early next week about a Christmas Craft pack you can order for your child.





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SAM Star Learners

Hawthorn: Aisha	Sports Star: Fatima P.
Hornbeam: Zahra A	Sports Star: Humaira K
Alder: Yousef F	Sports Star: Muhammad Hasnain
Beech: Saira	Sports Star:
Elder: Anastasia	Sports Star:
Rowan : Mohammed K	Sports Star:
Beehive: N/A this week	

Hazel: Ummul	Sports Star:
Birch: Hamza	Sports Star:
Willow: Asma	Sports Star:
Cherry: Ayman	Sports Star:
Oak: Inabiya	Sports Star:
Elm: Muhammad	Sports Star:
Ash: Zahra K	Sports Star:



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This Week's Attendance

Congratulations to Alder and Birch classes with 96.8% attendance.

Hornbeam and Elder were close behind with 96.7% attendance.



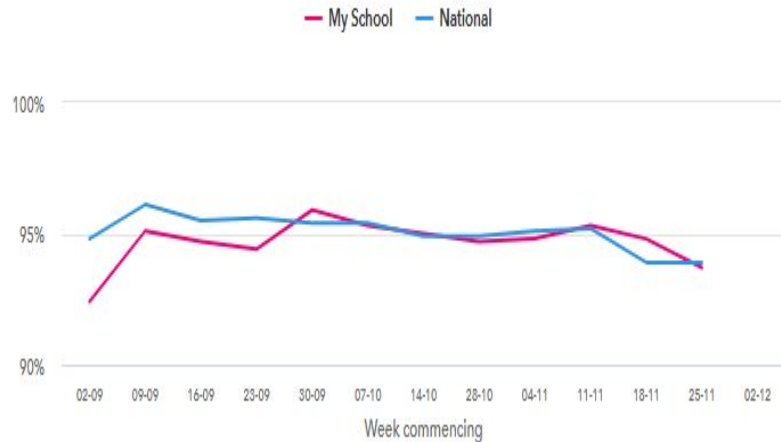
If your child is absent from school you **MUST** ring the school office to let them know.

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.

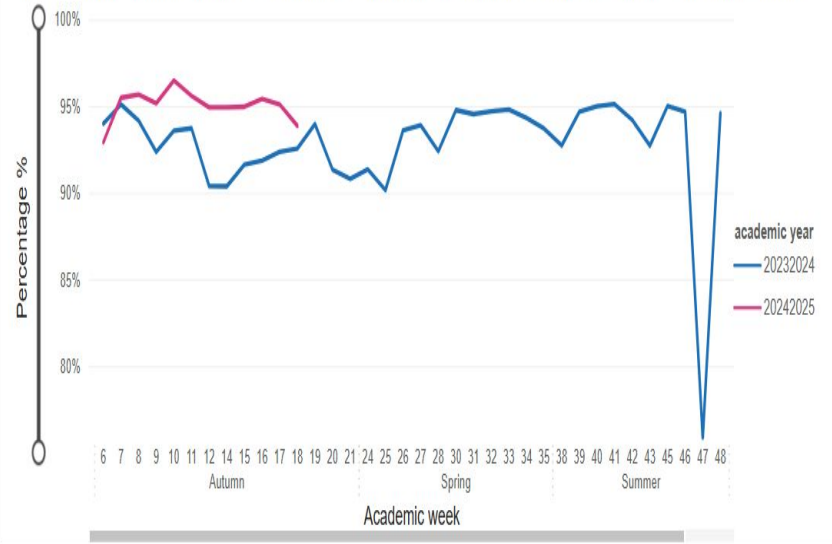
Please note holidays are not authorised. If your child misses more than 5 days in school due to a holiday you are likely to be fined. If you are considering taking a holiday please book a meeting with the headteacher

Thank you to parents for helping to improve our attendance. It will help your children learn and be happy.

AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE · 2024-25



Graph showing year-to-date and previous academic year attendance for your school. Use the slider on the left to zoom in and out.





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Family Point Winners

The winning family this week is Belonging
with 183 points

Love had 119 had points

Service had 114 points and

Thankfulness had 112 points

Well done to Belonging.





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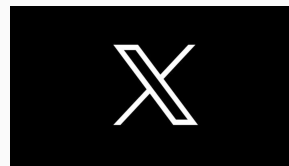
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