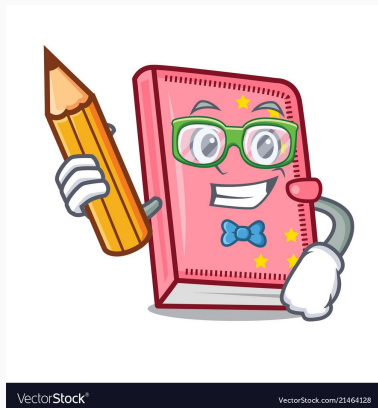




St Silas Newsletter 6/6/2025



Upcoming Events

11th June	Y4/5/6 Visit to Blackburn Library
11th June	Year 4 visit to church
11th June	Year 1 Singing Event at Wensley Fold
12th June	Hazel Class Singing Event at St. Silas Church
17th June	Fr Paul visit to EYFS
19th June	Great Athletes Fitness Session
19th June	KS1 & EYFS Sports day 1.20 pm
20th June	KS2 Sports day 9.30 am
20th June	Year 6 Fire Safety Talk
24th June	Year 5 trip to Science Museum
9th July	Community Day Event
11th July	EYFS Farm Visit
16th July	Year 6 Graduation in St Silas Church (4pm)
18th July	School Closes for Summer



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 and carers 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.

School Uniform Reminder

School uniform is a white polo shirt, grey skirt or trousers and purple sweatshirt or cardigan with black shoes.

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



Holidays and Attendance

A reminder that **no holidays will 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**

A reminder that we have breakfast club from 7:45 if needed.

SEND Inclusion Day 2025

Blackburn with Darwen are hosting a SEND inclusion day at the Grand Venue in Blackburn on 19th June for children and adults with special needs or disabilities. No need to book



Great Athletes Event 19th June

We are thrilled to be able to share some more information about our upcoming Great Athletes event. We are excited to announce that the athlete who will be visiting us will be **Antony Cotterill!**

On Thursday 19th June, all pupils will take part in a sponsored fitness circuit run by their athlete, a terrific way to get all children excited about sport and realise that getting moving is really fun! Their athlete will then share their incredible sporting journey, a story of resilience and determination in a fun and interactive assembly. There will also be an opportunity to ask any burning questions in a Q&A session with their inspiring role-model at the end!

Fundraising for the event will begin next week when the children will be bringing home a sponsorship form. The money raised for the event will help us to purchase new sports equipment and improve levels of physical activity in our school!



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 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.

School Sports Days

Due to the recent bad weather, the sports days have been rearranged as follows

Reception & KS1 Sports Day will take place on Thursday 19th June 2025 (1.20 pm start).

KS2 Sports Day will take place on Friday 20th June 2025 (9.30 am start).

Both Sports Days will take place at East Lancs Cricket Club.

All parents are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!



Warm Weather Suggestions

Now that the warmer weather is with us it is important that your child brings a water bottle with them to be able to hydrate as much as possible. They can top up their bottles in the classroom. Please also make sure that your child has sunscreen and a hat with them for protection from the sun.





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



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY HOURS FOR GRADUATION

Please note that we are now calculating all Children's University hours ready for Graduation in July. If your child does any external activities such as Scouts, Youth Action or Swimming lessons please do ensure their passports have been stamped and are up to date. If they have been stamped please hand them into school. The cut off for passports for external hours will be 9am **THIS Monday 9th June**. Any passports handed in after this will be stamped, but the hours will be carried over to next year. Please look out for a letter over the next couple of weeks indicating the hours your child has for Children's University. If children are near to an award we will look at whether they are doing clubs this term and also handing in their passport regularly for these. We will not be stamping for clubs this term yet as this will be done once school clubs have finished for the term.

LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

Blackburn Library as part of the Children's Literacy Festivals will be hosting a storytelling performance by **Gav Cross** of his **Tell Tale Twit** show on **Saturday 14th June**. Darwen Library Theatre will also be hosting a show by **Wrongsemble** of their adaptation of Bethan Woollvin's **Three Little Vikings** on **Saturday 21st June**. Both shows will start at **11am and 2pm** on both dates, and **free** tickets are available from the relevant library or by booking online at <https://spotonlancashire.co.uk/event-type/venue>.

Advance booking for each venue is strongly advised to ensure that there is adequate seating available.

If your child attends either of these and they are a member of Blackburn Children's University please remember to pick up a slip at the event and hand it in with their CU passport to school. If for any reason slips are not available please drop Sara Burton a message on 07805929965.



Children's University



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY MAY HALF TERM CHALLENGES

If your child has completed any of these CU Challenges over the holidays please ensure you send the evidence to Sara Burton on 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. Please note if you would like these hours to be included for graduation this time please ensure you have sent the evidence in and handed their passport in by 9am **THIS Monday 9th June**. All hours stamped after this will be carried over to next year.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY CHILL FACTOR TRIP

If you have signed your child up to the Chill Factor trip at the end of June please look out for an email with further details and a link to the consent form which has been sent via the school email system. The deadline for completing the consent form is next Friday 13th June. If you have any questions or you have not received an email please contact Sara Burton straight away on 07805929965 (please leave a message if there is no answer).

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE FESTIVALS BOOK AWARDS

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in this. No more books will now be issued. If your child does have a book please ensure it is returned by **THIS Monday 9th June**. If your child is a member of Children's University and they have been taking part, please hand their CU passport into school so their hours for this can be added on. If you would like these hours to be included for graduation this time please hand their passport in by 9am **THIS Monday 9th June**.



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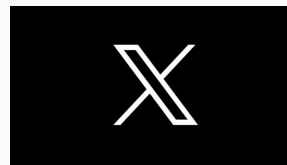
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