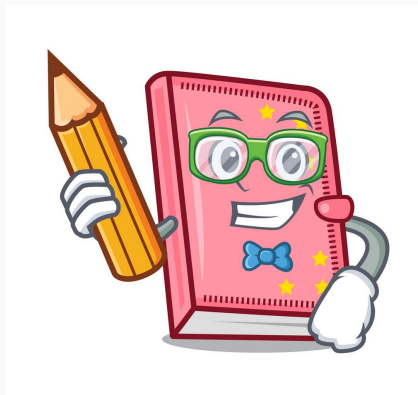




St Silas Newsletter 7/11/2025



Upcoming Events

11th November	Remembrance Assembly
12th November	Parent's Evening
13th November	Anti Bullying and Online Safety Day
14th November	School Photos
14th November	Interfaith service with Bishop Philip
20th November	Road Safety Talk Yr 1 and Yr 2
26th November	Year 3 and 4 Blackburn Museum Visit
17th December	Christmas Lunch and Christmas parties
19th December	Christmas Assembly in church 10:45
19th December	School closes for Christmas



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.



Year 5 Outdoor Elements Trip

The children enjoyed their day out at Outdoor Elements and the weather was very good to us. They took part in various activities such as the Leap of Faith, the Zip Line, Bread making and problems solving activities. This all contributed towards developing life skills.



Outdoor Elements





Year 4 Firework Safety

This week Year 4 have been learning about firework safety. We now know how to use sparklers safely!





Parents Evening

Your child will be bringing home an appointment slip today confirming the time of your parent's evening slot with your teacher. If you don't receive it, or you want to rearrange the slot please speak to the office.

A yellow sticky note is shown, slightly tilted. It has the handwritten text 'Don't forget parents evening!' in black ink. The note is set against a white background with a subtle shadow.



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 Photos

J S Photography will be coming in to take a photo of your child next Friday 14th November. If you want a photo of the siblings together, or as a family you will need to arrive at 8.30 am. You will be able to order the photos from the QR code that will be given to your child.





School Admissions 2026

There is still time to apply for a Secondary place for your year 6 child. The deadline is 31st October 2025.

The deadline for Primary School applications is 15th January 2026.

You must apply through Blackburn with Darwen council. Please copy and paste this link into your browser.

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



School Uniform Reminder

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

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 **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**

A reminder that 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 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



Our stay and play sessions have started again every Tuesday morning from 9 am to 10 am. We look to seeing you And your child For some fun play activities



Childrens University



OCTOBER HALF TERM 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, please hand to the school office. 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.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY – SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

There will be a CU activity for children in year 3 – 6 on Sunday 30th November. Further details will be sent out early next week, so please keep an eye out.

Children's University



BLACKBURN ROVERS FOOTBALL MATCH – 150th Anniversary

If you have signed your child up to the Blackburn Rovers V Derby match please note that this is taking place THIS Saturday. Please look out for the final details letter which has been emailed out via the school email system. This includes the final details on timings as well as which group your child is in. If you have not received this information and you have signed your child up please contact Sara Burton straight away on 07805929965 (please leave a message if there is no answer).

Alternatively if you did not sign your child up and you would like to attend the game you can do so with your family. You can purchase tickets directly from the club and be a part of the 150-year celebrations by attending the game, with ticket prices discounted across all age groups. Please see the details below:

Ticket Prices:

Adult - £18.75

Over 65 - £15

U23 - £15

U18 – £7.50

U12 - £1.50

You can buy tickets online (www.eticketing.co.uk/onerovers), by telephone (01254 372000), or in person at the Rovers Store (open 10am – 4pm).



SAM Star Learners

Hawthorn: **Simrah**

Hornbeam: **Aya**

Rowan: **Hameed**

Hazel: **Zeyad**

Birch: **Nabil**

Willow: **Naylaa**

Cherry: **Saad**

Oak: **Inaya**

Ash: **Umme-Hani**



Attendance week ending 7/11/25

This Week's Attendance

Congratulations to **Hornbeam class** with
96.77% attendance!

Hazel had 95.69% attendance

Hawthorn had 94.76% 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 7/11/25

Family Point Winners

The winning family this week is **LOVE** with 322 points.

Service had 307 points

Belonging had 299 points,

Thankfulness had 268 points





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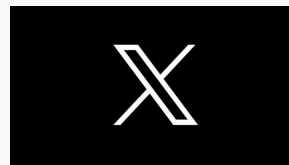
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Please follow our Twitter account.

<https://twitter.com/> to keep up to date with events in our school.