



St Silas

Church of England Primary Academy

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Holiday

School closes for the summer holidays on Friday at 3pm. The children return to school on Thursday 2nd September at 8.40am. (Please see the timings of the school day below.)

I hope you all have a wonderful holiday. I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for their support during this difficult time. You have all been amazing.

Staff News

Sadly we say goodbye to two of our teaching assistants :Mrs S. Patel and Mrs Malik. We wish them well in their future careers. We want to say a huge thank you for everything they have done for our children. Mrs Patel has worked for us for 14 years.

We welcome a new class teacher for Year 4 in September. She is called Mrs Khan.

Mrs Hargreaves will start her maternity leave during the holidays and by the time we return to school she should have her new baby. We wish her well.

School Day from September 21

Subject to the Covid restrictions in place in September, the school day will be as follows:

Start of the School Day

- Arrive between 8.30am-8.45am; official start of the day will be 8.40am and they will be late if they arrive after 8.45am
- The green gate will be opened at 8.30am and closed at 8.45am.
- Years 4, 5 and 6 will enter through the front doors.
- Years 1, 2, and 3 will enter through the green gates and go directly to their classroom.
- EYFS will enter via the blue door. Staff will greet them there.
- Children will enter all classrooms on the courtyard directly.
- No parents will enter the courtyard.

End of the School Day

- EYFS will leave at 3pm through the blue door.

- The green gate will open at 3pm.
- Year 4 will leave through the back doors at 3pm, sitting on the performance steps to wait for their parents.
- Year 5 will leave through the front doors at 3pm.
- Year 6 will leave through the front doors at 3.05pm.
- All other classes will leave via their classroom doors at 3.05pm. Parents will enter the courtyard to collect their children from the classroom door.

Lunchtimes

EYFS and KS1

- Eating 11.45am-12.15pm in the dining hall
- Playing out 12.15pm-12.45pm

Lower Key Stage 2

- Eating 12.15-12.45 in the dining hall
- Playing out 12.45-1.15

Upper Key Stage 2

- Eating 12.45pm-1.15pm in the dining hall
- Playing out 12.15pm-12.45pm

Playtimes

- KS1 10.15am-10.30am
- Lower KS2 10.30am-10.45am
- Upper KS 2 10.45am-11am
- KS1 Afternoon Playtime 1.45pm-2pm

School Uniform

From September **all** children need to wear the correct uniform. The jumpers with the badge are available from Whittakers on Church Street Blackburn. This is their website:

<https://www.whittakersschoolwear.co.uk>

Children will wear their PE kits to attend school on the days that they have PE or a sports club as we have found this has worked really well during COVID.

Please remember that from September children will need black school shoes. They can wear trainers on the day that they have PE.

If you have any uniform that is in good condition and you do not need it anymore, please consider donating to our school so that we can distribute it. It has been a difficult year for many of our families and I know they would really appreciate this. If you do wish to donate some uniform please bring the items to the school office. Thank you.

If you have any concerns about being able to afford a school uniform for September please contact our Family Worker, Mrs Rehana Patel.

Children's University

Congratulations to all the children who received certificates this morning in our outdoor graduation ceremony. The children have all done amazing work especially during the pandemic. Well done everyone for showing perseverance, determination and courage.

Summer Holiday Activities with Blackburn Children's University

Please note if you have signed your child up to any activities already you should have received an email or text with further details in the next couple of days. Please make sure you look out for this as further consent is needed. If you have any questions please contact Sara Burton on 07805929965

School Clubs

Please note school clubs have now finished.

BwD Safety Net Campaign

The BwD #SafetyNet campaign are running another virtual 'Online Safety for Parents / Carers' session if you missed the last one. This will be taking place next **Tuesday 13 July at 6pm**. It is being run by the NSPCC in partnership with [Blackburn Children's University](#), [Youth Action](#) and [Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council](#). To find out more information or to book your place please visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/161381541535>

Football Rebooted



If your child has grown out of their football boots and you wish them to be recycled please bring the boots to our schools and we will make sure the charity, Football Rebooted, receives them.

Summer Camp

Our Children's University activities over the summer are nearly full now but there are further opportunities for your children to join in with activities in our school building through the summer camp organised by YouthAction. It is free and lunch is included.

Sign up today at: <https://tinyurl.com/YASummer2021>

Governor

If you are interested in being a parent governor please see the Cidari website on https://www.cidarieducation.co.uk/governance/Academy_LGBs/being_a_governor. If you are interested please contact the school office before the end of term.

Dates for the Diary

- Year 6 graduation Wednesday 14th July
- School closes for the summer at 3pm on 16th July
- School opens on Thursday 2nd September.

Twitter

Please follow our Twitter account. https://twitter.com/StSilas_Primary to keep up to date with events in our school.



Loving God and each other, we work together to be the best that we can.