



St Silas

Church of England Primary Academy

A member of **CDARI**

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Author Visit

On Monday 20th May we are delighted to welcome Hafiz Issa, a children's author to our school to speak to our students. She has written a book called "Earmuffs to the Moon" which is a story about bravery, self-discovery, wonder and awe. It is a celebration of our majestic universe as seen through the eyes of Sara, an autistic girl who has dreams of shooting into space.

You can reserve your signed copy of Hafiza's book (with personalised message if you wish) by emailing HAMIS6PAVENU@hotmail.com.

The books cost £7.99 each and you can pay Hafiza directly into her bank

Hafiza Hakim

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Please write the name of the child(ren) that the book is dedicated to as the reference.

Rowan Class Charity
Rossendale Mountain Rescue
Mr Hadwin walking the Yorkshire Dales Three Peaks



The children in Rowan Class have chosen a charity to support this year. They have chosen the Mountain Rescue Service. Mountain Rescue is a life saving organisation that is essential to all those people who walk in the hills and countryside. The organisation means they are saving lives 24/7, 365 days a year.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/graeme-hadwin-1715949217666?newPage=true>

School Uniform



Please be reminded that children must wear the correct school uniform every day. Jogging bottoms and trainers are not acceptable clothing. Girls' hijabs must be either plain black or purple and for health and safety reasons must be a short length. PE uniform is black jogging bottoms and black trainers and must only be worn on PE day.

We have a large stock of free, pre-worn school uniforms so please contact the office if you need to replace your child's clothes.

Spare Swimming Kit



If you have any spare swimming costumes, trunks, shorts or towels that your child has outgrown, please donate them to school for use as spares.



Earrings During Sports Clubs and PE

Unfortunately, due to health and safety concerns, the wearing of ear studs during any school physical activity session is now prohibited. This is in line with our partners at Blackburn Swimming Baths and Blackburn Rovers Community Trust. Any child wearing ear studs will, from next week, not be allowed to take part in the physical activity sessions. We ask that parents/carers remove ear studs on the days when children are taking part in sports and physical activity.

GOLDEN BROOM AWARD



Every week the class that has been the cleanest and tidiest will be given the golden broom to keep in their classroom. This week the award goes to

ELDER Class

for having a neat and tidy classroom all week as well as having very polite children who speak nicely to the staff when they visit

Well done!



Children's University

MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAYS – SWIMMING POOL

If you have signed your child up to either the swimming lessons or water fun afternoons over the half term holidays please make sure you know when, where and the time of each activity. Check your email confirmation for information. If you have any questions please contact Sara Burton straight away on 07805929966. Please leave a message if there is no answer.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY TRIP – ANDERTON CENTRE

Please note if you have signed your child up to this trip that it is taking place THIS Saturday 18th May. Please check your emails with all the details (including your child's group and member of staff) and ensure your child brings everything on the kit list. Emails have been sent via the school email system. If you have any questions please contact Sara Burton straight away on 07805929966. Please leave a message if there is no answer. Please do not leave this until the morning of the trip.

CLUSTER SPORTS DAYS – YEARS 3 - 6

Please note that we will be having a cluster sports week straight after half term for children in key stage 2. These will be held in the afternoons from 1pm at Wensley Fold Primary Academy on the school field. Wensley Fold, St Silas and Sacred Heart will be taking part and parents / carers can come and watch. The dates are as follows, please pop them in your diary: -

Monday 3rd June – Year 6

Tuesday 4th June – Year 5

Wednesday 5th June – Year 4

Thursday 6th June – Year 3

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY HOURS FOR GRADUATION

Please note that after the half term holidays we will be calculating all Children's University hours ready for Graduation. 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. We will be asking for passports in for any external hours the first week back after the holidays, with the cut off being Friday 7th June. 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.

LET'S GET WEAVING AT BLACKBURN LIBRARY

If you've ever wanted to have a go at making your own wall hanging on a miniature loom, come along to this fun FREE event suitable for children age 5+ and their grown ups on Thursday 30th May at Blackburn Library (10 am - 12 pm). Entry will be by ticket, available from the library up to two weeks in advance and places are limited so advance booking is strongly recommended. If your child is a member of Blackburn Children's University do not forget to pick up a slip so their CU passport can be stamped when they are back at school.

This Week's Attendance



The winning class this week is **Birch** with **98%** attendance!!

Willow had **97.86%** and **Elder** had **96.67%** 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



Breakfast Club

Why not send your child to our Breakfast Club in the morning? They can take part in various activities and have their breakfast together before they go into class. They can come anytime from 7.45 and it only costs £1 a day. Please ring the school to book them in.

SAMS Star Learners

Class	SAM Star Learner	Sports Star
Hawthorn	Amina	
Hornbeam	Jack	
Beech	Hajra	
Alder	Abdurrahman	
Elder	Haroon	
Hazel	Samaira	
Rowan	Kiarad	
Birch	Nabiha	
Beehive	Zak	
Cherry	Urwa	
Willow	Muhammad B	Hannah and Hamza
Oak	Elaf	
Ash	Hanzalah	

Family Point Winners

The table below shows the winning families highlighted in yellow.

Congratulations to **SERVICE** with 210 points. Thankfulness had 177 points, Belonging had 142 points and Love had 141 points

Family/Week	19.4.24	26.4.24	3.5.24	10.5.24	17.5.24						
Belonging	3	4	3	4	3						
Love	4	3	4	3	4						
Service	1	1	1	1	1						
Thankfulness	2	2	2	2	2						



Dates for your Diary - Upcoming Events

20th May	Public Speaking Competition
20th May	Author Visit
21st May	Reception Class Height and Weight checks
21st May	Stay and Play
23rd May	Year 6 Fire Safety Talk
24th May	School Closes for Half Term
3rd June	School Re-opens

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

Website - please copy this link into your browser
<https://www.stsilasprimary.co.uk/>

Instagram



St Silas now has an Instagram account. Please follow us on:
<https://www.instagram.com/stsilasblackburn/>



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