



# St Silas

Church of England Primary Academy

A member of **CDARI**

## Newsletter 4th October 2024

### Harvest Festival



For this year's annual harvest we will be collecting food items to donate to the Blackburn Food bank. Please send your donations to school from Monday 7th October.



**Cashpot for Schools**

⌚ 58 days left

**St Silas's CofE Primary School**  
St Silas Road, Blackburn, BB2 6JP

UK total raised  
**£80.20**

Last updated on 02 October 24

## ASDA Cashpot

So far you have helped to raise £80.20 for St Silas by opting in to the ASDA cashpot for schools scheme. It's not too late, there are still 58 days left. All you need to do is download the app, opt in and then do your normal ASDA shop.

Thank you to everyone who has already joined!

## High School Applications

The time period for putting in your applications for your child's high school is now open until 31st October. Please make sure you apply through the local authority in good time.



classroomclipart.com  
<http://classroomclipart.com>

## 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.



## Preloved Uniform

We have lots of preloved uniforms in school so if you need a new school uniform for your children please feel free to have a look at our stock of spare uniforms.



## Children's University

### **SUMMER HOLIDAY CHALLENGES AND ACTIVITIES**

Please note all passports that have been handed in have now been returned. Please look out for them as no responsibility will be held by the school once they have been returned.

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY MEMBERSHIP – NEW CU PASSPORTS**

If you have recently signed your child up to Children's University on ParentPay please note all new passports will be sent to classes by next Tuesday. Please look out for this. If you have any questions about how your child can collect hours please do have a look at the information sent with the passport or alternatively please do not hesitate to contact Sara Burton on [s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk) or 07805929965 (please leave a message if there is no answer).

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY AUTUMN ACTIVITY YEAR 3 – 6**

If you have signed your child up for this activity please look out for a confirmation email sent via school earlier this week. This has a link to the consent form which **MUST** be completed by **THIS** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October. Failure to complete this form will mean your child cannot attend. If you have not received the confirmation please contact Sara Burton straight away on 07805929965 (please leave a message if there is no answer).

### **HALF TERM HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

Sign up for the half term activities is now available on ParentPay. Places are limited and offered on a first come first served basis. A confirmation email together with the link to the online consent form will be sent out from [s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk). If you do not receive a confirmation email by this Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October please contact Sara Burton straight away on 07805929965 (please leave a message if there is no answer).

### **PUMPKIN SOUP STORY AND CRAFTS AT BLACKBURN CENTRAL LIBRARY**

Come and enjoy a story and craft session at Blackburn Central Library for children age 5 and over with their grown-ups. The session will take place on Tuesday 22nd October, 1.30 - 2.30 pm and free tickets will be available from the library up to 2 weeks before the event. Children's University members can collect a stamp in their CU passport for attending. Just remember to pick up a slip at the event and bring it in with your child's CU passport after the holidays.

### SAMS Star Learners

Class	SAM Star Learner	Sports Star
Hawthorn	Sofia	Fatima T
Hornbeam	Abdullah	
Beech	Hadijah	Kiarad
Alder	Beatrice	
Elder	M Subhan	Haroon
Hazel	Umaira	
Rowan	Huzef	
Birch	Hamaas	
Beehive	Mahnoor	
Cherry	M Akram	Zaki Y & Anays-Maria
Willow	Mohid	Sadeelah
Oak	Ameena	
Elm		
Ash		



## 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 £1.50 a day. Please ring the school to book them in

## This Week's Attendance



The winning classes this week are **Elder and Alder** with **99.33%** attendance each  
Birch had 97.5% 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

The table below shows the winning families highlighted in yellow.

Congratulations to **Thankfulness** with 377 points. Belonging had 362 points Love had 340 points and Service had 319 points

Family/Week	13.9.24	20.9.24	27.9.24	3.10.24							
Belonging	3	3	2	2							
Love	4	2	3	3							
Service	2	1	4	4							
Thankfulness	1	1	1	1							



## Children's University

### **SCHOOL CLUBS**

Please note the club sign up is this Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 8am on ParentPay. Places are offered on a first come first serve basis. Information on all the clubs which are available have been sent out via email and text earlier this week. Please read all the information that has been sent. If you have any questions please contact Sara Burton on [s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk) or 07805929965 (please leave a message if there is no answer).

### **SUMMER HOLIDAY CHALLENGES AND ACTIVITIES**

If your child has completed any of the CU Challenges or any activities at the library (including the summer reading challenge) or the Trail in the Mall over the holidays please ensure you send the evidence to Sara Burton via [s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto: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 your child's class teacher or into the 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.

Please note all CU passports that have already been handed in have been returned to classes to take home. Please ensure you look out for this as no responsibility will be held by the school once it has been returned.

### **CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY MEMBERSHIP**

If your child is NOT already a member of Blackburn Children's University and you would like to sign them up, you can do so now on ParentPay. Membership is £4 and is open to all children in years 1 – 6. Please see the letter sent out last week with more information on.

### **TESCO STRONGER STARTS – BLACKBURN CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY VOTE**

Blackburn Children's University have been successful for the Tesco Stronger Starts Scheme and have been put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores (Blackburn Superstore, Bank Top, Roe Lee, Livesey and Darwen Express). Voting will end on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024. The voting is to help fund Blackburn CU holiday activities including cooking as well as a variety of sport and wellbeing activities so children can have fun and learn new skills. Please look out for this if you visit any stores and pick up a token to cast your vote!

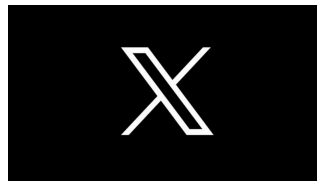




## Dates for your Diary - Upcoming Events

9th October	Flu Immunisations
9th October	Harvest Assembly at St Silas church
15th October	Year 1 and Year 2 visit to Corporation Park
16th October	Food Bank Collection Day
16th October	Super Learning Day "Healthy Body, Healthy Mind"
17th October	School Closes for half term
28th October	School re-opens

## Twitter X



Please follow our Twitter account. <http://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.**