



# St Silas

Church of England Primary Academy  
A member of **CDARI**

## Newsletter 6.5.22

### School Mental Health Award

Minds  
Ahead

St Silas Primary School has made a pledge to commit to achieve the School Mental Health Award which is accredited by the Carnegie Centre of Excellence for Mental Health in Schools. This award has been developed to give schools and academies a framework for developing whole school mental health. By embracing the ideals of the award we are demonstrating a deep commitment to working towards excellent practice as we place the mental health and wellbeing of our pupils and staff at the core of our school. This is alongside our commitment to having a rich whole school culture where all members of our school community can thrive.

With that in mind we are asking parents or carers who would like to and are able to work with us more closely through a parent/carers group to focus on the competencies of the award. If you would like more information please email [stsoffice@cidari.co.uk](mailto:stsoffice@cidari.co.uk)

We look forward to sharing how we, as a community, are further developing our practices in relation to mental health and wellbeing over the coming months. Further information about the award can be found on the Leeds Beckett University website.

<http://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/schoolmh>

## Notice about Parking



For the safety of our children and their families please ensure that you do not park directly in front of the school gates when dropping off and collecting your children. We realise that it is not always easy to park near the school at these times but it is safer to park further away from the school and to walk with your children to the gates.

## Teddy Bear's Picnic



Key Stage 1 children will be having a Teddy Bear's Picnic on Thursday 12th May. Your child can bring a teddy bear to school to join them for lunch on that day. They do not need to bring anything else to school. In the afternoon there will be a story session from the Schools' Library Service and again your child's teddy will be able to join in!



### Childrens University

#### School Clubs

Please note all clubs start next week. If you have signed your child up to any clubs you should have received a confirmation letter. If your child is doing a school sports club, please do ensure they come to school in their PE kit. 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.

#### Tesco Vouchers – Blackburn Children's University Vote

Blackburn Children's University have been successful for the Tesco Community Grants Scheme and have been put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores (Blackburn Superstore, Bank Top, Roe Lee and Livesey). Voting is now in all the stores and will continue until 30th June 2022. 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!

### Easter Challenges

If your child has completed any of the Easter challenges for Blackburn Children's University please ensure you send their evidence together with their passport to school. Alternatively you can send the evidence electronically to Sara Burton either on 07805929965 or [s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk](mailto:s.burton@wensleyfold.blackburn.sch.uk). The deadline for all challenges is THIS Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May.



### 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 costs only £1 a day. Please ring the school to book them in. There is also the opportunity for KS2 children to buy toast at playtime from the kitchen.

### This Week's Attendance



**The winning class this week is Elder with 98.6% attendance.**

If your child is absent from school you **MUST** ring the school office to let them know. You can also leave a message on the absence line.

It is important that your child is in school by 8.40 am and they must be picked up at 3.05 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.



### Dates for your Diary - Upcoming Events

Monday 9th May	Money Mentors Workshop for Year 5
Monday 9th May to	
Thursday 12th May	Year 6 SATS Week
Thursday 12th May	KS1 Teddy Bears' Picnic and Story Time Session
Thursday 12th May	Special Lunch - Boost your Brain - see the leaflet that was sent home
Monday 16th May to	
Thursday 19th May	Year 2 SATS week
Tuesday 17th May	Money Mentors Workshop for Year 6
Monday 23rd May	Smoothie Bike Roadshow - Year 4, 5, 6
Monday 23rd May	Public Speaking Competition
Tuesday 24th May	Year 3 Trip to Ribchester Museum
Wednesday 25th May	Jubilee Celebration Picnic and Community Day
Thursday 26th May	Space Dome Visit - Reception and Year 5
Friday 27th May	Bank Holiday - School Closed

### Silas and Me Star Awards

Due to being a short week there are no Silas and Me Star Awards this week.

### Twitter

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/>



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