



St Silas

Church of England Primary Academy

A member of **CDARI**

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End of Term

School finishes at 1.30pm on Friday 26th March. Thank you for your support during this very strange term. Hopefully next term will be less stressful for everyone and we can begin to have some normality.

Lateral Flow Tests for Families

This is the link for information on how to get Lateral Flow Tests for your family and childcare bubble:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

Children's University

Online Fun Fitness Club

This is being run by Blackburn Rovers Community Trust there will be one more session next Wednesday 24th March. Those who have signed up should receive the email with the link for this. If your child is in years 3 – 6 and would like to join this session please ring Sara Burton on 07805929965.

Easter Craft Packs

These will be sent to classes by this Wednesday 24th March. If you have ordered one please look out for this. If your child has not brought their pack home by next Thursday please do ring Sara Burton on 07805929965 straight away. Failure to do this may mean the pack is not sent to your child.

Easter Holiday activities

Those who have signed up for any of the online activities will receive an email by the beginning of next week. If you have signed your child up to the arty cooking or creative activity they will receive a pack for this in class by this Wednesday 24th March. Please look out for this. If your child has not brought their pack home by next Thursday please do ring Sara Burton on 07805929965 straight away. Failure to do this may mean the pack is not sent to your child.

Children's University and Blackburn University Centre activity

Those who have signed up for this will receive an email by the beginning of next week. Your child will also receive a pack for this in class by this Wednesday 24th March. Please look out for this. If your child has not brought their pack home by next Thursday please do ring Sara Burton on 07805929965 straight away. Failure to do this may mean the pack is not sent to your child.

School Clubs

An email has been sent with more details for this for 4 Elder, 3 Birch and 3 Hazel. More classes should hopefully have the opportunity after May half term. Slips for these clubs should be returned by Wednesday. If you have any questions please contact Sara Burton on 07805929965.

Children's University Passports

Please do not send your child's Children's University passport in to school. After the Easter holidays information will be sent about when they need to be handed in. A record has been kept of any activities your child has done.

Attendance

Attendance is mandatory unless your child has a valid shielding letter or you have been asked to isolate through test and trace. Normal attendance procedures will be followed. Please let the school office know if your child is going to be absent from school due to illness etc.

The normal COVID isolation rules still apply. If **anyone** in your house has symptoms then you must **all** isolate and get a test.

If we get a positive case in school then close contacts will be informed and they will have to be isolated. If your child is asked to isolate they will be expected to continue with remote learning. Also if your child is shielding they will be expected to continue with remote learning.

Free School Meals

Children whose parents receive the following support payments are entitled to receive free school meals:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- An income-related employment and support allowance
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit (PCGC) support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by Inland Revenue that does not exceed £16,190
- Universal Credit and have an income, as assessed by the Inland Revenue that does not exceed £7,400.

If you receive Working Tax Credit you will not be entitled to free school meals.

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please apply on <https://www.blackburn.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-meals>

Dates for the Diary

School closes on Friday 26th March at 1.30pm.
School opens on Monday 12th April.

Attendance



The class with the best attendance this week is **Hornbeam 99.6% attendance**. Well done to everyone in **Hornbeam**

Family Point Winners

The table shows first, second, third and fourth for this week. The winning family is highlighted in yellow.

Family/Week	22.1.21	29.1.21	5.2.21	12.2.21	26.2.21	12.3.21	19.3.21	
Love	4	4	1	2	4	3	1	
Belonging	2	2	3	4	3	3	3	
Thankfulness	3	1	2	3	2	2	2	
Service	1	2	4	1	1	1	4	

S.A.M. Star of the Week and Sports Star of the Week

Class	S.A.M. Award	Sports Star of the Week
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Hawthorn	Hussain	Virdzina
Hornbeam	Muhammad	Saira
Beech	Mikaeel	Mohammed Yusuf
Alder	Ramzaan	n/a
Elder	Umar	Abdullah
Rowan	Khaulah	Daniyal and Zain
Birch	Nabeel	Aamina
Hazel	Ruqayya	Atif
Cherry	Sana	Sayaam
Willow	Aaminah	Junayd
Oak	Aisha	Yahya
Elm	Nur Zahra	Fatima
Ash	Syeda Zainab	Anastasia

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.