



UNITY ACADEMY BLACKPOOL

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

As we come to the end of the first half term, can I start by thanking you for your support throughout this term. I think through working together this half term we have stayed true to the value of In Unity, we Succeed and I thank you for your part in this.

Parking (All Parents/ Carers)

Can I remind all parents that the only parents who should be coming onto the site to drop off and pick up are those with blue badges who need to park closer to school. Could we please ask parents to display their blue badge when parking on site.

We spend lots of time teaching children about being respectful and it would be very helpful if drivers who do have to come onto site also stay true to the school value of being respectful to other drivers and pedestrians.

Parent Governor Election (All Parents/ Carers)

We have received two nominations for the role of parent governor. All parents are now entitled to vote for who they would like to serve as a parent governor. The link to vote is here.

Claremont First Steps Centre (All Parents/ Carers)

I had the pleasure of visiting Claremont First Steps Community Centre this week to attend the Claremont Steering Group with partners working across Claremont, whilst I was at the centre I heard about some of the amazing work that they do. They shared lots of details about a variety of projects they run but of particular note was the Thursday Raid the Larder project which offers food parcels to families if they are struggling. I wanted to share details of this with families should anyone find themselves in need of this. For further information about other projects, please click here.

Meal Vouchers (All Parents/ Carers)

Vouchers for the half term break have now begun to be issued. The voucher is for £24 for each child who is on free school meals.

Canteen Price Increase (Secondary Parents/ Carers)

Just a reminder that the canteen service is increasing prices from after half term for secondary aged children.







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Half Term Break (All Parents/ Carers)

A reminder that we close for half term today at normal time and reopen on Monday 4th November at normal time.

Claremont Park Community Centre adult courses (All Parents/ Carers)

We have attached some flyers for literacy and numeracy courses at Claremont Park Community Centre <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>. You may also see some people handing out leaflets at the end of the day.

My Child at School App (All Parents/ Carers)

Please click here for a link to the site, if you access this on a mobile device you can access the links for the apps.

If you have not signed up please download the app from the relevant app store and click sign up and use the school postcode (FY2 0TS) or school ID (14676) you can register. You must register with the email address we hold on our system for you. The link has been sent to parental email addresses again today. It expires within 24 hours so please click on it ASAP. Thank you

Ready, Respectful, Safe (All Parents/ Carers)

In our primary Behaviour Curriculum this week we have talked about 'Regulating emotions and our response to situations.' This means managing how we feel and how we react to different situations. It's important because our emotions can influence our thoughts, decisions, and actions. It is a difficult thing for young children to do but being able to recognise how they are feeling is a really good start! Next half term, we will start by going back to our expectations that we set together at the start of the year and will focus on our school values and classroom rules.

In secondary, students have explored the concept of SMART goal setting, focusing on identifying their learning gaps and developing strategies to address them. By setting Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-bound goals, they are learning to take ownership of their progress. This approach encourages them to rise to the challenge, actively working towards improvement in areas where they feel less confident, and ensuring that they have clear, manageable steps to achieve success

Wow Moments in School this Week (All Parents/ Carers)

The Wow Moments for this week are below. Well done to everyone involved.

- Dara for her wonderful creative writing work.
- Jasmine H Yr 5 for taking a leadership role on a DT project.
- Yr10 successfully completed half a term on the Compass Curriculum.
- 9U for their brilliant work in textiles.
- Evi-Mai T Yr11 for promoting our core value of RESPECT amongst younger children.







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- George Y Yr 11 for being proactive in RESPECTING our school environment.
- 8T for their participation and interesting discussion in PD.
- Year 4 took part in Roman Day this week. They created mosaics, enjoyed a Roman banquet, dressed up in fabulous costumes, and even wore laurel wreaths. The highlight was learning Roman soldier formation marching!

Primary Newsletter (Primary Parents/ Carers)

Please click here to view the primary newsletter.

Reporting Bullying/ Pastoral Concerns (All Parents/ Carers)

We have turned off the link to pastoral concerns for the half term break. We will switch this back on after the holiday period.

Online Safety Support for Parents/ Carers (All Parents/ Carers)

Click <u>here</u> to access the link to this week's online safety guide for parents. You can also sign up for The National College for free and view a wide range of resources and videos to support your family with online safety. To do this follow the link below:

<u>Sign up tutorial video - https://help.nationalcollege.com/parent-walkthrough</u> <u>Sign up for The National College - https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/unity-academy-blackpool</u>

Yours sincerely,

Mr. S. Cooke Headteacher



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Upcoming community events ...





