



9th May 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you have all had a wonderful week and have been enjoying the sunshine! Next week sees the start of the examination season, and I would like to wish our students in Y6 and Y11 all the best. You have all been working so hard in the lead-up, so now is your time to shine.

[What have we been up to this week?](#)

This week, the whole school paused for a two-minute silence on Thursday to commemorate V.E. Day. The moment was introduced in form time and assemblies, helping students understand its historical significance and reflect on the sacrifices made. It was respectfully observed across the school and served as a powerful moment of collective reflection.

Our Year 6 precision tutoring sessions end this week as Key Stage 2 SATs take place next week. The children that have attended the sessions have worked incredibly hard and should be really proud of themselves. They are well prepared now to show off just how fabulous they are next week! Since Christmas, a small group of primary teachers have provided in the region of 500 hours of precision tutoring sessions before/ after school to the Year 6 children and we would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their hard work and preparation.

On Wednesday, Years 2 and 5 had a visitor from the NSPCC talk to them about how they can 'speak out and stay safe'. The children were so well behaved and were really engaged during the workshop. Well done!

Yesterday, Year 4 children went to Bloomfield Road stadium for the Fit2go festival. They had such a lovely time taking part in lots of fun sporting activities. The children were so well behaved. Well done Year 4 !



Year 11 students are working really hard in preparation for their GCSE examinations.

All students who are members of the Key Stage 3 Book Club have achieved their Bronze award for the volume and intensity of their reading. They are currently devising a scheme to encourage other children to read for pleasure. Very well done.

[New Messages](#)

Ready, Respectful, Safe

Our primary RRS Behaviour Curriculum this week was focused on '**Keeping safe online**'. It is so important because in today's digital world, it's crucial that children understand how to keep themselves safe online. This means knowing



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how to protect their personal information, not talking to people they don't know, and understanding what to do if they see or experience something that makes them feel uncomfortable. Just like we teach them to stay safe in the real world, helping them navigate the online world safely is just as important for their well-being. Next week, we will move onto **Growth Mindset - Making Mistakes** - using the book 'Oops' by Barney Saltzberg.

This week, we are continuing to reinforce our behaviour expectations across the school. In the secondary phase, our focus remains on embedding our core values: Ready, Respectful, Safe.

Year 7 students continue to take part in daily morning meetings to ensure they are prepared and equipped for learning. We are maintaining the daily lunchtime sanction for any student who receives a behaviour point before lunch. This 15-minute reflection provides a clear consequence while still allowing time to eat and use the toilet. Parents and carers are kept informed through regular text message updates.

We are also sustaining our focus on celebrating positive behaviour. Weekly recognition continues through assemblies and tutor time, with an additional reward each half term for those who consistently demonstrate our values and set a strong example for others.

[Repeated Messages](#)

Y11 GCSE Countdown

Thank you once again to all parents and carers who continue to support their child's self-study. Regular revision at home will play a vital role in improving outcomes for students.

With the first large GCSE exam next week, all Year 11 students are expected to complete at least one revision task each day. These tasks are being shared weekly and emailed directly to students via their school email accounts. Full details remain available on the school website.

Let's keep the momentum going—*"Success doesn't come from what you do occasionally, it comes from what you do consistently."*

Encourage your child to complete self-study tasks every day and monitor this. Recognising their commitment and effort goes a long way to building their confidence in the run-up to their exams. As always, if you require any additional advice or support around self-study, please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance.

This week's tasks can be found [here](#).

Sun Safety

A little reminder not to forget to apply sun cream to your child in the morning before school. We do suggest the 12-hour creams so that you can ensure your child is covered correctly. Primary staff can support but cannot directly apply sun-cream to children and that's why we ask that it is applied at home. We are sure you can imagine that



applying sun-cream to 30 children is very time-consuming and our main focus, along with their welfare of course, is curriculum delivery! A sun hat is also recommended - the ones that cover the back of the neck are particularly useful. Children have access to fresh drinking water every day in school but a named water bottle is also a good idea. As we are now in the Summer Term, children are invited to wear the Summer uniform. Please see the uniform details at the bottom of the primary newsletter.

Tailored shorts

As the weather begins to warm up, a reminder that students in the secondary school are permitted to wear **black tailored shorts** as part of the school's summer uniform. These must be smart, school-appropriate shorts, not sports or gym-style shorts. Also, please encourage students to bring water bottles to school to help remain hydrated and focused.

In primary, red summer dresses and white ankle socks can also be worn as part of the Summer uniform.

We appreciate your support in maintaining our high standards of dress and appearance.

[Standing Messages](#)

Primary Newsletter (Primary Parents/ Carers) - Please click [here](#) to view the primary newsletter.

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) to register. You must register with the email address we hold on our system for you. Parents are now able to access attendance information on the My Child at School app.

UPDATE - Behaviour reports (Positive and Negative) are now available on MCAS for parents following some technical issues.

Reporting Bullying/ Pastoral Concerns (All Parents/ Carers)

The link to raise a concern remains on the website. Click on the three lines and choose to raise a pastoral/bullying concern under the parents heading. These concerns are reviewed by the senior team and allocated to the most appropriate member of staff to investigate and communicate with parents.

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



Click [here](#) 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:

Sign up tutorial video - <https://help.nationalcollege.com/parent-walkthrough>

Sign up for The National College - <https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/unity-academy-blackpool>

Yours sincerely,



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SPRING INTO SPRING

Community health and wellbeing event

**Claremont Park Community Centre,
Claremont Rd, Blackpool, FY1 2QJ
Thursday 15th May, 2:00pm to 5:00pm**

No need to book, drop in any time and see what your community has to offer.

Want to know what's going on in your area?
We're bringing together a range of services, things to do and get involved in across Blackpool.

Come along and find out more about the services and support available and get information from community support organisations.

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