



6th March 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

## A Message of Thanks

We are pleased to share that our school hosted a **two-day Ofsted monitoring visit** this week. It was a very productive experience, and we are incredibly proud of how our community presented itself.

The Ofsted team specifically asked us to extend their gratitude to our teachers, pupils, and parents. They were struck by your **honesty, openness, and support** throughout the process. Your feedback is vital in helping us shape a school that serves our children best.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we move forward on this journey together.

Our mission remains to **raise expectations for all** and build on our current strengths to ensure the best possible environment for our children.

The Ofsted report will be published shortly after Easter, and we look forward to sharing it with you then.

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

Year 4 visited Turton Tower on Tuesday and had a fabulous time. Ms Brayne was very pleased to say that the children behaved impeccably - well done!

Thursday was World Book Day! It was so nice to see so many children taking part in World Book Day - whether that was dressing as a book character, dressing as a 'word' or just by simply bringing their slippers for the shared reading session. You really are a creative bunch too aren't you?! The story spoons and story boxes are simply fantastic and Mrs Shaw was very happy to announce the winners in assembly earlier this morning...

<b><u>Nursery</u></b> - Aaliyah-Jean Fowler	<b><u>Reception</u></b> - Ellie Yates
<b><u>Year 1</u></b> - Paisley Pace	<b><u>Year 2</u></b> - Adam Dridi
<b><u>Year 3</u></b> - Mollie McKee	<b><u>Year 4</u></b> - Gracie-Mai Trower
<b><u>Year 5</u></b> - James Myers	<b><u>Year 6</u></b> - Joshua Clarke



Our RRS in primary this week involved a discussion about how to follow and demonstrate all of our school values of Ready, Respectful and Safe. The children were very confident at articulating what they are and how to show them. We also talked about how they can keep themselves safe both in and out of school and who to turn



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to should they need any help with anything. Our children absolutely shone like little stars when spoken to by the Inspectors about the culture and behaviour in school.

This week in the secondary RRS curriculum, students explored the theme of race equality and LGBT+ inclusion, focusing on respect, challenging stereotypes, and valuing diversity within our school community.

In assembly, we also celebrated the improved behaviour and positive choices we are seeing across the secondary phase. To recognise this, we announced a reward trip to Blackpool Pleasure Beach for the top 20 students in each year group.

Meanwhile, Year 11 have begun their final round of mock examinations in English and mathematics, an important step as they prepare for the summer GCSE exams.

### [New Messages](#)

#### **Uniform and Refreshments Reminder**

To ensure the safety of all our students, please remember that jewellery is limited to one pair of plain ear studs only; hoops, rings, or dangling earrings are not permitted. We also ask for your support in keeping our school a healthy environment by ensuring fizzy and energy drinks are not brought onto the premises. Water or still juice are much better options for staying hydrated and focused throughout the day.

### [Repeated Messages](#)

#### **Year 6 Mock SATs**

The week beginning **16th March** is our next **mock SATs week** - this date has changed from what we'd previously planned and the tests will only take place from Monday to Wednesday. Please ensure your child is in school, on time every day throughout this very important week. Thank you

#### **Parking**

If you are parking close to the school, please be very careful and aware of child pedestrians and both mindful of and courteous towards residents and school neighbours. Please observe no parking zones such as double yellow lines and those indicated by student safety signage. We are aware that Blackpool Council Parking Enforcement Officers are operating in the area and issuing tickets.

### [Standing Messages](#)

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



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***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, 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, and behaviour reports (Positive and Negative) are now also available.

***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>

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Yours sincerely,

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