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"Make Each Day Count"

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Dear Parent

HALF TERM

School will close this Friday 24 May at 3.10pm for the half term break and will re-open on Monday 3 June at 8.45am.

PARENTPAY & ONLINE LUNCH ORDERING

Please can we remind parents that they have just before midnight **TONIGHT** to order their child's lunches for week commencing 3 June. Please note, if you have not booked your child's lunches for the following week, you will have to provide them with a packed lunch. Please also ensure once you have booked your child's lunches that you check to make sure the booking has been confirmed. Many thanks for your cooperation.

PRIMARY SCIENCE MARK

We are absolutely thrilled to announce that we have been awarded the primary science quality mark. We are one of only 200 schools in the country that have been awarded the quality mark this year.

Jane Turner, PSQM National Director said: "Gaining a Primary Science Quality Mark is a significant achievement for a school. The profile and quality of science teaching and learning in each awarded school is very high. Children are engaging with great science both in and outside the classroom, developing positive attitudes towards science as well as secure scientific understanding and skills. Science subject leaders, their colleagues, head teachers, children, parents and governors should be very proud."

Well done to Mr Doyle for all of his hard work as science leader.

EID

All our Muslim families will be celebrating Eid week commencing 3 June - please can we remind parents that children can only have **1** day off as an authorised absence. May we take this opportunity to wish all our Muslim families Eid Mubarak in advance. Thank you.

DINNER MENU - EID

As Eid-ul-Fitr will fall in week commencing 3 June and we cannot determine what day Eid will be, the menus that week will be subject to change at short notice. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

FRANCE TRIP – YEARS 3 AND 4

After listening to the feedback from parents and from children who attended the France trip this year, we have a brand year French experience on offer to all children in Years 3 and 4 for next April.

There will be a presentation on Wednesday 12 June at 2.45pm from our NEW travel provider. Please register your interest with Mrs Ghiwala at the school office. Thank you.

YEAR 2 RE VISIT

As part of their RE topic on 'special places', both Year 2 classes will be visiting St Silas Church tomorrow (Wed).

YEAR 1 VISITOR

As part of their topic on 'fantasy stories', Year 1 classes will have a special visitor this Friday morning. This is a surprise so please DO NOT tell your child.

YEAR 6 ACTIVITIES WEEK - PAYMENTS

Please note all payments must be paid by the end of June at the latest. If you are unsure of what your remaining balance is, please contact Mrs Ghiwala.

RECEPTION & YEAR 6 GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographer will be taking whole class photos of Reception & Year 6 children on Monday 3 June. The photos are very informal and are taken to mark your child's first and last year in primary school.

YEAR 2 LITTER PICKING

As part of their topic, Year 2 will be litter picking in the local community after the half term.

RECEPTION OUTDOOR AREA - FOREST TIDY

Reception class staff and children have tidied up in the forest and outdoor area. Please can parents ensure that children do not play with the toys and equipment before and after school. Thank you.

EXTENDED HOLIDAYS

Please can we remind parents that schools cannot authorise **ANY** extended leave of absence, except in the most exceptional circumstances, these are documented in the school's discretionary leave of absence policy. Parents who wish to take any extended leave must make an appointment to meet with a governing body panel to state their case. We also require a form to be completed and copies of the return tickets to be brought in, please note that these flights are now checked due to a small number of

incidents whereby copies have been tampered with to give a false return date! Parents do need to be aware that 2 children have lost their school place this academic year due to extended leave of absence and we, as an academy, reserve the right to withdraw a school place.

APPOINTMENTS

Please can all parents try to arrange medical appointments out of school hours. If this isn't possible for appointments such as hospital appointments, then please ensure letters/texts/cards are provided for our school records in line with DfE guidance.

YEAR 3 WELLIES

As part of their enrichment this term, all children in Year 3S will need their wellies in school to take part in Orienteering/Forest Schools. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

If your child has completed any reading challenges or any other extra activities and needs their Children's University passport updating please do ensure it is handed in by the first week after the holidays. After this hours will be collated for the annual graduation on Saturday 13 July. Letters and more information about this will be sent out a couple of weeks after half term.

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

If your child is attending any of the holiday activities please make sure you know when and where the activities are happening. If you have any problems please contact Sara Burton on 07805929965.

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES AT BLACKBURN CENTRAL LIBRARY

- Family Story and Craft (aged 4 – 10) – Thursday 30 May, 11am – 12pm. The Sustainable Neighbourhoods will be offering free story and craft sessions again as part of our next half-term activity programme. Children will be able to enjoy listening to a story and making a variety of crafts. Please note that **all children must be accompanied by an adult** at these sessions, and entry will be by **free ticket** available from the relevant library **up to 3 weeks in advance**.
- Code Clubs (age 8 - 11 years) - Thursday 30 May, 2pm - 3.30 pm –This is FREE, but places are very limited, so advance booking is strongly advised.

Tickets should be collected before the event from Blackburn Library to avoid disappointment. You may wish to give the library a ring on (01254) 661221 to order tickets. If your child attends this activity please make sure they pick up a slip from the library so they can collect a stamp in their Children's University passport. Please then bring this slip along with their passport to school after the holidays so it can be stamped.

ALL STARS CRICKET

All Stars Cricket provides boys and girls from 5-8 years old with 8 weeks of non-stop fun. The activity and game based programme is suitable for all skill levels, providing your child with the foundations to begin a lifelong love of physical activity and cricket, while making friends in a safe and enjoyable environment. The sessions will be taking place on a Tuesday from 6pm – 7pm at Cherry Tree Cricket Club, starting on Tuesday 28 May. The cost is £40 for an 8 week programme, which includes a personalised kit bag. For further information or to book please contact Stephanie Elmy on 01254 202582, 07455935830 or email her on steph.elmy@googlemail.com.

BLACKBURN YOUTH ZONE

2019 brings the 100th Anniversary of Children's Book Week and throughout May Half Term Blackburn Youth Zone will be celebrating the genius of authors such as; Dr. Seuss, Roald Dahl, Lewis Carroll, J.K. Rowling & Beatrix Potter, to name a few. Let your imagination run wild and join there for a trip down the rabbit hole, a journey to the top of Mount Crumpit, a Golden ticket to the Chocolate factory and many more adventures created by wonderful authors which we know and love. This is for children aged 8-11 years old during half term. Sessions run from 8:30am - 5:30pm and cost £10 a day including breakfast, lunch and snacks. For more information or to book a place please call 01254 292000 or email jenny.horrocks@blackburnyz.org.

BLACKBURN AND DARWEN MARKETS – HALF TERM

Blackburn and Darwen markets are providing FREE May holiday fun from Tuesday 27 – Friday 31 May, 12 noon – 4pm. Activities include face painting, craft activities, Harry Potter interactive workshop, silent disco and magic shows.

CROSSHILL TENNIS CLUB

Crosshill Tennis Club is once again running junior coaching sessions from 5 years old plus. The sessions are held on Sunday at 11am at the club and run by a qualified coach. The club is affiliated to the LTA. The first session is free and it is Pay As You Go there after. Please contact Waqar on 07814 589090 for more information.

TALK BOOST ENGLISH CLASSES

Talk Boost English classes will run as normal on Monday afternoons.

RHYME TIME

Please note Rhyme time will now take place on Friday afternoons at 2.45pm.