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"Make Each Day Count"

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Dear Parent

PARENTPAY & ONLINE LUNCH ORDERING

Please can we remind parents that they have just before 10pm **TONIGHT** to order their child's lunches for week commencing 7 October. 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.

ORDERING GRAB BAGS

The majority of parents are still ordering a dessert when ordering a grab bag for their child's lunch, the Grab Bag option **CLEARLY** states on ParentPay that a dessert is **included**. If you have ordered as above for all the menus until December, please cancel the dessert option on ParentPay tonight. Please can we remind parents that all children in KS1 (Rec, Years 1 and 2) can only order a Grab bag once a week. Thank you.

INCIDENTS ON SCHOOL FIELD

There have been a couple of incidents on the school field involving Witton Park High School pupils and some of our Year 6 children. These boys are ex pupils who are collecting younger siblings from school. However if these incidents continue then we will have no choice but to ban these pupils from our grounds and they won't be able to collect younger siblings. Please can these parents remind them that their code of conduct is being monitored. Thank you.

PACKED LUNCHES – NO NUTS PLEASE

Please can we remind parents that under NO circumstances should any nut related products be put in to packed lunches. This is due to the high number of our children who have nut allergies. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

HALF TERM

School will close next Friday 11 October for the half term break and will re-open on **Monday 28 October**. Clubs will be on as normal on Friday.

HARVEST

Continuing with our inter faith theme of Giving Thanks, we will be holding our annual Harvest Festival, which will be led by Year 1 children, at St Silas Church next **Thursday 10 October at 9.30am**. We hope that parents, grandparents and friends will be able to join us on the day.

Please can any donations of the following be sent into school:

- **Tinned:** fish, tomatoes, rice pudding, custard, fruit, meat, peas and sweetcorn.
- Pasta sauces,
- Long grain rice,
- Breakfast cereals.

All donations will be forwarded to Blackburn Foodbank, Oakenhurst Road. Thank you.



RECEPTION – YEAR 6 FLU VACCINATIONS

An email detailing information regarding the nasal flu vaccinations for all children in school was sent out to parents. If you would like your child to receive the nasal flu vaccine in school on Thursday 10 October, please follow the link in the email, to complete the online consent form. The link will close this **Thursday 3/10/19** - If you have any problems accessing it, please telephone 0333 358 3397.

CINDERELLA – SLEEPING BEAUTY

Once again this year we have arranged for all the children to visit King Georges Hall to watch a production of 'Cinderella' at a greatly reduced price of just £8.50 (the normal price would be £16) on Wednesday 18 December at 1.15pm. The visit is for all children from Reception to Year 6. Please make the payment online. Thank you.

BLACKBURN ROVERS SPORTS SESSION

Every Friday, Blackburn Rovers Community Trust we will be running a free sport session at school (Wensley Fold) as part of Blackburn Rovers Community Trust's "Neighbourhood Offer". The session will run from 4pm - 5pm. This will run each and every week throughout the year, including half terms (excluding Christmas). The aim of these sessions is to offer extra activities to young people in the local area to attend from the age of 8-11 years old regardless of ability. Coaches will be there to oversee a range of sports, tailored to the needs of the group. Come along and sign up. A consent form must be signed on the first session.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2019

If your child's 5th birthday is between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 you need to make arrangements **NOW** for admission in September 2020. You must now apply using the online application at www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for the applications is **15 January 2020**.

SECONDARY ADMISSIONS 2019

Parent of children in Year 6 must now apply for their child's secondary school for September 2020 using the online application at www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions The closing date for the applications is **31 October 2019**.

RECEPTION FUND

If you haven't already done so, please can parents of children in Reception pay £30 at the school office for the Reception Fund. Thank you.

MILK

Milk money is now due for the Autumn Term for all infant children; however all Reception children will receive free milk up to the term in which they have their 5th birthday. Please can parents of children in Years 1 and 2 pay £12 online for this academic year.

Parents of children in both Reception classes – please check with Mrs Ghiwala. Thank you.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION

A football competition will take place next Tuesday 8 October at St Bede's High School. Parents of children selected for the team have been notified by text – please complete the consent form on ParentPay. Thank you.



HEALTH AND WELL BEING COURSE

A health and wellbeing course runs on Tuesday afternoons, from 1.00pm-3.00pm. However we do require a minimum of 6 parents for them to take place. Please inform Mrs Ghiwala if you are interested.

OCTOBER HALF TERM

There are a few places left on the gymnastics and multi sports during half term. Sign up must be done on ParentPay for this. If any spaces become available for the other activities a notification will be sent through the school App later this week.

OCTOBER HALF TERM CONSENT FORMS

If you have already signed your child up for a half term activity you will receive a confirmation letter by tomorrow. Attached to this is a consent form which **MUST** be returned by next Thursday. Failure to return this form to the office will mean your child cannot attend. If you do not receive this letter please contact Sara Burton straight away on 07805929965.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY SIGN UP

There will be a sign up THIS Saturday 5th October at the University Centre, Blackburn College. Sign up will be anytime between 9.30am and 11.30am and any children in Years 1 – 6 can join. It costs £3 to sign up. A flyer will be going today to all children who are not currently members of Children's University. If you have any questions please contact Sara Burton on 07805929965.

CRICKET

Blackburn Youth Zone are running a cricket coaching session in partnership with Blackburn Rovers Community Trust. The session is for children aged 8 – 11 and is being run on a Saturday from 2.30pm – 3.30pm, the cost being 50p. The session will consist of a range of cricket drills focusing on fielding, batting and bowling. For more information please email Brad Martin on brad.martin@brfctrust.co.uk

WEST PENNINE NETBALL CLUB

West Pennine Netball Club offer netball sessions on a Saturday morning at Blackburn Sports and Leisure Centre. The sessions are 9am – 10am for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, 10am – 11am for Years 3 and 4 and 9am – 10.30am for years 5 and 6. The sessions cost £3 per week, but the first session is free! No need to register, you can just pop down on a Saturday morning and sign up then.

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES AT BLACKBURN CENTRAL LIBRARY

There are a couple of activities taking place at the library during half term. **Free tickets will be available 3 weeks before the event from Blackburn Library. 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.**

The activities organised are: -

- The Sustainable Neighbourhoods will be offering some spooky seasonal fun, with **story and craft sessions** based on the story '**Funnybones**' by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. Please note that children should be accompanied by an adult at these sessions. This event will be on Wednesday 23 October, 11 am - 12 pm
- **Code Club on** Tuesday 22 October, 2 - 4 pm

CREDIT UNION

This is a non-profit organisation controlled by its own members and offers great rates of interest and low cost loans. A member of Credit Union is in school every Friday morning from 8.30am – 8.50am for anyone who wants to open an account and of course for existing members. Application forms are available to collect from the main office.