



# Newsletter 8 – 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024

*Knowledge begins with respect for God (Proverbs 1:7)*

This half-term's value is 'Friendship' (Ecclesiastes 4:10)

## Harvest Festival – Thanks

A big thank you to everyone who sent in donations of food for our Harvest Festival service on the 16<sup>th</sup> October. Blackburn Foodbank were delighted to receive so much food – it will all go to people in need in Blackburn. Huge thanks also go to the Owls' class for their amazing Harvest Festival service!

## Important Dates

Please note the following events taking place this term:

- Book Fair – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December
- Parents' & Carers' Evening – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December
- Christmas Lunch – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December
- Christmas Parties – week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> December
- Last day of term – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December (school closes at 3.00pm)



## Friendship – this half term's value

This half term we will be focusing on the value of friendship. We will be thinking about how to be a good friend - someone who can be trusted and is loyal. We will be thinking about how friends come in all shapes and sizes - some are young, some are old, some are always there, some we see only occasionally. We will also talk about how we choose our friends and how we can develop our friendships and make them stronger. This is what the Bible says about friendship:



*'Two are better off than one, because together they can work more effectively. If one of them falls down, the other can help him up. But if someone is alone and falls, there is no one to help him.'*

## Final Reminder

The deadline for high school applications for September 2024 is **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October.**

## School Photographer

The school photographer will be in school this Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> October to take photographs of classes. Photographs of individual children will be taken later in the school year.

Best wishes

Julian Rogers  
Headteacher

## Attached to this newsletter:

- NHS Guidance - keeping your child off school
- Makaton training for parents & carers
- Be an AP Smilestar!
- Fully funded school support courses

## This week's Amazing Achievers!

### You've Been Spotted!

Children who have been demonstrating one of our school values:

Skye McCaw – Woodpeckers  
 M. Arham Atiq – Kingfishers  
 Inaayah Mulla – Swallows  
 Simra Hajat – Doves  
 Sulaiman Ali – Owls  
 Shurayh Muhammed – Kestrels  
 Ali-Abdullah Syed – Hawks  
 Hajirrah Mahmood – Falcons  
 Ayaan Hussain – Eagles

### Headteacher's Award

Children chosen for a special achievement:

Daniel Malik – Robins Blue  
 Eesha Hussain – Robins Green  
 Adil Abdrabou – Woodpeckers  
 Bushra Kousar – Kingfishers  
 Saifullah Asghar – Swallows  
 Hamza Jafar – Doves  
 Azaan Jamadar – Owls  
 The Whole Class – Kestrels  
 Faizaan Abdulghafoor – Hawks  
 Fatima Diwan – Falcons  
 Yusuf Saddique – Eagles

### Recent Reading Badges

#### Kingfishers

Aisha Ditta - Ruby

#### Doves:

Aayza Farooq - Ruby, Umme-Hani Aftab – Emerald,  
 Shurayh Akhtar- Sapphire

#### Kestrels:

Liza Kara - Sapphire  
 Muhammad-Adam Patel - Emerald

#### Hawks:

Shan Akhtar – Jet, M.Zayn Faiz – Sapphire  
 Emilia Ilieva – Gold, Nazia Farid - Jet

#### Eagles:

Mela Kilpe - Pearl

### Authors of the Week

Key Stage 2 children who have excelled in their writing recently:

Jumaanah Isa - Doves  
 Abdul Rehman – Owls  
 Shamsa Hooti – Kestrels  
 Maryam Ishtiaq – Hawks  
 Sofia Bhamji – Falcons  
 Markuss Petersons - Eagles

### Mrs Martin's Class of the Week:

Owls

### Mrs Fenton's Star:

Shayne De-Zoysa – Eagles

### Mr Richardson's Luchtime Awards:

Ayra Kayani (Swallows) & M. Haris Khan (Eagles)

## Last Week's Attendance

	Best attendance	Best punctuality
Infants	<b>Robins Blue (100%)</b>	<b>Woodpeckers</b>
Juniors	<b>Hawks</b>	<b>Doves</b>

**Congratulations to the following children for completing this year's  
Blackburn Library's Summer Reading Challenge:**

Safiyah Karolia  
Aamirah Karolia  
Zahra Akhtar  
Shehryar Akhtar

Yusuf Bismillah  
Mariya Bismillah  
Ayra Kayani  
Mela Kilpe

Razane El Monsori  
Maryam Akhtar  
Fatima Geloo



## **Makaton for Parents and Carers**

BwD are running a Makaton session for parents and carers. This is an informal session for those whose children or young people who benefit from using Makaton. You will learn a range of simple signs to support your child or young person in a supportive environment.

Makaton is a communication programme that uses signs, symbols and speech to support communication.

The session will be delivered by Joanne Short, Advisory Teacher for Complex Needs and Physical Disabilities who is a Makaton Tutor. She also has personal experience of using Makaton in her own family.

**Date:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024

1.00 – 2.30pm

Places are limited so please book ASAP

**Venue:** Livesey Family Hub

**Cost:** free

For further information or to book places, please email [mary.bolton@blackburn.gov.uk](mailto:mary.bolton@blackburn.gov.uk)



# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.



# Be an AP Smilestar!



**Brush twice a day - at bedtime and one other time!**



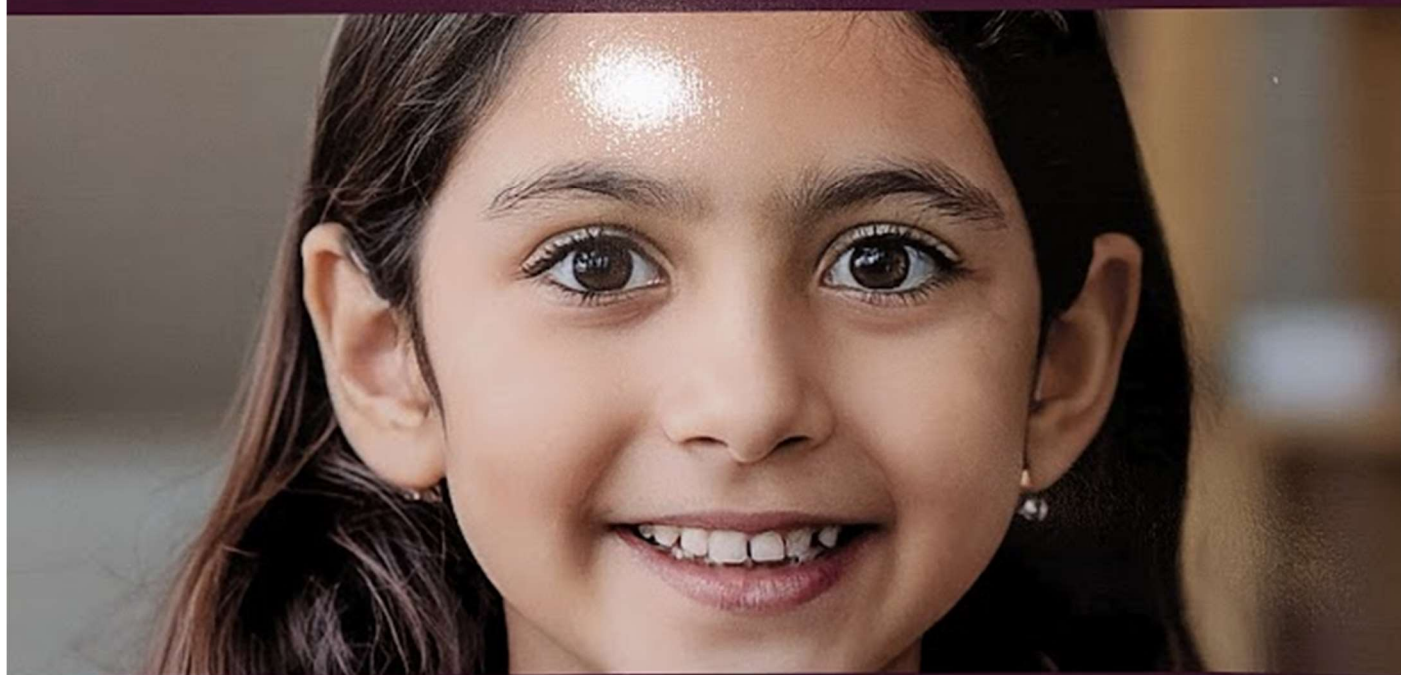
**Use a fluoride toothpaste!**



**After brushing - spit out the toothpaste. But don't rinse!**



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Scan for details of the AP Smilestars supervised toothbrushing programme



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**6 Week  
Course**

**Mon - Fri**

**Daily sessions**

**1st session 9:30 - 11:30am**

**2nd session 12:30 - 2pm**

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