



# Newsletter 8 – 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025

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

This half-term's value is 'Thankfulness' (Colossians 2:7)

## Football News

Last Thursday, our Year 6 boys' team played a match against Audley Junior school. It was a great match to watch - we were very proud of our boys who showed great teamwork which enabled them to win the game 12:4. My thanks go to Mr Hill, Mrs Kelly and Mr Woodward for coaching, managing and refereeing and a big well done to the team!



## Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following children who completed this summer's Summer Reading Challenge, 'Story Garden':

Faiza Akhtar, Yusuf Bismillah, Mariya Bismillah, Nazia Farid, Amna Hussain, Fatima Geloo, Aamirah Karolia & Amina Thazhathethil.

## Harvest Assembly

Our Kestrels' class will be leading our Harvest assembly this Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October. All parents and carers are very welcome to come along to join us as we take time to thank God for the food we eat and also remember those who are not as fortunate as us.

Please continue to send in the tins of soup for our Blackburn Foodbank appeal – this will be collected on Friday so you have until then to send these in.



## School Photographer – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

A reminder that the school photographer will be in school this Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October, to take photographs of classes. Photographs of individual children will be taken later in the school year.

## Half Term

School closes at 3.00pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October for the half term break and re-opens at 8.20am on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (with Breakfast Club at 7.45am). I hope you have a lovely week with your children.

## Bloom Library

The Bloom Library is an online library of thousands of e-books in a large number of different languages. It's a great resource that you and your child might like to explore, particularly during the forthcoming half term holiday. The website is: <https://bloomlibrary.org/>



## Mental Health Support

Support for mental health and wellbeing is available all year round. CYP MH - East (previously known as ELCAS) offer free, confidential drop-in advice sessions for children, young people, parents and carers. These sessions provide a safe space to talk, ask questions and get support around emotional wellbeing and mental health. I've attached a poster to this newsletter which gives details about November's drop-in session dates.

Child Action North West (CANW) also offer support for families who are worried about their child's mental health and wellbeing. They provide drop-in sessions to discuss different topics online (via Zoom) or in person at Family Hubs. See attached flyer for more details.



Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julian Rogers".

Julian Rogers  
Headteacher

Also attached to this newsletter is a letter from the Neighbourhood Policing Team about fireworks.

## This week's Amazing Achievers!

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Headteacher's Award</b></p> <p>Children chosen for a special achievement:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Amirah Bhamji - Robins          Aliza Chaudry - Woodpeckers          Nina Hasan - Kingfishers          Adil Abdrabou - Swallows          M. Arham Atiq - Doves          Zulekha Aswat - Owls          Anaya Chaudhry - Kestrels          Adam Chopdat - Hawks          Fatima Diwan - Falcons          Khalid Hussain - Eagles</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>You've Been Spotted!</b></p> <p>Children who have been spotted demonstrating one of our school values:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Zakariya Latif - Woodpeckers          Yusuf Kayani - Kingfishers          Hassan Iqbal - Swallows          Zara Rizwan - Doves          Zara Malik - Owls          Armaan Ahmed - Kestrels          Hooria Abbas - Hawks          Azaan Jamadar - Falcons          Nazia Farid - Eagles</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recent Reading Badges</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Falcons          Fatima Diwan - Bronze Star          Labeeqa Nawaz - Ruby</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Eagles          Haniya Ali - Bronze Star</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Remarkable Readers</b></p> <p>Children who have impressed their teachers with their reading this week:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Aaron Patel - Woodpeckers          Safa Ali - Kingfishers          Aariz Hussain - Swallows          Anaya Ullah - Doves          Landy Hussein - Owls          Bilal Badat - Kestrels          Sara Slonka - Hawks          Fatima Aziz - Falcons          Hamza Khuram - Eagles</p>
<p><b>Mrs Martin's Class of the Week:</b> Robins</p>	<p><b>Mr Ulhaq's Ultimate Achiever:</b> Aliza Shah (Swallows)</p>
<p><b>Mr Richardson's Lunchtime Awards:</b> Salahuddin Nawaz (Swallows) &amp; Ahmed Hassan (Owls)</p>	

### Last Week's Attendance

	Best attendance	Best punctuality
Infants	Woodpeckers & Swallows	None
Juniors	Doves	Hawks

# East Lancashire Young People's Mental Health

**Concerned about your Mental Health?  
Are you under 18 or concerned about  
someone under 18?**

Advice sessions are available on-line via  
**'Attend Anywhere'**  
Delivered by CYPMH East  
[tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT](https://tinyurl.com/ELCAS-LSCFT)



Enter the word "CYPMH East" as the first name and "drop in" as the second name followed by your date of birth.  
You will then enter our virtual waiting area where we will collect you.

Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November 25	1pm – 3pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 25	3pm – 5pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 25	5pm – 7pm
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November 25	1pm – 3pm

# PATH

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Peer Advice to Transform Health & wellbeing

**Are you a parent/carer living in Blackburn with Darwen?**

**We are here to help you understand and respond to your child's emotional and mental health, through peer support, workshops, guest speakers, and direct, virtual and in-person support.**



**Anxiety**

**Low mood & depression**

**Self-harm**

**Eating disorders**

**Sleep problems**

**Suicidal thoughts**

**Obsessions/compulsions**

**Livsey Family hub**  
(9:30am - 12:45pm)



**Shadsworth Family hub**  
(9:30am - 12:45pm)



**Darwen Family hub**  
(9:30am - 12:45pm)



**Hancock Street**  
(9:30am-12:45pm)



**Join our drop in sessions**

**Call or email to find out more**



**CANW**

Child Action Northwest



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Dear Parent,

This letter is being sent to the parents/guardian of every child that attends a primary and secondary school covered by Blackburn and Darwen Neighbourhood Policing Team. It is not aimed at specific children and there is no suggestion that we are singling out your child as a potential problem. Rather, it is sent with the intention of ensuring that all parents are aware of the extent and changing nature of the problem of fireworks.

As you will be aware we are fast approaching bonfire night. There are a number of issues that as a parent you may need to be made aware of.

**The anti social use of fireworks** in previous years has resulted in a vast number of calls throughout our policing area, culminating in a wide range of incidents. Including: -

- Children and youths throwing fireworks at each other.
- Fireworks thrown at elderly persons or passersby.
- Setting fireworks off at all times of day and night weeks before bonfire night.
- Fireworks being put through people's letter boxes.
- Fireworks being thrown at vehicles.

**Safety.** As all parents know, groups of youths acting together are not always the best judges of their own or others safety. The illicit buying of professional display fireworks, or the misuse of legal but powerful fireworks and the dangers that they pose, are not to be underestimated. Their use in uncontrolled situations has, at times, resulted in serious injury. The use of ordinary fireworks in juvenile horseplay or in downright anti-social nastiness can have less obvious, but equally serious consequences for personal safety.

**Legislation** does exist to prosecute persons using or possessing fireworks in several circumstances. This includes the following: -

- Supply of fireworks to a person under 18.
- Possessing Adult Firework
- Discharging fireworks after 23:00-07:00 (except on New Years Eve or Bonfire Night).
- Throwing fireworks in the street or public place.
- Other linked offences of Arson, Criminal Damage, Assault or offences under the Public Order Act.

The police will not be able to apply the law over every single incident, but please be aware that where the opportunity presents itself, officers will be seizing fireworks and exercising their powers. Discretion or leniency will not be encouraged. Children could find themselves in court and parents would be expected to accompany them.

Parental assistance can help us in keeping the disruption and danger caused by the reckless use of fireworks to a minimum. Some simple actions by parents are probably worth more than the collective action of a whole number of organisations like the Police, Fire Service Blackburn with Darwen Council or Trading Standards.

- Please keep your own fireworks secure.
- Do not be pressured into buying fireworks for your child (however old they are).
- Monitor what your child is spending their money on in the lead up to Bonfire Night.
- Be wary of your child hiding fireworks in your house or elsewhere.
- Be wary of buying larger and noisier fireworks for unsupervised use.

- Be wary of your child using the Internet or mail order to purchase large and potentially dangerous fireworks.
- Be wary of elder siblings purchasing fireworks on behalf of their younger brothers, sisters or their friends. They could be committing a serious offence of supplying fireworks and in extreme circumstances could face up to six months in prison.
- Take the time to discuss these issues with your child prior to Bonfire Night.
- Be prepared to listen sympathetically to the complaints of any neighbours.

There is one other more basic piece of advice that would cover all problems: -

**Don't let your children have their own fireworks!**

Your co-operation and assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated. The more parents do this, the better the outcome and we can all contribute towards allowing a traditional festivity to be a night of enjoyment.

Kind Regards

**Blackburn with Darwen Neighbourhood Policing Team**