



School Prayer This Week

Dear God, thank you for digital technology and the ways it helps us to learn, discover and have fun. Help us to keep a healthy balance by remembering to put our devices down so we can enjoy playing outside, being creative and spending time with the people we love. Amen.



Happy holidays!

What a journey it's been! Watching our Year 6 students grow into such confident, capable young people has been an absolute joy. You've all worked so hard, supported each other, and shown such wonderful character throughout the year.

As you head off for a well-deserved summer break, take a moment to celebrate everything you've accomplished. You've earned it! Come September, you'll be stepping into high school ready to take on new adventures 🚀, make new friends, and continue being the amazing students we know you are.

Enjoy every moment of your summer, and remember — you've got this! We can't wait to hear all about your next chapter. Have the most fantastic time! 🦋

As we wrap up this school year, we want to wish everyone an absolutely fantastic summer filled with sunshine, adventure, and plenty of time to recharge those batteries. Thank you for being such an amazing part of our school community — your support means everything! 😊

Urgent Reminder

This is a reminder that we are a **Nut free school**. We have had a few children bring nuts or Nutella into school at this morning reading picnic. We have both children and staff with severe nut allergies that they could become very poorly. Thank you for your understanding.

School Attendance and Punctuality – For the whole year 2025-2026

Reception	92.4%	Year 1	95.2%	Year 2	93.9%
Year 3	95.0%	Year 4	95.1%	Year 5	94.3%
	Year 6	95.1%	Overall total	94.4%	

This week's winners – Attendance – Year 3, Punctuality – Year 4

This term's winners – Attendance – Year 3, Punctuality – Year 1

Diary

Fri 17 th July	School closes @ 1.15pm – Break up for Summer
Wed 2 nd Sept	School reopens for children @ 8.45am



School Uniform

Please can all children wear their full uniform and make sure they are wearing school shoes **NOT** trainers unless it is PE. Ties & Book Bags can be bought from the school office; Ties are £4.50. Book bags are £3.50. PE tops and long-sleeved quarter zips can also be purchased via our online supplier [here](#).

From September 2026 children can wear plain navy-blue PE tops in the same material as the current PE tops but without the school logo attached.

Accelerated Reader Programme

As part of our Accelerated Reader Programme, we have new certificates and badges.

2 million Words+ – Book, certificate and badge.

1 million Words+ – Book, certificate and badge.



800,000+ Words – **Diamond**
Badge + certificate



600,000+ Words – **Ruby**
Badge + certificate



400,000+ Words – **Emerald**
Badge + certificate.



200,000+ Words – **Sapphire**
Badge + Certificate.

100,000+ Words – **Yellow**
Badge + Certificate.

These will be given to children as they reach their next milestone.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS



GUIDE FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Worth Applying Even If You Are Not Sure

Free School Meal (FSM) eligibility is changing from **September 2026**

Many families are entitled to Free School Meals and don't realise it?

Applying is quick, confidential, and could save your family money while supporting your child and our school.

Why should I apply?

- Your child gets a free, healthy school meal every day
- You could save money on food costs
- The school may receive extra funding to support children's learning
- Applying will not affect your other benefits
- Your application is private

How To Apply - It Takes Just A few Minutes

- Go to our council website and search "Free School Meals" or scan the QR Code
- Complete the online form (you'll need your National Insurance number)
- Wait for confirmation – the school will be informed automatically

Scan me



Trust

Respect

Ambition

Collaboration

Kindness



Ofsted
Good
Provider

Our Children's
Services are...





**FILL YOUR
SUMMER HOLIDAYS
WITH FREE ACTIVITIES**

WEEK 1
18TH - 26TH JULY 2026

QUEENS PARK
Saturday

**CORPORATION
PARK**
Sunday

**ST AIDENS
CHURCH**
Tuesday

QUEENS PARK
Saturday

**CORPORATION
PARK**
Sunday

PARK PLAY
10AM - 12PM
BOOK



TENNIS
10AM - 11AM



**GARDENING
& PLANTING**
10AM - 12PM



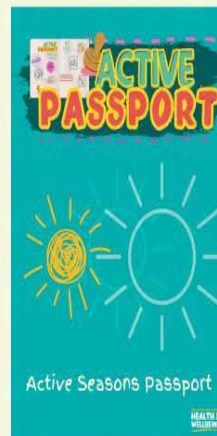
PARK PLAY
10AM - 12PM
BOOK



TENNIS
10AM - 11AM



**MOVE
FESTIVAL**
QUEENS PARK
10AM - 3PM
Saturday 22nd August



Don't forget to fill your
Active Passports in.



REQUEST YOURS TODAY

refreshbwd.com/events/active-seasons/

Blackburn with Darwen
**HEALTH &
WELLBEING**



We accept childcare
vouchers and Tax Free
Childcare!

PALS Active Club is Opening at ST MARY & ST JOSEPH'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL,

Times:

3:25pm - 4:00pm

3:25pm - 4:25pm

3:25pm - 5:00pm

INCLUDES SNACK



Prices:

3:25pm - 4:00pm £4.00

3:25pm - 4:25pm £6.00

3:25pm - 5:00pm £7.00

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE: FUN MULTI-SPORTS ACTIVITIES, LEGO WORKSHOPS, CRAZY STEM ACTIVITIES, ERUPTING VOLCANOES, ARTS AND CRAFTS, BAKING, PLUS MUCH MORE!

COMPETITION worth £100!

Register your child's details below and we will pick one lucky winner to receive £100 worth of PALS vouchers.

How to book;

Click or scan here

Click or visit;

<https://pals.ipalbookings.com>



Need help with your booking or have a question? Please contact us;



support@playandlearnscheme.com



07930 924993



**Please drive carefully
and be extra mindful of
all our children and
families that are
crossing the road**

Please also be considerate of
our neighbours when parking
your car to drop off or collect
your child from school



EVERY DAY COUNTS

School and Future **success**
starts with good **attendance**.



DAILY LATENESS EQUATES
TO...

**5 MINUTES
LATE
=
3 DAYS
LOST**

**10
MINUTES
LATE
=
6 DAYS
LOST**

**15
MINUTES
LATE
=
9 DAYS
LOST**

100%
Perfect

**Our target for all
students**

97%
Impressive

6 DAYS ABSENCE
36 hours of learning lost

95%
Concerning

10 DAYS ABSENCE
60 hours of learning lost

90%
Seriously
worrying

19 DAYS ABSENCE
114 hours of learning lost

Your education is important – DON'T MISS OUT!

**FREE ENTRY
& HOT
MEALS!**

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

DARWEN

Darwen Youth Zone, Gary Aspden Way,
Darwen, BB3 2PW

JUNIOR SESSIONS (8-12 YRS)

Monday to Thursday

20th July- 13th August

9AM - 1PM AM SESSION

1:30PM - 5:30PM PM SESSION

YOUTH SESSIONS (13-18 YRS)

20th July- 13th August

Mon, Tues & Thurs

6PM - 9PM



DARWEN STREETZONE

20th July- 13th August

Monday to Thursday

12PM - 4PM

*Catch us out and about in
the Darwen Area!*

BLACKBURN

Blackburn Youth Zone, Jubilee St, Blackburn, BB1 1EP

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1:30PM - 5:30PM PM SESSION

YOUTH SESSIONS (13-18 YRS)

20th July- 13th August

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Sat

6PM - 9PM (Sat 5:30-8:30PM)



SEND SESSIONS

24th July- 18th August

Mon, Tues, Friday & Sun

10AM - 2PM

Email Sajida.slat@blackburnyz.org for
more information on our SEND Holiday Club

WEEKLY THEMES



1.

GET ACTIVE



2.

**GET
EXPLORING**



3.

**GET
CONNECTED**



4.

**GET
CREATIVE**



Healthy food, fun activities
& amazing opportunities...

ALL COMPLETELY FREE!



**SCAN TO BOOK
YOUR PLACE!**

<https://app.holidayactivities.com/parent/providers/blackburn-youth-zone>

PRIORITY
given to children receiving
free school meals



inspire | motivate | overcome
It's my opportunity



SUMMER TRAILBLAZERS

FOUR EXCITING THEMES
ONE UNFORGETTABLE SUMMER

WEEK 1

THE GREAT OUTDOORS



WEEK 2

FUTURE MAKERS



WEEK 3

MISSION CONTROL



WEEK 4

GLOBAL ADVENTURES



DATE / TIME

MONDAY – THURSDAY

27 JUL – 20 AUG

INFANTS (AGES 5–7) 9AM–1PM

JUNIORS (AGES 8–11) 9AM–1PM

SENIORS (AGES 12–14) 3PM–7PM

HOW TO REGISTER



<https://bit.ly/BlackburnIMO>

MULTIPLE
LOCATIONS
ACROSS
BLACKBURN



Umar Mulla
07394 653921 / 01254 781310
umar.mulla@imocharity.org

@imocharity

www.imocharity.org



KIDS SUMMER CLUB

Starting
Monday 20th July

Come along for lots of fun, games
and activities this summer!

Lunch will
be provided

FREE
HOLIDAY CLUB!



Sports & Games
Stay active!



Arts & Crafts
Get creative!



Fun Activities
New challenges!



Make Friends
Build confidence!



12PM - 3PM
Monday to
Thursday



AGES
8-14 YEARS

In Partnership With



AUDLEY CENTRE
Chester Street, Blackburn, BB1 1DW



01254 680012



audleycentre.org.uk

A safe, fun and friendly place to spend your summer!

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AUTISM

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MISS
OUT**


BEE UNIQUE
AUTISM

On Subsidised **SEND Sessions**

No official diagnosis required

To book via <https://bookwhen.com/beeunique>

Embrace Differences



No registration required



For further details,
please email
beeuniquecharity@gmail.com



Providing a safe, welcoming
and inclusive space for
SEND families.

**Siblings
welcome**



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@BEEUNIQUEDIPS

beeuniquecharity@gmail.com
www.beeuniquecharity.co.uk



Registered Charity in
England and Wales
(reg 1193559)

TOTAL SPLASH OUT

Safe - Friendly - Fun!
SEND Sessions



Walk-in sessions, no need to book.
Over 5s only - Adult required with children under 8 years.

BwD
LEISURE



To book 'Total Splash Out' or for more
information contact the leisure hub

01254 585555

bwdleisure@blackburn.gov.uk



SCAN ME