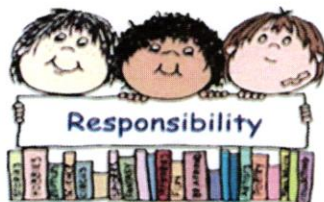




Autumn Term 2025 Newsletter No.8



Responsibility

Certificate Awards for Children's Work and Efforts. Well Done this week to:

Responsibility Award

Reception - Jay Jay

Year 1 - Essa

Year 2 - Sayhan

Year 3 - Noah

Year 4 - Mary-Cait

Year 5 - Ruby

Year 6 - Alishba

Workers of the week

Reception - Julian

Year 1 - Maks

Year 2 - Sonia

Year 3 - Jakub

Year 4 - Jacob

Year 5 - Chase

Year 6 - Sanaa

Star Reader Award

Mirha, Robyn, Elsie, Ruqayyah

Year 1 - Sahil

Year 2 - Aurora

Year 3 - Amelia

Year 4 - Mutahera

Year 5 - Leo

Year 6 - Maysa

School Closure and Opening

The school closes at 3:15pm today, 24th October, for the half-term holidays.

School re-opens at 08:45am Monday 3rd November.

Harvest Festival & Assembly

Many thanks to you for the donations for the Harvest Festival. The items have been collected by the Blackburn Foodbank.

Well done to Year 3 for leading a wonderful Harvest assembly.

Information External to the School -

- Fireworks Information. Please see letter below from Lancashire Constabulary.
- Adult Learning - Dementia Friends. Please see BwD BC poster below.
- Flu Immunisation - Children. Please see NHS poster below.

Diary

- Autumn 1 Half-Term ends Friday 24th October. School closed 27/10/25-31/10/25.
- Autumn 2 Half Term starts (school re-opens) Monday 3rd November
- Chester Zoo Visit Years 3 & 4, Monday 3rd November
- Blackburn Rovers FC 150th Anniversary, Wednesday 5th November - Option for children to wear blue and white own clothes

Attendance.

Well done to Year 3 who received the Attendance Award week. They had the best attendance in the school with 98.7%.

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
97.9%	96.0%	94.3%	98.7%	92.5%	90.4%	98.3%

Blackburn Rovers FC 150th Anniversary.

Children can wear own clothes in the colours of Rovers (Blue and White) on Wednesday 5th November.

Absence

For any/all types of absences, including illness, parents/carers need to call into school on every morning of the child's absence. You can speak to the Office staff or leave a message on the answer phone, but this needs to be done on every day of absence, as soon as you know

Mrs C. Speakman & Mrs D. Boardman





Blackburn Town Centre Police
Station
St Johns Court
Ainsworth Street
Blackburn
BB1 6AR

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



Blackburn with Darwen

**ADULT
LEARNING**



**Dementia
Friends**

An Alzheimer's Society initiative

Dementia Friends

Come along to this Dementia Friends Session and join the millions of people that are Dementia Friends. The session will provide you with a brief understanding of dementia, its causes and some of the different ways you can help to make a difference for people affected by the condition in your community.

**Audley NLC
Pringle Street
Blackburn
BB1 1SF**

**24/10/2025
1 Session
1:00 - 3:00pm**



HAS YOUR CHILD MISSED THEIR FLU VACCINE?

IntraHealth are holding catch-up flu vaccination
clinics this half-term.

Tuesday 28th October

 **Shadsworth Children's Hub
Shadsworth Road, BB1 2HR**

Book your appointment today!

 **Call 03333 583 397 → Option 2 → Option 2**



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