



CARLETON ST HILDA'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Learning Together with God

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ST HILDA'S NEWS

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Our Christian Value

Open hearts, open minds,
Learning together with God



The Christian community, like the world,
is a place of hope and love.



Hope

Christian hope means having faith in God's never failing love.

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."
John 1:15

come and join us
At Poulton Methodist Church
Nativity Festival
Thursday 11th 1.30-4pm
Friday 12th 10am-4pm
Saturday 13th 10am-4pm
Free entry.
Church Christmas coffee Morning 10-12 Saturday 13th
Café Style Carol Service
Sunday 14th 10.30am
A relaxed and interactive time of worship.
Come and explore the Christmas story in song,
story and craft.
Gifted
The Methodist Church

The children in Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 retold the Christmas story for our school family this week. Their singing was wonderful!

Everyone is invited to the Nativity Festival at Poulton Methodist Church this weekend. The Christmas story will be shared in a relaxed way with craft activities and music for children.

A Blessing Box for Advent



During Advent, we are collecting donations for a Blessing Box of gifts for Street Life which helps young people in our area who are struggling and need help.

Please put any donations of body wash sets, colouring books and colouring pens, sweets and chocolates in the box by the hall doors.

Thank you!



During Advent we are reversing the idea of an Advent calendar by collecting gifts. These will go to the local charity **Street Life**, helping young people who need support in our area. Donations of body wash sets, sweets and chocolates or colouring books and pens can be added to our Blessing Box near the hall doors in school or left at the office. Thank you for your support.



EYFS want to say a massive thank you to Carleton Tyres and Exhausts for their kind donation of a mud kitchen (as pictured).

As you can see it gets the thumbs up from our children and we are sure will give them many hours of enjoyment.



Year 1 and 2 really enjoyed performing for their families this week in their nativity called The Innspectors. Mrs Pook and Miss Gee are very proud of them!



Well done also to our EYFS children who performed their Nativity this week. We are so proud of them.

Thank you to all parents and guardians who came to watch the children in all of the productions this week.



Congratulations to all our annual Christmas hat day winners !

These are just a few of the wonderful hats that were on display today in our morning hat parade!

Mindful Moments

Deep Breathing Christmas Tree

TRACE THE RIBBONS ON THE TREE.

TRACE UP & BREATHE IN.

TRACE DOWN & BREATHE OUT.



Days and time: Tuesday 30 December at 2.00pm to 3.00pm

Type: Arts, Children, Health and wellbeing, Community

Description

Come along to Central Library and join our Mindful Makers session for young people aged 11 to 17, and create a personal journal as we step into a new calendar year. Journaling helps us to track our habits and work through our emotions, to enable us to be healthier and happier for 2026.

Our friends from the NHS Children and Young People Primary Mental Health Service and SHINE Team will be there with information to help us improve our emotional wellbeing, mental fitness and resilience as we craft together.

Booking essential, please call into the library, telephone: 01253 478080 or email: central.library@blackpool.gov.uk.

For further information contact your local library or check our social media.

Blackpool Libraries Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/BlackpoolLibraries/>

**NHS****Blackpool Teaching
Hospitals**
NHS Foundation Trust

MENTAL HEALTH HELPLINES TEXT & WEB BASED SUPPORT



Should you find you are struggling with overwhelming feelings and emotions, here are a few resources available for you 24 hours a day.



The RAIS Team is based at Blackpool Victoria Hospital. They see young people up to age 25 who require mental health support out of normal hours. They offer urgent support 7 days a week across Fylde & Wyre.

0800 121 7762 option 2 or
bfbh.rais.team@nhs.net



The Young Minds Crisis Messenger text service provides free, 24/7 crisis support across the UK. Text YM to 85258.

They offer help and support no matter what kind of crime you have been affected by.

- Specialist services are available to support with
 - have been affected by hate crime
 - have been affected by rape and/or sexual assault
 - are under the age of 18
 - are a victim of domestic abuse
- lancashirevictimservices.org

**LANCASHIRE
VICTIM
SERVICES**

Mental Health Crisis Line
0800 953 0110
24 hours a day
7 days a week

Lancashire Mental Health Crisis Line is available 24 hours a day. It is staffed by trained mental health professionals. Call: 0800 953 0110



HOPELINEUK is a confidential advice service for young people under the age of 35 who are experiencing thoughts of suicide. Call: 0800 068 4141 Text: 88247



Nest Lancashire has been set up to support young people aged 5 to 18 (and to 25 for anyone who has learning needs) who have been impacted by crime.

We are a charity, you can talk to us in confidence, and all of our services are free of charge. Our aim is to help you recover from whatever it is you have experienced and our trained, friendly staff will be able to help you move forward and feel safe again.



Whatever you're going through, a Samaritan will face it with you. 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Call free: 116 123



Calm Harm

Calm Harm is a totally free app that helps you 'ride the wave' of the urge to hurt yourself. This urge feels most powerful when you start wanting to self-harm.



sidebyside.mind.org.uk

Mind's online community Side by Side is a supportive place where you can feel at home talking about your mental health and connect with others who understand.



Togetherall

Togetherall is a unique mental health service offering an anonymous and safe support community. They provide a range of self-guided support through our 24/7.



Childline is a free, private and confidential service where you can talk about anything. For you online, on the phone, anytime. Ring: 0800 111

Visit: www.childline.org.uk



Kooth is a free, anonymous online chat and emotional wellbeing service for young people aged 11 to 25
www.kooth.com



Self Referrals from Young people, Parents and Carers

Do you
worry ?

Do Have
problems
sleeping ?

Have you got
low Mood ?

Are you feeling
anxious

Do you have
feelings
of stress ?

Do Have
feelings
of panic ?

Fylde Coast SHINE MHST supports children and young people, currently attending education settings, noted below.

We support with mild to moderate mental health difficulties through time-limited intervention, where symptoms have been present for less than 12 months.

SHINE MHST is not an urgent response service



Support and Help IN Education
Fylde Coast Mental Health Support Team

If you attend the following schools we
accept Self Referral's

- AKS Lytham
- Armfield Academy
- Athena School
- Baines School (High)
- Blackpool Aspire Academy
- Blackpool & Fylde College
- Blackpool Sixth Form
- Brookfield School
- Carr Hill High School
- Cardinal Allen Catholic High School
- Fleetwood High School
- Garstang Community Academy
- Great Arley School
- Highfield Leadership Academy
- Highfurlong SEN School
- Hodgson Academy
- Kirkham Grammar High School
- Lytham St Anne's High School
- Millfield Science and Performing Arts College
- Montgomery Academy
- Park Community Academy
- Pear Tree School
- Pegasus
- Redmarsh School
- Saint Bedes Catholic High
- South Shore Academy
- St. Aidans Church of England High School
- St. Mary's Catholic Academy
- St George's Church of England Academy
- The Maple School
- Unity Academy Blackpool
- Woodlands School

How to self refer to the Team

Call us directly to self-refer, and our administration team will arrange for our duty practitioner to make a consultation call to parent/carer/young person and complete a self-referral form to establish whether SHINE is the best service to offer support to the young person.



0800 121 7762 (Option 4)

If you have any further questions, do not
hesitate to contact us directly and one of our
team will respond to you.

Follow us on social media ?

@cyp_primarymentalhealthservice

Dear Carleton St Hildas Dream Team!!!

I just wanted to say a huge thank you to your children and staff that attended yesterdays Santa Dash at Breck Primary School! The food and drink that we received will be going a very long way to ensuring those in need go without this Christmas!

As ever your children were brilliant and polite and it was great to see them spread some Christmas cheer!

I hope you all have a very well rested Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year!

Warm regards,

Lee Cadwallader
Wyre & Fylde Schools Sports Partnership School Games Organiser



Staffing Update

We are delighted to announce that Miss Thompson and her partner are expecting a baby early February. She currently teaches two days a week in Year 5 and this will be covered by Miss Fielden. Her SENCO role will be covered by Mrs Curl and Mrs Young. To ensure we still have leadership capacity in school Mr Leatham (responsible for KS2) and Mrs Pook (responsible for KS1) will be acting Assistant Heads for the Spring and Summer terms.

Mrs Pook will also be having a period of absence from school as she has a knee replacement operation. This will be middle of January for approximately 6 weeks.

We are really pleased that Mrs Harley will be returning to teach the Year 2 class (Monday to Thursday) and Mr Leatham will continue to teach Year 2 on a Friday.

Attendance

The happiness and educational progress of all our children are our main priorities and we believe that good attendance is a major way in which these priorities can be achieved.

Our school target is 96%. For the week reported below we were not able to achieve this with attendance at 95.8%

Whilst we appreciate absences may be due to illness, or other reasons authorised by school, we ask for your support in this matter.

Each week on the newsletter we will be celebrating the class who has the highest attendance.

For the week ending Friday 5th December , congratulations go to:

Year : **R/EYFS**

Attendance : **98.1%**

Most Improved class this week : **R/EYFS**



ST HILDA'S CHRISTMAS POST BOX !

Now in use for children to send cards to each other throughout school.

They need to put the following details on the envelope :

First Name

Last Name

Class /Year Group

Stars of the Week

EYFS : All of Reception

Year 1: Maria

Year 2 : All of Year 2

Year 3 : Alfred

Year 4 : Alya

Year 5 : All of Year 5

Year 6 : Ava Rose



Well Done !

PAYMENTS

**All school dinner and
extended school fees for
NOVEMBER & DECEMBER should
now be paid in full.**

**Please all check your
Scopay accounts and make any
payments required.**

**Ad hoc bookings for Extended School
require payment on the date of booking.**

Please find information/flyers attached
about various local activities and events
attached along with general information
which may be of interest.

Wishing you all a lovely week end.

Jane Curl

Head teacher.

UPCOMING DATES :

Tuesday 16th Dec

**2pm—KS2 Carol service in
church led by Year 6.**

**Year 6 parents/guardians
invited.**

Wednesday 17th Dec

**KS1 & EYFS party day
Children can come in to school
their party clothes**

Thursday 18th Dec

**KS2 party day
Children can come in to school
in their party clothes.**

Friday 19th Dec

Christmas Non Uniform Day

**9am—Carols around the tree
Parents/guardians invited.**

**School closes for Christmas at
2pm. No after school club.**

Monday 5th Jan

Return to school at 8.50am

Christmas celebrations at St Hilda's



This is to give you an overview of the events and celebrations that will be taking place this half term. All of these dates will also be advertised through the weekly newsletter.

During the month of December the Year 6 children will help to organise the Secret Santa Workshop, where children can bring in £1 to buy a gift for their family or friends.

Tuesday 25th November (afternoon): Panto in school (whole school and pre school)

School Christmas tree arrives – decorated by the EYFS children

Sunday 30th November: Service of Light at St Hilda's Church 3pm. Choir will be performing

Friday 5th December (morning): Salvation Army Gift Appeal service in school. Children are invited to donate a gift (new or nearly new)

Monday 8th December: Year 6 'Santa Dash' at Breck Primary School (donations for the food bank) organised by Wyre and Fylde Sports Association

Tuesday 9th December: Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas performance 2.15pm in school

Wednesday 10th December: Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas performance 6pm in school

Thursday 11th December: Nursery and EYFS Christmas performance 6pm in school

Friday 12th December: Christmas Hat Parade – make your creations at home and bring into school to wear on the day. Christmas Jumper Day (donations to Save the Children) all children invited to wear a Christmas jumper with their normal school uniform.

Friday 12th December: Christmas Dinner (whole school)

Tuesday 16th December: KS2 carol service at St Hilda's Church 2pm. Year 6 to lead the service

Wednesday 17th December: EYFS and KS1 party afternoon. Come in your party clothes!

Thursday 18th December: KS2 party afternoon. Come in your party clothes!

Friday 19th December: Christmas themed non-uniform day

Friday 19th December: Carols around the tree 9am. Parents and friends are welcome to join us in school and afterwards for refreshments

Friday 19th December: school finishes at 2pm

Every Friday (term time) 9.30am-11.30am



INFORMATION WORKSHOPS

Aiming Higher
231-233 Church Street,
Blackpool, FY1 3PB

7TH NOVEMBER – SEN ADVISORY TEACHER SERVICE

14TH NOVEMBER – DIAGNOSIS PATHWAYS

21ST NOVEMBER – NO SESSION THIS WEEK

28TH NOVEMBER – RIGHT TO CHOOSE PATHWAYS

5TH DECEMBER – NO SESSION THIS WEEK

12TH DECEMBER – EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY REPORTS

19TH DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS QUIZ & CRAFTS

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND THE FULL TIMETABLE
VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.AIMINGHIGHERCHARITY.ORG.UK**

Registered Charity Number 1209150





POOLFOOT FARM FOOTBALL CAMP

22nd & 23rd December | 9am - 4pm

£14 per day

- Ages 5-13 Years (*half days available for 4 year olds*)
- Football, Games & Activities
- Daily themed sessions & prizes!

Must wear appropriate football clothing:

- Shin Pads
- Suitable footwear for Astroturf
- Water Bottle
- Packed Lunches

For more info:

Community@fleetwoodtownfc.com

www.fleetwoodtownfcct.com

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TO BOOK**

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**HAF SPACES
AVAILABLE:**



Or please visit:

www.wyre.gov.uk/holiday-clubs-kids



| Week beginning: | Event: |
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| 1st September | Inset Day Foundation Stage (part time) |
| 8th September | Foundation Stage (full time) Send out data collection sheets 8 th Monday: Meet the Teacher Evening 5pm - 6pm (in classrooms) Year group expectations and welcome letters sent home Thursday 11 th Accelerated Reader information drop in for parents available until 6pm |
| 15th September | Wednesday 17 th Tower Wood meeting for Y6 parents 5pm Wednesday 17 th Accelerated Reader information drop in for parents available until 6pm Wednesday 17 th Y1 history walk to church 17 th Cre8ability course starts (hall) x 6 weeks School clubs start |
| 22nd September | Tuesday 23 rd Reception: Come Learn with Me! (phonics) 3 – 3.30 24 th Messy Church in school Wednesday Cre8ability course starts (hall) x 6 weeks |
| 29 th September | 30 th Rev Lamb leading whole school worship and talking to Y4 Wednesday Cre8ability course starts (hall) x 6 weeks |
| 6th October | 6 th Rev Jim to lead Harvest Worship Tuesday 7 th Blackburn Cathedral trip Year 6 Wednesday 8 th Y2 Synagogue trip Wednesday 8 th - KS2 Harvest Y5 to lead in church 2pm Wednesday Cre8ability course Thursday 9 th – Open morning new parents 9.30 |
| 13th October | TOWER WOOD – Year 6 Tuesday 14 th – Open morning new parents 9.30 Tuesday 14 th - Y5 - the Road to RIAT STEM Challenge: Space Challenge Tuesday 14 th - KS1 Harvest activities in school 2.45pm (parents invited) Wednesday Cre8ability course Friday 17 th – Open morning new parents 9.30 |
| 20th October | Tuesday 21 st - Y4 visit to church 1.30pm Wednesday Cre8ability course Thursday 23 rd INSET Day and Friday 24 th INSET Day |
| October | HALF TERM |
| 3rd November | 5th SCARF (social and emotional education) working with Y4,5,6 Friday 7 th – open morning new parents 9.30 |
| 10th November | 11 th Open morning new parents 9.30 12 th Imran Kotwall whole school assembly and working with Y3,4,5,6 Parents Evening (Monday and Thursday) Friday 14 th Flu immunisation |
| 17th November | 18 th Tuesday Reception: Come Learn with Me! (maths) 3 – 3.30 |
| 24th November | Tuesday 25 th School Panto Little Red Riding Hood Sunday 30 th Service of Light St Hilda's Church choir to sing |
| 1st December | Start of Advent 5th Salvation Army Gift service |
| 8th December | Monday – dress rehearsal for school (KS1 performance) |

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| | Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Performance Tuesday 2.15pm / Wednesday 6pm Wednesday – dress rehearsal for EYFS / Nursery performance Thursday: Reception and Nursery – Christmas Performance 6pm Friday 12 th Christmas school lunch Hat Parade (Christmas jumper day) |
| 15th December | Tuesday 16th – KS2 carol service in church 2pm led by Y6 Wednesday 17th – KS1 and EYFS party day Thursday 18th – Key Stage 2 party day Friday 19th – Carols and Around the Tree (with parents) 9am School finishes at 2pm |
| | Christmas holidays 22nd December – 5 th January 2026 |



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY NORTH

**Do you have a child starting
primary school in September 2026
and living in Lancashire?**

Closing date: 15 January 2026

You **must** apply even if a brother or sister is already at the school,
or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

Apply for a school place now by scanning
the QR code or visit [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference,
please check the guidance on our website, or call **01524 581148**.

**HAVE
YOUR SAY**

*Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with
you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs.
To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces
and click 'school admission policies'.*

[lancashire.gov.uk](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk)



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