

Lower Darwen Primary School

Milking Lane, Lower Darwen BB3 0RB

We are proud of our school.

Headteacher: Mrs S Addy BA (Hons)

Newsletter 29
Friday 1st May 2026

Diary Dates

Year 6 SATS (week commencing)

School closes for Half-Term

School Re-opens

School Photographer (Individual Photos)

School Closes for the Summer Holidays (1.15pm)

Monday, 11th May 2026

Friday, 22nd May 2026

Wednesday, 3rd June 2026

Tuesday, 16th June 2026

Friday, 17th July 2026

Star of the Week

Every week we will tell you, on the newsletter, of the name of the child in each class, who has been awarded 'Star of the Week'.

This week's 'Star of the Week' winners are: -

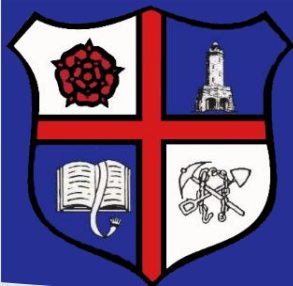
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| Reception L: | Ellis |
| Reception D: | Kameel |
| Class 1L: | Pippa |
| Class 1D: | Louis |
| Class 2L: | Mtheo |
| Class 2D: | Charlie |
| Class 3L: | Sonum |
| Class 3D: | Kobi |
| Class 4L: | Evie |
| Class 4D: | Carson |
| Class 5L: | Aurora |
| Class 5D: | Amelia |
| Class 6L: | Alice |
| Class 6D: | Bruno |
| KS2 HIP | Inaaya |

This week's 'Dojo Champions of the Week' are: -

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| Class RL | Freddie | Class RD | Phoenix | Class 1L | Lennie G | Class 1D | Elle |
| Class 2L | Albie | Class 2D | Charlie & Alicia | Class 3L | Ava | Class 3D | Kobi |
| Class 4L | Freya | Class 4D | Aadiya | Class 5L | Alana | Class 5D | Ella |
| Class 6L | Phoebe | Class 6D | Eva | KS2 HIP | Khadijah | | |

School Photographer

The school photographer is in school on **Tuesday 16th June** to take individual photographs. Sibling photos will also be taken. Ideally, weather permitting, these will be taken outside again.



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We are Proud of –

Haroon in Year 1 who has recently appeared on Tiny Tunes, which is now available on BBC iPlayer. He appears in the following episodes:

- The Grand Old Duke of York
- Jack and Jill
- Row, Row, Row your boat

Links to watch him are below:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m002vq0d/tiny-tunes-series-1-10-the-grand-old-duke-of-york>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m002vq14/tiny-tunes-series-1-14-jack-and-jill>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m002vq2n/tiny-tunes-series-1-21-row-row-row-your-boat>



Well Done **Haroon** – your parents are very proud of you as are we !

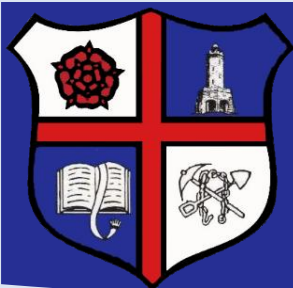
and...

Grace in Year 3, who recently gained her 3rd kickboxing belt yesterday, her green belt – what a fantastic achievement!

Grace is pictured here with her Sensei, Owen.

Well Done Grace – we are very proud of you and your parents are too.





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Visit to Mergon

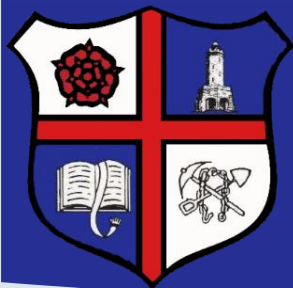
We were delighted to give some of our Year 5 pupils the opportunity to visit **Mergon**, a leading company that designs, develops, and manufactures assemblies and components used in some of the world's most well-known innovative products. The visit gave the children valuable insight into real world applications of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and how they're used in industry.

The lucky youngsters, together with **Mrs Arrandale** and **Mr Reid** who accompanied them, had a thoroughly enjoyable and informative time there and all received a goodie bag. They all represented the school brilliantly too.

I would personally like to thank Mergon for this opportunity.

The children who attended were: **Adam, Brooke, Cody, Eddie, Emilia, Eshaal, Freddie, Jack, Kanye, Lara-Rae, Lennon, Marnie, Noelle, Seth, Ted and Zane.**





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SATS Timetables

Monday, 11th May 2026

Tuesday, 12th May 2026

Wednesday, 13th May 2026

Thursday, 14th May 2026

English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling
(Papers 1 and 2)

English Reading Test

Mathematics (Paper 1) Arithmetic

Mathematics (Paper 2) Reasoning

Mathematics (Paper 3) Reasoning

Polite Reminders

Pupils are not permitted access to the trim trail or adventure playground before or after school - it is only for use when supervised by school staff.

If you are asked to move your car by a member of staff, please be courteous to them.

****Please be assured that all the above are purely for the health and safety of your children****

A big thank you to all of the parents who took the time to complete the Road Safety questionnaire following our visit from Andrew MacNae. The letter that has been sent to Andy, along with the results of the questionnaire has been emailed to you all separately. I will, of course, keep you updated with any further developments.

I would also like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for parking considerately and for your continued support in helping to keep everyone safe at drop-off and pick-up times. Your cooperation is very much appreciated.

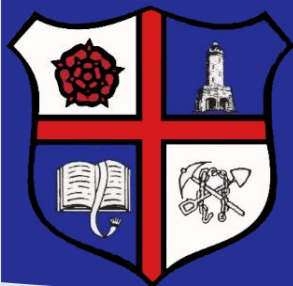
Nut Free School

Please can I remind you that we are a NUT FREE school, due to several of our children having a nut allergy. This includes KINDER BUENO chocolate bars - we do know some are nut free but it is very difficult, in limited time over the lunch period, for our welfare staff to distinguish.

Finally...

I would like to send our best wishes and Good Luck to **Mrs Dwyer** (Year 1 teacher) who leaves today to start her maternity leave. Her baby is due in the next few weeks and I will keep you posted on the forthcoming arrival.

Simone Addy, Headteacher



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Community Events

Curious Cats Community

MAY HALF TERM MUDDY MEET UP

Victoria Park, Cambridge Street
Haslingden

WEDS 27TH MAY 10AM - 12PM

Join me at Victoria Park for a fun filled, learning experience in the great outdoors. We have a tyre swing, a hammock, obstacle courses, den building, nature crafts, mud kitchen, tool bench and team games. Throughout the session, there is an opportunity to try fire lighting and cook a tasty treat!

£7.50 per child incl. drinks and campfire treats for everyone!

Under 2's and brews are always free!

Private group session for bookings of 10 or more are available from 1-3pm



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