

Lower Darwen Primary School

Milking Lane, Lower Darwen BB3 0RB

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Headteacher: Mrs S Addy BA (Hons)

Newsletter 31
Friday 15th May 2026

Diary Dates

School closes for Half-Term

School Re-opens

School Photographer (Individual Photos)

School Closes for the Summer Holidays (1.15pm)

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: -

Reception L:	Kathleena Rose
Reception D:	Cooper
Class 1L:	Callahan
Class 1D:	Carson
Class 2L:	Sadie
Class 2D:	Albie
Class 3L:	Ollie
Class 3D:	Molly
Class 4L:	James
Class 4D:	Aarna
Class 5L:	Barkley
Class 5D:	Noah
Class 6L:	Whole of Class 6L
Class 6D:	Whole of Class 6D
KS2 HIP	Habeeba, Inaaya, Muhammad Ahmed and Muhammad Awais

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

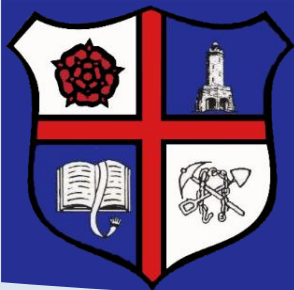
Class RL	Reggie	Class RD	Jack	Class 1L	Willow	Class 1D	Charlie
Class 2L	Phoebe	Class 2D	Arya	Class 3L	Willow	Class 3D	Kayen
Class 4L	Tiffany	Class 4D	Aadiya	Class 5L	Ted	Class 5D	Eleanor
Class 6L	Whole Class 6L	Class 6D	Whole Class 6D	KS2 HIP	Khadijah		

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.

Ice Pop Sale

Ice pops will be on sale after school next Thursday (21st May) for 50p. All proceeds go towards the Year 6 Leavers' party.



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Key Stage Two SATs Week

A special mention to **all of Year 6** who have completed some very challenging KS2 SATS papers this week. I'm sure your hard work will have paid off. The outcome of the tests does not define these children because each and every one of them has their own talents and personalities that cannot be measured by test. Those going, can now look forward to their residential trip to Robinwood, on **3rd June 2025**.

They all enjoyed an ice cream this afternoon when the ice cream van visited.

Mergon Visit

We were delighted to give a further group of our Year 5 pupils the opportunity to visit local company, **Mergon**. Again, 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.

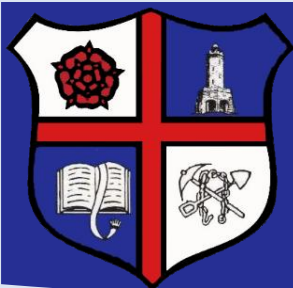
The lucky youngsters, together with **Mrs Arrandale, Mr Reid and Mrs Walker** who accompanied them, had a thoroughly enjoyable and informative time there and all received a goodie bag. They were all brilliant ambassadors for the school.

Thanks again to **Mergon** for their hospitality towards us.

The children were:

Alana, Amelia, Aurora, Barkley, Ella, Erin, Finlay, Harry, Jack, Matylda, Max, Owen, Paris, Sophie, Tillie-Mae and Zackary.





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We are Proud of –



Well Done to **Olivia** in Year 1 for winning 1st and 3rd place in her Acro dance competition last Sunday.

She had the best day dancing with all her dance friends at Rothwell arts dance academy.

Your parents (and Grandad Andrew) are very proud of you, as are we.

Birthday Celebrations

Cakes and sweet treats cannot be brought in from home for your child's birthday. This is due to allergies in school and especially the new laws that have and are recently coming out (Natasha's Law and Benedict's Law).

Birthdays are celebrated in Friday's assembly and the children are given an iced cake from school and are sung Happy Birthday to.

I trust you will all understand and respect this decision going forward.

A new Behaviour Policy will be sent out to all parents and carers starting from June 2026 who use the Breakfast Club and After School Club. Please take the time to read through the policy carefully, sign the attached letter, and return it to school as soon as possible. Thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Finally...

I'd like to share the wonderful news that **Mrs Dwyer** gave birth to a little boy, **Jude**, earlier this week. Mum and baby are doing well.

Simone Addy, Headteacher