

Lower Darwen Primary School

Milking Lane, Lower Darwen BB3 0RB

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Headteacher: Mrs S Addy BA (Hons)

Newsletter 34

Friday 12th June 2026

Diary Dates

Drowning Prevention/Water Safety Week	w/c 15th June 2026
School Photographer (Individual Photos)	Tuesday, 16th June 2026
Non-Uniform Day (World Cup theme – see below)	Wednesday, 17th June 2026
Father's Day event (reception classes – details to follow)	Monday, 22nd June 2026
Sports Day - Years 3 and 4 - (9.30 – 11.30am)	Monday, 29th June 2026
Sports Day – Years 5 and 6 – (1pm – 3pm)	Monday, 29th June 2026
Sports Day – Reception, Years 1 and 2 - (9.30 – 11.30am)	Wednesday, 1st July 2026
Summer Fayre (5 – 7 pm) *All Welcome*	Wednesday, 1st July 2026
Whole School Transition Day	Thursday, 2nd July 2026
Young Entrepreneurs' Market Day	Wednesday, 8th July 2026
School Reports out to Parents	Friday, 10th July 2026
Drowning Prevention/Water Safety week	W/C 13th July 2026
Year 6 'Greatest Show' performance for parents (6pm)	Wednesday 15th July 2026
Leavers Awards	Friday 17th July 2026
School Closes for the Summer Holidays (12.45pm)	Friday, 17th July 2026

Star of the Week

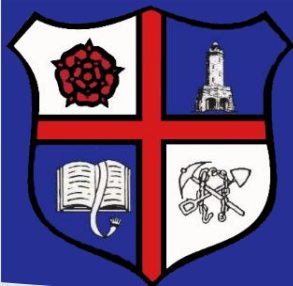
Every week we will tell you, on the newsletter, of the name of the child in each class, who has been awarded 'Star of the Week'.

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

Reception L:	Harper
Reception D:	Kruz
Class 1L:	Lennox K
Class 1D:	Haroon
Class 2L:	Aurora
Class 2D:	Aida
Class 3L:	Maison
Class 3D:	Charlie
Class 4L:	Tiffany
Class 4D:	Harsh
Class 5L:	Safia
Class 5D:	Lennon
Class 6L	Mohammed S
Class 6D	Jess B & Joseph
KS1 HIP	Aurora
KS2 HIP	Ahmed H

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

Class RL	Ace	Class RD	Phoenix	Class 1L	Harry	Class 1D	Oscar
Class 2L	Annie	Class 2D	Eden & Emilia	Class 3L	Tommy	Class 3D	Millie ST
Class 4L	Karson	Class 4D	Lennon	Class 5L	Lara	Class 5D	Lennon
Class 6L	Jacob	Class 6D	Minnie & Toby	KS2 HIP	Carter		



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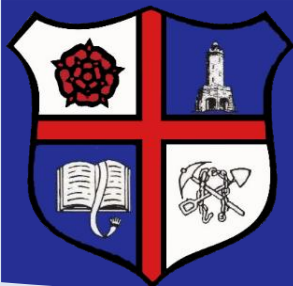
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Class Structure 2026/27

Please find the list below of whose class (which teacher) your child will be moving up to in September. Transition day, when they will meet their new teacher and spend the day in their new class will be on Thursday, 2nd July.

Old Class	Class / Teacher	Support
	Reception L – Miss K Bradley	Mrs S Rewaj
	Reception D – Miss S Hudson	Miss J Walton
Reception L	Class 1L – Mrs H Fleck (newly appointed teacher)	Mrs R Baxter
Reception D	Class 1D – Miss H Ward	Mrs S Hicks
Class 1L	Class 2L – Mrs H Smith	Mrs H Carr
Class 1D	Class 2D – Mr E Reid	Mrs G Pickering
Class 2L	Class 3L – Mrs J Coward	Mrs Eastwood
Class 2D	Class 3D – Mrs T Omar	Mrs Eastwood
Class 3L	Class 4L – Mr W Hesketh	Mrs Feeney
Class 3D	Class 4R – Miss S Rowan	Mrs Feeney
Class 4L	Class 5L – Mrs R Whittaker	Mrs Lee
Class 4D	Class 5D – Mr W Leach (newly appointed teacher)	Mrs Lee
Class 5L	Class 6L – Mrs R Dagnall	Mrs Arrandale
Class 5D	Class 6D – Mrs L Taylor	Miss Margerison



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Young Entrepreneurs' Market Day!

Wednesday 8th July

Throughout the year, a number of children have proudly shared their special talents, creative hobbies, and entrepreneurial ideas with me. Many have been excited to tell me about the products they make and sell, and have asked whether they could sell them at school.

To make this opportunity fair and accessible to everyone, we are delighted to announce our very own **Young Entrepreneurs' Market Day!**

For one day only, children who create and sell their own products are invited to bring them into school and showcase their talents. We will provide tables for each entrepreneur, and at the end of the school day we will open our doors to families, who will have the opportunity to browse and purchase the wonderful items on offer. Whether it's handmade crafts, artwork, bookmarks, jewellery, baked goods, or another creative venture, we are excited to celebrate the imagination, determination, and business skills of our pupils.

We look forward to supporting and celebrating your ventures!

To help us plan the event and allocate space, please let the school office know if your child intends to bring products to sell.

We can't wait to see the fantastic ideas our young entrepreneurs have been working on!

LDPS Sporting Events

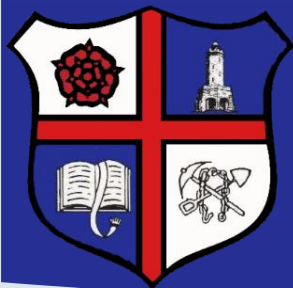
Year 5/6 Netball Final

On Tuesday night our netball team competed in the 'Beestinger' netball final at Darwen Vale High School. All players competed really well, showing great support for each other and gained a fantastic second place!

This is the first time for a significant number of years that the netball team has medalled at the final and to gain silver medals is brilliant - Well Done ! Thanks to the parents who were there to cheer the team on and thanks to **Mrs Dagnall, Mr Eastwood** and **Mrs Omar** for their help with their coaching and support of the team.



Team: **Evie, Grace, Hayden, Isabella, Jess B, Katie, Leo and Sophia.**



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Non-Uniform Day

This will take place on Wednesday 17th June 2026 and we ask the children to come in World Cup theme clothing – this can be sportswear, football kits or traditional clothing from around the world or England themed clothing and accessories (this can be as simple as something red, white or blue). In exchange for this can your child please bring the following, which will be used as prizes/ tombola at our Summer Fair.

Reception Class, Year 5 and Year 6	Chocolate or Sweets
Year 1 and Year 2	£1 donation
Year 3 and Year 4	Bottles (pop, alcohol or toiletries)

After School Club

Due to safeguarding reasons, there will be no After School Club on the evening of Wednesday 1st July, as the Summer Fair will be taking place.

NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. Programme

I am pleased to inform you that we are participating in the NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. Programme this term. Speak out. Stay safe. is a programme for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline. This will take place in June.

This child friendly programme is aligned with the curriculum and consists of age-appropriate virtual assemblies and supporting classroom-based activities which we have reviewed, alongside NSPCC volunteer led face to face workshops for our children in years 2, 5 and 6. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy.

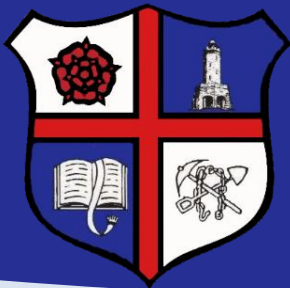
Parents and carers are asked to let school know if their child may have experienced anything (in the past or happening now) which may mean they need extra support before, during or after taking part in this programme.

If you would like to know more about the Speak out. Stay safe. programme visit www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout or you can discuss this with Mrs Dyrda.

Early Finish for Summer

Please note that we will be finishing early on Friday 17th July at **12.45pm**. There will be no After School Club on this day and dinners.....

Simone Addy, Headteacher



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Community Events



Join the Fun at Blackburn Rugby Club

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Wed 15th July - 4pm-5:30pm
School Years 2 and 3 (Age 6-8)

Fun Games & Activities
No experience needed

Boys & Girls Welcomed
Sign Up Today!

For more details and to confirm attendance pls contact:
Mark Bullen on:
Schoools_blackburnrugby@gmail.com
or message: 07850 784543

Blackburn Rugby Club, Ramsgreave Dr, Blackburn BB1 8NB



FAMILY FUN DAY

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE

11AM - 4PM

STALLS

FACE PAINT

INFLATABLES

AND SO MUCH MORE!

LOCATION:
SQUARE MEADOW FIELD
DARWEN BB3 3AU

£10 WRISTBAND ENTRY
INCLUDES ACCESS TO ALL INFLATABLES!

£4 ENTRY FOR GENERAL ADMISSION

Bring the whole family for a fantastic day out!