



# Black Lane CP School

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Newsletter October 2024

### Online Payments

All payments should be made through Parent Pay  
Snack, dinners and school trips etc. will be available to pay online. If you need any help then please speak to Mrs Blackmore who will be happy to help.  
All school meals and breakfast club sessions must be booked and paid for if required in advance.

### Snack

A reminder that school snack is provided at the minimal cost of £1.00 a week. Payments should be made at the start of each term/half term. We are a healthy school and adhere to this with school snack. If children are bringing their own snack to school please ensure that this is in line with our school policy.

### Staff Car Park

The car park is for staff only to ensure the safety of staff and pupils. If you are a blue badge holder, please contact the school prior to any visit to gain access. Thank you.

### Parents Evening

We will be holding parents evening on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October. You can book your 10-minute slot via our school website. Times are available between 15:10pm – 16:50pm for Foundation Phase and 15:20pm – 16:50pm for KS2.



### Water Bottles

We encourage all children to drink regularly throughout the day, please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day.

### Attendance & Punctuality

We are now following Wrexham's new Attendance Policy. Please visit [www.blacklaneschool.co.uk](http://www.blacklaneschool.co.uk) to view the policy in full.  
Where possible dental, hospital & other appointments should be made out of school hours and holiday requests will no longer be authorised unless in exceptional circumstances.  
School starts at 8.55am, please ensure children are on the yard ready for the bell.  
The Local Authority has reintroduced fixed penalty notices for children who are persistently late or absent from school.

### Illness

If your child is going to be absent from school then we kindly request that you call the school office on 01978 757959. Class Dojo should not be used for reporting pupil absence or reporting to members of staff on the yard. If your child is off school and no contact has been made then school staff will follow up with a phone call and may arrange a home visit.

### Dates for the diary

15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	PTA Monster Mash
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	School Training Day – School closed for children
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October	HALF TERM
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	School opens – back to school for the children
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Non School Uniform Day
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Christmas Bingo
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 3&4 Trip to Pentrellyncymer
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Years 3&4 Return from Pentrellyncymer
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner Day
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Christmas concert
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception – Year 6 Pantomime Trip (Morning visit)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Santa Visit Day
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School Training day – School closed for children
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School Training day – School closed for children
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	School opens – back to school for the children

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## What's been going on

### Harvest

The beginning of October we held our annual collection of food which was donated to our local food bank. A massive thank you to everyone who donated food items, it is important to teach children about giving. By giving to others we learn about compassion and empathy for others. Thank you for your continued support. If you need to access any food vouchers please call: 0300 330 1178

### Roald Dahl day

The children had lots of fun celebrating Roald Dahl day. Recipes were written inspired by George's marvellous medicine and dream catchers were crafted like the BFG's. Also, children created their own, very mean farmer and maps in relation to Fantastic Mr Fox!

### Spectrum

Foundation Phase and KS2 have all taken part in our Spectrum workshops. These workshops are linked to health and well-being and highlight the importance of healthy relationships.

### Urdd Multi Sports

Years 4-6 have had the opportunity to take part in a Multi Sports after school session with Poppy, our Urdd coach. Poppy based her activities off the children's interests and also gave the children a taster of different sports.

### AmaSing

We are continuing to work with AmaSing to develop expressive arts skills with children in years 3-6. Children from years 3-6 are working with an expressive arts specialist to develop wellbeing, confidence and self-esteem through music, dance and drama.

### Library Visits

Yr Wyddfa and Tryfan went on a library visit this half term. Children were able to look at books in relation to their topic 'Conflict'. The local History group showed the children some artefacts from WW2. The children were really interested to see how the air-raids affected the local area.

If any of your relatives have any information to share with the children in relation to WW2, they would be so grateful.

### Christmas Concerts

This year's Christmas concerts dates and times:

#### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Nursery: 10:00am

#### Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Reception – Year 2: 9:30am  
Year 3 – Year 6: 13:30pm

#### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Year 3 – Year 6: 9:30am  
Reception – Year 2: 13:30pm

### PTA

The PTA have been busy organising exciting events for our children here at Black Lane.

#### **Monster Mash Disco – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

Reception - Year 2 - 4pm-5pm  
Year 3 - 6 - 5pm - 6pm  
£2.00 per child to be paid on Parentpay

#### **PTA Christmas Bingo**

The PTA will be hosting a Christmas Bingo this year. This will be instead of a Christmas Fayre.  
5:15pm – 8:00pm

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November school are holding a Non-School Uniform day. We ask that the children bring in a donation for the Christmas bingo.

### Bryn Alyn's Extravaganza

Year 5 and 6 had a great time at the Ysgol Bryn Alyn Extravaganza yesterday. They took part in different activities put on by the staff at YBA. A huge well done to all our pupils who were fantastic representatives for our school.

### National Eisteddfod

Children were invited to come into school in non-school uniform in exchange for £1.00 to help raise money for the National Eisteddfod that is coming to Wrexham next year. It was lovely to see the children in their Welsh colours. We would like to thank everyone who donated their £1.00 and we have raised a total of £89.00. The payment item is still available for those who still need to donate their £1.00.

Diolch yn fawr iawn i bawb!