



# Newsletter

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**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

## Merit Award Winners – Being Thoughtful

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Writer of the Week	Mathematician of the Week
RR	Joshua	Riley	Alice	Lana	Curtis
RW	Charlie	Reuben	Elodie	Abigail	Max
1H	Ethan	Joshua	Finley	Holly	Eloise
1G	Logan	Belle	William	Alfie	Oscar
1M	William	Sophie	Lucy	Luke	Jasmine
2SD	Reuben	Bella	Ruby	George	Ben
2M	Freddie	Lois	Oliver	Harry	Nathan
3H	Ruby	William	Brooke	Amelia	Jake
3F	Sophie	Ellie	Dylan	Jayden	Emily
4S	Grace	Thomas	Lily	Alfie	Ava
4M	Joshua	Millie	Libby	Michael	Jessica
5K	Isabel	Emilia	Abigail	Jacob	Cate
5A	Samuel	Skyla-Rose	Miya	Ruby	Ollie
5J	Ryan	Jessica	Lois	Joe	Amelia
6H	Imogen	Ava	Emma	Darcy	Charlie
6M	Harry	Abigail	Hayden	Daisy	Sienna

### House Points

Congratulations to Red and Blue House who are this week's joint winners.

### Out of School Achievers

James – Kumon Maths and English, Noah – Crazy Pups Fun Run, Emma – Green Blue Peter Badge, Emma & Lewis – Northwest Counties Sports Hall Athletics Championships, Lily – Best Effort Trophy in Judo, Charlie – Level 1 Swimming. Congratulations to Thomas, Sam and Oliver who have successfully qualified for Town Team. Well done boys!

### Breakfast Club Dance Off Winners

Well done to this week's winners who are Sophie F, Anna F, Joshua D, Alex, Leila F and Evie Y.

### Arts Mark Gold

We are delighted to announce that we have been successful in achieving the Arts Mark Gold status. This is a testament to the hard work of staff and children in school.

### E-Safety – Roblox Game

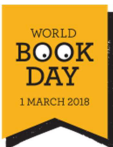
Following concerns raised by parents and reports in the press recently, we wanted to draw attention to apps, which are designed for children but can be used by unscrupulous adults. We would remind parents to ensure that they are aware of what their children are accessing and whom they are talking to online. Roblox Game which is currently available on PC, phone, tablet and Xbox One have issued a guide to parents which aims to help you keep your child safe online. This guidance can be found on our school website via the following link. [http://www.bleakhill.st-helens.sch.uk/serve\\_file/234240](http://www.bleakhill.st-helens.sch.uk/serve_file/234240)

### Sending Money into School

Please send money for different clubs/activities in separate envelopes. We have so much money coming into the office for different things, handled by different people that it is difficult to keep track when items are not separate. Some clubs are run by external providers and envelopes are passed over to them. If items are not separate they will be returned, which may lead to children missing out on popular clubs.

### Old £10 Note

With effect from the 1st March 2018 we will no longer be able to accept the old £10 pound note.



## World Book Day Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> March

On Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> March we will be celebrating World Book Day. On this day, children are invited to come into school in their pyjamas and bring a favourite book!

### Dance Club – Date for your Diary

The children who attend Y3/4 and Y5/6 Dance Clubs are working towards the annual show at the Theatre Royal. This year there will be two shows; Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May and Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. More information closer to the date but please put the dates in your diary!

### Arrival at School

Please could we remind parents that children should not be dropped off at school, unaccompanied before 8.45 am, as supervision is not available. An adult should always accompany and supervise children arriving earlier than this. If you have difficulty with drop off times, please consider using our Breakfast Club

### RNIB Stamp Appeal

Thank you to those who have already sent in used postage stamps. We continue to be a collection point for the RNIB Stamp Appeal, supporting blind and partially sighted people across the UK. Please keep your used envelopes with stamps on (or you can cut round the stamp if you prefer). Please pass them on to us! Thank you for your support.

### Dangerous Driving

This week there have been numerous reports of dangerous driving and parking around the crossing patrol on Bleak Hill Road and close to the Fairway entrance. The School Crossing Patrol will be reporting individual incidents directly to the police. School has again received complaints from residents regarding parents blocking driveways. Please can we ask again, that you are considerate. The safety of our children is paramount, as always.

### Dinner Money

**One weeks' notice** is required if your child wishes to change to, or from school meals. The cost of a school meal is now £2.30 per day, **£11.50** per week. Dinner money should be paid on a **Monday**. The total amount of dinner money for next half term will be **£66.70**. Please ensure **all** money sent into school is in a clearly labelled envelope and paid directly to the class teacher. Thank you.

### Local Holiday Club Activities

The following holiday club activities are available in the local area:

**Kicks Holiday Soccer Roadshow** for girls and boys aged 5 – 12 years – 12/13<sup>th</sup> February at Ruskin Drive – pre-booking essential, telephone 01744 735288 or online at [www.ticketsource/tunzaspride](http://www.ticketsource/tunzaspride)

**School Holiday Fun Club** at the Tunza Centre, Boundary Road - 13/14/15<sup>th</sup> February. Places can be booked online at [www.ticketsource/tunzaspride](http://www.ticketsource/tunzaspride)

**St Helens Council Go Active February Sports Camp** ages 4 – 11. 12 – 16<sup>th</sup> February Sutton leisure Centre. Contact 01744 671717

**The World of Glass** – Craft Activities on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> & Friday 16<sup>th</sup> at 11am & 1.30pm. Only £3.99 per child, booking essential. Call 01744 22766

### Topaz – School Uniform Supplier

Please note that the Lynton Way branch is currently closed due to illness. The Haydock branch (284 Church Road, Haydock) has a limited stock of our uniform – Please ring 01744 375940 to check availability.

### St Helens Council Budget Cuts

St Helens Council has launched the Public Consultation exercise for plans to slash the budgets for maintaining our Parks, Cemeteries, Open Spaces and to cut the Parks Ranger Service. The Friends of Taylor Park, along with many other Friends and Community Groups, would urge you to take the opportunity to take part in the consultation process by visiting <http://www.sthelens.gov.uk/council/public-consultation> and completing the online form.

### General Data Protection Regulation

The law on data processing and control is changing on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018, when the GDPR comes into force. We will look at all our systems and procedures and a variety of documents will be issued and published in due course.

#### **Friends of Bleak Hill Easy Fundraising**

Shopping online via easyfundrasing is such a simple way to raise free donations for Friends of Bleak Hill School. There are over 3,300 participating retailers and brands, including John Lewis, Amazon, Expedia and eBay and every time you make a purchase, a percentage of what you spend will be donated to FOBH at no additional cost to you. Please register at [www.easyfundraising.co.uk/bleakhill](http://www.easyfundraising.co.uk/bleakhill) to help us raise vital funds for school. Thank you.

	Before	During	After
<b>19.02.18</b>			
<b>Monday</b>	KS1 Judo		Music
<b>Tuesday</b>	Y2&3 Football		<b>Parents Evening</b> KS2 Zumba Y6 Basketball 4.40 – 5.40pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Y1 Football		Y3 Cricket Y6 Hockey
<b>Thursday</b>	Y4, 5 & 6 Football		<b>Parents Evening</b> Y3&4 Dance Club Y3,4&5 Nature4Health Club
<b>Friday</b>	Y5&6 Dance Club	Y5 Swimming Y6 Saints	YR&1 Gymnastics Club