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# Newsletter

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## Message from Mr McCoy

On Tuesday we welcomed year 5 parents in to watch the class assemblies, which were absolutely brilliant. They told us all about their love of reading, particularly Roald Dahl books, and the standard, and quality, of singing, dancing and acting was remarkable. Well done Year 5! Year 5 were out of school all day on Wednesday and had a great day at Jodrell Bank; when they came back, they were telling me about what they had seen and done throughout the trip - they really seemed to have got a lot out of the trip.

A group of our KS2 children represented us at Wednesday's Boccia Tournament and on Thursday a group of Y6 children were fantastic at the local authority Dodgeball festival - well done to both teams.

We had an Open Evening for prospective parents for our September 2025 Reception intake and it was very busy with lots of families coming to have a look around our outstanding early years provision. Looks like we will be full again next year.

Tonight, Mrs Kenny (our Chair of Governors), Mr Dagnall and I are attending the Pride of St Helens Awards to find out the winners of the School of The Year Award. I am very proud that we have been nominated and then shortlisted, but keep your fingers crossed for us and I will let you all know the outcome of the judges' decision.

As you all know the FOBH work very hard to raise much needed funds to support school with the 'extra' items that we would love to have. We are currently raising funds to pay for a purpose built MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) and we are doing really well with the fundraising. In addition to the MUGA, we very much needed additional iPads for school, so thanks to your support for all the FOBH events we have managed to buy 19 new iPads - thank you so much for all your donations and support.

Thanks everyone, have a great weekend.

#### Merit Award - Children who show mutual respect

	R.O.T.W	W.O.T.W	M.O.T.W	Bronze	Silver	Gold
RHE	Lucas C	Dexter B	Toby H	William D	Charlotte U	Arthur M
RHU	Ollie M	Charlie H	Tilly G	Lucas B	Ralph L	Finley C
RM	Leo W	Rosa W	Samuel R	Layah B	Olivia M	Ethan M
1CR	Cassidy M	Kara S	Nyla E	Edward C	Noah R	Zak P
1M	Nova K	Maggie C	Teddy S	Xander P	Louie G-M	Sophie D
1MS	Penelope H	Edward C	Hollie G	Aaron K	Charlotte E	Barney F
2Mc	Freddy R	Reuben B	Saffi B	Isla N	Emmie H	Stan K
2Mo	Miya L	Leo B	Albie P-S	Matthew O	Ivy H	Amelie L
2W	Sadie C	Zain T	Isaac M	Jayson B	Reuben C	Vinnie F
3D	Hallie W	Sienna C	Isla-Rose R	Bradley R	Joe T	Charlie U
<b>3</b> S	George W	Max B	Esme B	Harry C	Annabelle B	Mollie B
3W	Charlotte J	Lucy P	Daniel B	Jude D	George K	Dimitar S
4C	Harriet B	Nell C	Harvey T-H	Isabelle P	Harriet N-C	Gerard C
4H	Harry Z	Jamie O'B	Molly F	Isla McC	Nancie J	Imogen D
4M	Daina R	Matthew McC	Amber C	Jude N	Molly McW	Ted R
5B	Annabelle S	Mason McC	Grace L-G	Oliver F	Hallie S	Alex B
5Da	Hattie H	Oliver W	Andriana C	Luke B	Alfie W	Sophie C
5Du	Edith K-G	Charlotte F	Jude W	Hannah K	Sky W	Annie D
6M	Emma B	Рорру W	Harriet B	Mollie C	Jaxen H-B	Billy K
6W	Bea D	Evalynn M	Jack M	Amelie P	Alfie F	Finley D

What's on w/c 25.11.24						
25.11.2024	Before School	During School	After School			
Monday		YR, Y4 & Y6 PE	Fitness Club Y3 & 4 - Mrs Aspinall-Wood 4 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.20pm			
Tuesday	Dodgeball Y3 & 4 - Mr Dagnall 4 of 4 Enter via Junior Library corridor (KS2 playground) at 8.00am	Y1 & Y3 PE	Young Voices Y5 & 6 - Mrs Williams & Miss Heyes 4 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.30pm			
Wednesday	Football Skills Y1 & 2 - Future Gym (external provider) 4 of 4 Enter via Junior Library corridor (KS2 playground) at 8.00am	Y2 & Y5 PE	Gymnastics Y3 4 5 & 6 - Future Gym (External Provider) 4 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.20pm			
Thursday	Football Y5 & 6 - Future Gym (external provider) 4 of 4 Enter via Junior Library corridor (KS2 playground) at 8.00am	YR, Y1, Y3 & Y5 PE	Gymnastics Y1 & 2 - Future Gym (External Provider) 4 of 4 Exit via main reception at 4.10pm			
Friday	Gymnastics YR - Future Gym (external provider) 4 of 4 Enter via Junior Library corridor (KS2 playground) at 8.00am	Y2, Y4 & Y6 PE				

## Key Dates Autumn B Term

02.12.24 Tree Lighting (2.30pm Start—weather dependent) / Self-Portrait Viewing in Classrooms

05.12.24 FOBH Christmas Bingo

09.12.24 Monday Bands- Rock Steady Concert

10.12.24 FOBH Tea with Santa / Christmas Extravaganza

11.12.24 FOBH Breakfast to Go!/Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Dinner/Santa Dash

17.12.24 Y2 Nativities (9.15am 2W 10.15am 2Mc 11.15am 2Mo) / KS2 Talent Show-PM

18.12.24 Wednesday Bands—Rock Steady Concert

19.12.24 Christmas Parties

20.12.24 FOBH Christmas Raffle / Break-Up for Christmas Holiday (Return 06.01.25)

# FOBH Events Autumn B Term

Thursday 5th December Christmas Bingo Tuesday 10th December Tea with Santa (EYFS / KS1) Tuesday 10th December Christmas Extravaganza (KS2) Wednesday 11th December Breakfast to Go! Friday 20th December Christmas Raffle



# Easy Fundraising for FOBH

Follow the link below to sign up—then every time you shop on-line on most sites (Tesco, M&S, eBay for example) you will raise money for Friends of Bleakhill without needing to do anything or spend any additional money!

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-bleak-hill-st-helens

Easy Fundraising partners with over 7,500 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra, the cost is covered by the brand.





We would like to say a massive thank you to PNP Electrical

Services for their generous donation of a gigantic 5' tall Lindt

Advent Calendar!!

We will be holding a daily raffle for each window on the

calendar. Buy a ticket before December the 1st and you will have 24 chances to win!!

Tickets are £2 and are available on School Money.

The daily draw will take place in school with the final big draw on Friday 20th December for windows 20-24!

This is in addition to the annual FOBH Christmas Raffle which is taking place on Friday 20th December also!!! What a finish to our term!!

Bleak Hill Primary - Christmas Events 2024					
Date	Time	Details	Cost/Booking Information		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	2.30pm - 3pm	Christmas Service / Tree Lighting - Christmas carols around the tree (provided by Windle Parish Council) - Parents Welcome (NB this is weather dependent – if indoors unfortunately we cannot invite parents)			
	End of school – 4pm	Self-Portrait Viewing in Classrooms	Payment on School Money		
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	1:15pm-3:00pm	YV Choir to visit Ruskin Lodge to sing for residents**	Permission via Spider Survey		
	9am - 12pm	Whole School - Altru Christmas Pantomime Performance			
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	10:15am – 12:30pm	YV Choir to visit Eccleston Library to sing at Parish Council Tree Lighting**	Permission via Spider Survey		
	6pm - 9pm	FOBH Christmas Bingo	Tickets in School Money Shop		
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	2:30pm-3pm	Monday Group Rock Steady Concert ( <i>Parents of the children in Monday Rock</i> Steady Concert welcome)			
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	End of school – 4:10pm EYFS 4:20pm KS1 4:25pm KS2	FOBH Tea with Santa & Christmas Extravaganza	Payment on School Money		
	8.20am-9am	FOBH Christmas Breakfast to Go!			
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	All Day	Non uniform with Christmas Jumper or Christmas themed outfit (Trainers will be required & Santa hats/boppers can be worn)	Christmas Dinner to be		
	11:30am-1:30pm 1pm-3pm	Christmas Dinner Santa Dash (weather permitting)	pre-ordered on School Grid (£2.95 for KS2, free for EYFS/KS1)		

Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 1:30pm-3pm		YV Choir to visit Willowbrook to sing for residents**	Permission via Spider Survey
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	12:45pm-3pm	YV Choir to visit Eccleston Court to sing for residents**	Permission via Spider Survey
Monday 16th December – Friday 20th December	To be brought into school by child & handed into class	FOBH Christmas Raffle – to be drawn on Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December - Tickets to be sold throughout the week.	£1 a ticket (cash) to be brought into class in a labelled envelope.
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	9:15 am 10:15am 11:15am PM	<u>Y2 Nativities</u> 2W Nativity (doors open 9am for prompt start at 9:15am) 2Mc Nativity (doors open 10am for prompt start at 10:15am) 2Mo Nativity (doors open 11am for prompt start at 11:15am) Talent Show (Children Only)	Maximum of 4 people per family - no ticket required
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	9am-12pm 10:30am-12:30pm 2:30pm-3pm	Y4 Christmas Experience – St Andrews Church YV Choir to visit Henbury Court to sing for residents** Wednesday Group Rock Steady Concert (Parents of the children in Wednesday Rock Steady Concert welcome)	Permission via Spider Survey
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	All Day Lunchtime	Whole School - Christmas Parties (Children to come in their party clothes) Party Box lunch menu to be available on School Grid	Party Box Lunches to be ordered via School Grid as normal
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	PM	FOBH Christmas Raffle	£1 a ticket (cash) available in class from Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December

\*\*A selection of pupils from the Young Voices Choir will take part in each choir event to ensure every child attends one of the visits