



# NORBRECK PRIMARY ACADEMY

# Newsletter

ISSUE 01

5<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Parents and Children,

## Welcome Back

Welcome back to school. We are delighted to welcome all our children back to school including our new starters in Reception and elsewhere in the school. All the children look so smart and are eager to learn. In view of the unpredictable weather, children are allowed to wear both summer or winter uniform until October half term when we change to winter uniform only. We look forward to a fantastic school year ahead.

We welcome to school some new staff too: Mrs Barlow - 2B class teacher, Mrs Chantrell-Cole - 1CH class teacher, Miss McKenna - 5M class teacher, Mrs Hopps - school office and Mrs Gallagher - Higher Level Teaching Assistant.

## Starts and Ends of the School Day Reminders

<i>Year Group</i>	<i>Start time</i>	<i>Entrance</i>	<i>Finish Time</i>	<i>Exit</i>
<i>Reception</i>	<i>8:50-9:00am</i>	<i>Reception Steps</i>	<i>3:05pm</i>	<i>Reception Steps</i>
<i>Year 1</i>	<i>8:50-9:00am</i>	<i>KS1 Fire Door</i>	<i>3:10pm</i>	<i>Small Playground</i>
<i>Year 2</i>	<i>8:50-9:00am</i>	<i>KS1 Fire Door</i>	<i>3:10pm</i>	<i>Large Playground</i>
<i>Year 3</i>	<i>8:50-9:00am</i>	<i>KS2 Doors</i>	<i>3:15pm</i>	<i>MUGA</i>
<i>Year 4</i>	<i>8:50-9:00am</i>	<i>KS2 Doors</i>	<i>3:15pm</i>	<i>Playground by Y6 classrooms</i>
<i>Year 5</i>	<i>8:50-9:00am</i>	<i>KS2 Doors</i>	<i>3:15pm</i>	<i>Playground by Y6 classrooms</i>
<i>Year 6</i>	<i>8:50-9:00am</i>	<i>KS2 Doors</i>	<i>3:15pm</i>	<i>KS2 Doors</i>

## Meet the Teacher

Thank you for the interest shown in the Meet the Teacher events. We hope you have found them informative. Y6 and Y3 will take place next week at 3.30 p.m.as follows:

**Y3 - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

**Y6 - Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025**



## Open Evening/Tours of the School

We are pleased to announce that we are holding an **Open Evening on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2025** for parents of children who are due to start school next September. If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022, you are welcome to attend either of the two session times: 4 p.m. or 6 p.m. There is no need to book, please just turn up. There will be a talk in the main hall followed by tours of the school so you can see us in action!

If you are unable to attend the Open Evening, we will also be running tours of the school for small groups of parents on the following dates all at 9.50 a.m.

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2025**  
**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025**  
**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025**  
**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2025**  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025**  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

Places on the day-time tours are limited, so if you would like to book a place on one of these, please either telephone: 01253 852219 or email: [admin@norbreck.blackpool.sch.uk](mailto:admin@norbreck.blackpool.sch.uk)

Applications for school places should be made to your local council using their on-line application system before the closing date of **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026**. If you live within the Blackpool Council boundary, please visit [www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions) or visit [www.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk) for Wyre Council addresses.

### **Important End-of-Day Safety Reminder**

During the school day, your children are under our care, and we take full responsibility for their safety, wellbeing, and behaviour. At the end of the day, once your child has been collected, this responsibility transfers back to you. We kindly ask that you ensure your child always remains with you while on school premises and meetings such as 'Meet the Teacher' events. For safety reasons, children must not climb on playground equipment and walls, or ride bikes and scooters on site. Additionally, we ask that families vacate the school grounds promptly after collection to allow staff to begin meetings and after-school clubs without delay. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated in helping us maintain a safe and respectful environment for all.

### **Reception Classes ParentPay Information**

Details of our e-payment system together with log-in information has been issued to Reception Parents this week. As the ParentPay website is accessible 24/7 please activate your account **by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025**. Any queries please call the school office.

### **Rec - Y6 Free School Meals Reminder**

If you have not already done so and you think your child may be entitled to free school meals, if you are in receipt of a qualifying benefit \*\* (this is totally separate to the Universal Infant Free School Meals Initiative), then please complete the ESS form on the app - from the homepage/content/free school meals as soon as possible. This information is required for the October School Census. Thank you.

\*\*Qualifying benefits are: *Universal Credit, Income Support, Income-based Jobseekers Allowance, Income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit (household gross income no more than £16190 p.a.) providing you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.*

### **All Hallows Church Event**

All Hallows Church warmly invite families to their 'Back to School Bounce and BBQ' special for Hope@4 at their informal, contemporary service on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 4pm, in the Barn (large hall). Activities include craft, story, song, prayer and a bouncy slide and a BBQ. This is a wonderful opportunity to socialise within the community.



### **Blackpool Gazette Reception School Starter Supplement**

On **Wednesday 10th September 2025**, a photographer on behalf of the Blackpool Gazette newspaper will be in school to take Reception class photos. Please send your child to school in **full winter uniform**. When the Gazette advises the school of the publication date, we will inform parents so that you are able to purchase a copy.

### **Harvest Reminder**

Our Harvest services will be held in school on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2025**, but we will be accepting donations on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025** to set up the displays.

- *Reception, Y1, Y2 and Y3 are invited to bring dry foods: pasta, rice, tins, cartons and/or toiletries. All donations will be collected by Bispham Parish Church who are supporting the Blackpool Food Bank, The Mulberry Project and Street Angels.*

**Please note we cannot accept fresh produce.**

- *Y4, Y5 and Y6 are invited to bring in a monetary donation (minimum of £1) to support Street Life Charity.*

*(Please send cash in on this occasion, not in an envelope).*

*Thank you.*



### **Annual Flu Vaccinations (Nasal Spray) 2025**

We have been advised by the School Vaccination Team that the whole school will be vaccinated at school against flu on the morning of **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025** and they have confirmed the following information and their procedures:

*This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu. There may be a rebound in flu levels this coming winter following low levels in the past 2 years as a result of COVID-19 restrictions. The vaccination is free and is a quick, simple, painless spray up the nose.*

*Please use the following link or cut and paste into your search engine to access the online consent form: [www.bthimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu](http://www.bthimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu) quoting our school code **BP138739**. **The online consent form needs to be completed for both consent /no consent giving reasons as soon as possible.***

*Please inform the School Vaccination Team (**Not School**) of the following on Blackpool, Wyre & Fylde: 01253 951984.*

- *If your child has steroid tablets prescribed two weeks prior to vaccination.*
- *If in the few days prior to vaccination your child has been wheezy.*
- *If after consenting you then take your child to your GP surgery to receive their vaccination.*

***It is parent's responsibility to contact the school vaccination team to ensure they do not receive the immunisation again.***

*A leaflet explaining the vaccination programme can be accessed by clicking the following link: [Flu vaccination for children](#).*

### **School Uniform Donations**

Many thanks for your kind and generous uniform donations which have made our Pre-Loved Uniform Sales a great success (as well as doing our bit for the planet). We would be very grateful for any donations of the following:

- Black pumps – sizes 10-6
- Grey Socks – all sizes
- White PE T-shirts – all sizes
- Green Striped PE Shorts – all sizes

The dates for the upcoming Pre-Loved Uniform sales can be found here: [Norbreck Primary Academy - Pre-Loved Uniform Sale](#)

If you ever need something urgently before the next sale, please contact the Pastoral Team and we will do our very best to help.

### **Website**

We kindly remind families that the school website is an excellent resource for important information such as calendars, school policies, lunch menus and announcements. It is designed to keep you informed and assist with daily routines. We encourage you to visit often, to ensure you remain engaged with your child's education experience.

[Norbreck Primary Academy - Home](#)

Yours sincerely,



Mr. I Cooper,  
Headteacher.

#### ***Safeguarding Note:***

*Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.*

*The Designated Safeguarding Lead at Norbreck Primary Academy is Mr. Cooper (Headteacher). Additional Safeguarding Leads are: Mrs Cadwallader (Deputy Headteacher), Mrs Monks (Assistant Headteacher), Mrs. Hamer (Family Support Worker) and Mrs. Fagiloi (Learning Mentor). Information can be found via the app – from the homepage/content/safeguarding tab which links to the school website.*