



NORBRECK PRIMARY ACADEMY Newsletter

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6th February 2026

Dear Parents and Children,

WEEK ENDED: 30 th January 2026		
Best FS / KS1 Class Attendance	2M	100%
Best KS2 Class Attendance	4S	100%
Most Punctual FS / KS1 Class	RG & RB & 1T & 2M	0 late arrivals
Most Punctual KS2 Class	4B & 4S & 5M	0 late arrivals
Whole School Attendance For The Week		97.4%
Number Of Children Late At Least Once During The Week		42

Attendance

Well done to RG, RB, 1T, 2M, 4S, 4B and 5M!

Important Attendance Information

Medical evidence is now required to authorise any absences for children who's attendance level drops below 93%. We would also like to advise that any further unauthorised absences may be referred to the local authority for consideration of a fixed penalty notice or legal proceedings. (In line with LA and government expectations).



Y5 and Y6 Indoor Athletics Finals

Children from the Y5/6 Athletics team competed in the finals of the Blackpool Athletics Competition last Friday.

We saw fantastic performances from the team, with wins in some of the running races. They were a credit to the school with their behaviour, effort and determination. Well done!

Team: Izzy, Ella, Florence, Darcie, Travis, Reuben, Jayden, Tobey, Rio, Ollie, Luca, Bo



Parking Outside School Reminder

Our neighbours have once again contacted the school to report that some parents are blocking driveways and parking on double yellow lines during drop-off times and pick-up times. We kindly ask all parents to park safely, considerately, and with respect for those living near the school.

Additionally, please be mindful of leaving car engines running for extended periods, as this can be loud and disruptive for our neighbours.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Schools Alive 2026

Good luck to all the children in our Glee Club who will be performing 'It's the Hard Knock Life' at the Blackpool Winter Gardens on **Wednesday 11th February 2026**.

After School Clubs

Please note that Glee, Year 1 Athletics, Year 3 Football, Year 4 Football, Science, Year 1 and Year 2 Dance clubs will be **finishing next week**.

Y5 and Y6 Disco Payments

A polite reminder that if your child attended the Y5 and Y6 Disco on Thursday evening and did not pay for their place, please can this be paid for via ParentPay at your earliest convenience.

Reception Superhero Day

A reminder that all Reception children are invited to come to school dressed up as their Superhero for the day on **Tuesday 10th February 2026**.



Underwear Donations Needed for our KS1 and KS2 Children

We are reaching out with a small but important request. Our stock of spare underwear for our KS1 and KS2 children has recently run quite low. These spares are used when children have little accidents or need a quick change during the school day, and they make a big difference in helping our pupils feel comfortable and confident.

If you are able, we would greatly appreciate donations of underwear suitable for children both KS1 and KS2 children. Donations can be dropped off at the school office at any time. Even a small contribution helps ensure we can continue to support our children when these little emergencies happen.

Reminder – Class Trip Deadlines

A reminder that the deadlines for the below trips are approaching fast. Please can you ensure that any outstanding payments which **may** be required for your child's trip and the consent forms are signed by the deadline. This is to allow for the risk assessment process to be performed before the trip commences.

Year 2 – Local Area Field Trip – The deadline for outstanding consent forms is **Monday 9th February 2026**.

Year 3 – Fairhaven Lake Trip – Please can any outstanding payments be made and the Acknowledgement of Risk/Consent Forms be acknowledged and signed by **Friday 13th February 2026**.

Lancashire Sings Event – Please can consent forms be completed and submitted by **Friday 13th February 2026**.



Height and weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6

A message has been sent to all parents of children in Reception and Year 6 with information we have received from the NHS about height and weight checks which will be taking place on **Monday 9th February 2026**. The information can also be found on ParentApp Connect under homepage/content/LettersHome.

Every year in England, school children in reception and year 6 have their height and weight checked at school as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. Height and weight measurements are used to calculate weight status. We collect this information to build a picture of how children are growing to help plan better health and leisure services for families. In most areas, parents receive their child's measurement data as this can be useful information about their child's growth and provides an opportunity to offer support to parents where required. Your child's class will take part in this year's programme.

The checks are carried out by the Blackpool School Nursing Team. Children are measured fully clothed, except for their coats and shoes, in a private space away from other pupils. The programme will be delivered in a safe way, in line with the school and local authority's safety control measures and national guidance for schools and healthcare.

Withdrawing your child from the National Child Measurement Programme

If you are happy for your child to be measured, you do not need to do anything -

If you do not want your child's height and weight to be checked, or your child has a medical condition that affects their height or weight please let us know as soon as possible by using the contact details provided below:

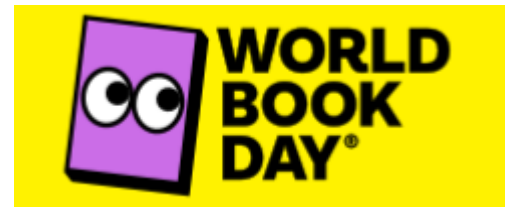
Blackpool School Nursing Team: 01253 951740

Please note your child will not be made to take part on the day, if they do not want to.

World Book Day

On **Thursday 5th March 2026**, we will be celebrating World Book Day and all children are invited to come into school dressed as a 'book character' or a character from a non-fiction book.

The simplest costumes are often the most effective. If your child loves non-fiction books, they could dress up as an animal from a favourite book, a sporting hero, an important figure in history, an astronaut, a scientist, and many more.



Some ideas for fiction books include dressing as traditional characters, Roald Dahl characters, Julia Donaldson characters, David Walliams characters, historical characters, animal characters and contemporary characters. You can also Google search 'ideas for dressing up for World Book Day'. Also, many characters in stories are children so costumes don't need to be expensive or elaborate. Children also have the option to bring in a prop or the actual book to support their costume.

The whole day will be devoted to reading and book related activities. Each child will also bring home a National Book Token that can be exchanged for one of the free books at your local bookshop or supermarket.

Events like this would not be able to take place without your valuable support to make this a special day and we look forward to seeing the whole school's wonderful costumes.

Class Photographs

Tempest Photography will be in school on **Wednesday 25th March 2026** to take class photographs, please ensure your child is wearing full, winter school uniform on the day.



Blackpool Football Club Community Trust Holiday Activities

BFCCT are holding FREE holiday activities on **Monday 16th February – Thursday 19th February 2026** for age 8-18 years old at various venues across Blackpool. The programme is designed to provide children with a fun, safe, and engaging environment during the school holidays, helping them remain active, social, and in a positive routine.

Booking is essential and can be made through scanning the QR code.

School Holidays

A reminder that school closes next **Friday 13th February 2026** at normal home-time for the half-term holidays and will re-open on **Monday 23rd February 2026**.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Ian 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.