

Dear Parents and Children,

WEEK ENDED: 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2026		
Best FS / KS1 Class Attendance	RY	100%
Best KS2 Class Attendance	3JF	100%
Most Punctual FS / KS1 Class	RB & 1CO & 1T	0 late arrivals
Most Punctual KS2 Class	3LF & 4S	0 late arrivals
Whole School Attendance For The Week		98.1%
<b>Number Of Children Late At Least Once During The Week</b>		<b>38</b>

**Attendance**

Well done to RY, RB, 1CO, 1T, 3LF, 3JF and 4S!

**Important Update - We're Moving to Arbor!**

Last Friday we launched the parent portal part of our new system Arbor. Arbor will allow us to communicate with you more efficiently and provide a smoother experience when accessing information about your child. You will be able to view attendance, update contact details and receive messages from school—all in one easy-to-use online portal. You should now have received your log in details.

As part of this transition, we are currently running both Parentapp and Arbor side by side. This will help us ensure a smooth changeover and give families time to get used to the new system. ParentApp will continue to operate for now, we will be closing it by the end of **July 2026**.

Please continue to use ParentApp as normal until we confirm the final switch-over date. We will keep you updated throughout the process and make sure you have everything you need to get started with Arbor.

**Reminder - Important Attendance Information**

We would like to remind parents that medical evidence is required for **all appointments**. Please submit your appointments and upload the evidence in as soon as possible on ParentApp. The Appointments form can be found under content/forms/appointments. Please **do not** submit your appointment via the Collection Arrangements form as medical evidence cannot be uploaded with this document.

**Sun Protection**

**Please do not send your child into school with sun cream unless you have completed the sun cream permission form** which can be found on ParentApp - homepage/content/permission forms/suncream permission. If this form is not completed, your child will not be able to apply sun cream.

On sunny days, we would recommend sending your child to school with a **named** sun hat and applying sun cream before coming to school. Children will be encouraged to wear their hats whilst they are outside during playtimes and P.E. lessons.

**Class Photographs**

A proof of your child's class photograph has been sent home this week. If you wish to purchase a copy and take advantage of free postage back to school, please place your order online with Tempest Photography [www.tempest-orders.co.uk](http://www.tempest-orders.co.uk) by **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026**.

**Drumba Festival**

Last Friday, nine children from across KS2 took part in an energetic Drumba Festival. They learnt basic drumbeats and paradiddles, combining them with high-cardio dance routines that really got their hearts pumping. It was a fantastic session, and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. For more information on Drumba go to [www.drumba.co.uk](http://www.drumba.co.uk)





### **Boys' Football Match v St Teresa's RC Primary School**

Norbreck Boys' football team hosted St Teresa's on a freshly cut pitch on Monday evening. The match was played in excellent spirit, with Norbreck quickly asserting their dominance. Jesse opened the scoring with two well-taken goals, setting the tone early on. Further goals followed before the break, sending Norbreck into half-time in a commanding position.

After the interval, Norbreck continued to play with tremendous energy and intent. Frankie and Toby both added clinical finishes, before Lewis capped off a free-flowing team move with what was undoubtedly the goal of the night. St Teresa's showed great determination and had the final say with a well-deserved consolation goal in recognition of their efforts.

**Player of the Match:** Harrison – a true captain's performance, showcasing outstanding leadership and communication throughout the game.

**Team:** Lewis 5H, Jesse 5M, Boe 5S, Harrison 6P, George 6P, Tobey 6P, Jayden 6S and Frankie 6S.

### **Boys' Football Match v St Kentigern's Primary School**

Norbreck Boys' football team played their second fixture of their league campaign on Thursday, this time against St Kentigern's. Zach got Norbreck off to the perfect start, firing the team into the lead not once but twice. The goals continued to flow before half-time, with further strikes from Ollie and Reuben. Following a quick counter-attack, St Kentigern's also showed signs of promise and scored a goal in the first half.

In the second half, Norbreck continued to play confident, risk-free football. Adding more goals while giving pupils the opportunity to try out some unfamiliar positions.

**Player of the Match:** Rio- for an impressive, energetic performance in midfield.

**Team:** Declan 5H, Rio 5H, Ollie 5M, Ethan 5M, Luca 5S, Reuben 6L, Charlie 6P, Teddy 6S and Zac 6S.



### **Y6 SATs Week**

Y6 SATs will begin on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026** until **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026** with a test every morning as follows:

<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	SPaG Test Paper 1 & Paper 2
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	Reading Test
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	Maths Paper 1
	Maths Paper 2
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	Maths Paper 3

Please ensure your child is in school on time each day and goes to bed early each night. If your Y6 child feels unwell on any day that week, please telephone the school office so that we can discuss the issue. We would really appreciate your help with this. Many thanks.



### **Blackpool Sings Pop Norbreck Final**

On Thursday was our Blackpool Sings Pop final at Norbreck, and we were completely blown away by the children's incredible talent and courage. It was a fabulously entertaining afternoon, and every single performer should be immensely proud of their achievement.

A very special well done goes to Nancy and Edward, who received the most votes. Their performances were outstanding, and they now go on to compete against other Blackpool schools at Montgomery Academy on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026**. We are so proud of you both!

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Thank you so much to everyone who visited the Book Fair recently. An incredible £1146.66 was spent on books which means that we earned £573.33 commission. This will be spent on new books for the children at Norbreck. Thank you for your support.



### **Parent Opinion Survey**

Many thanks to the parents and carers who took the time to complete the survey. The results are being compiled and will be shared on the school website once they have been presented to the Board of Trustees.

**Dads & Male Carers Stay & Play**

- A relaxed drop-in play session for dads, male carers and their little ones
- Great chance for quality time, to meet new people and peer support
- Activities for babies, toddlers and older children
- Find out about our free timetable of activities, sessions & events
- Refreshments available

Every 3rd Saturday of the month  
10.30am - 12.00pm  
Central Family Hub,  
Gorton Street, FY1 3JW




Blackpool Family Hubs Blackpool Council

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Blackpool Council are holding Dads & Male Carers Stay and Play sessions. A relaxed drop-in play session for Dads, male carers and their little ones. This is a great chance for quality time, meeting new people and gaining peer support.

Activities are available for babies, toddlers and older children and refreshments are available.

The sessions are held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month 10.30 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. at Central Family Hub, Gorton Street, Blackpool, FY1 3JW.

For the free timetable of activities, sessions and events, please scan the QR code.

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.*