



NORBRECK PRIMARY ACADEMY

Newsletter

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25th September 2026

Dear Parents and Children,

WEEK ENDED: 18 th September 2026		
Best FS / KS1 Class Attendance	1B & 2H	99.3%
Best KS2 Class Attendance	3JF	100%
Most Punctual FS / KS1 Class	RB, RG, 1B & 2T	0 late arrivals
Most Punctual KS2 Class	5H	0 late arrivals
Whole School Attendance For The Week		96.4%
Number Of Children Late At Least Once During The Week		22

Attendance

Well done to RB, RG, 1B, 2T, 2H, 3JF & 5H!

Parents' Evenings

Our October Parents' Evenings are being held on **Wednesday 21st October** and **Thursday 22nd October 2026**. Appointments can be made on Arbor. Staff will offer a range of times during the two evenings.

To make a Parents' Evening appointment, please open your Arbor Portal App and select Guardians Consultations/Date bookings will be LIVE from **3.30pm on Monday 28th September 2026** until **4.00pm on Monday 12th October 2026**.

Open Evening

We are pleased to announce that we are holding an **Open Evening on Wednesday 7th October 2026** for parents of children who are due to start school next September. If your child was born between **1st September 2022** and **31st August 2023**, you are welcome to attend either of the two-session starting promptly at **4.00 p.m. – 5.15p.m.** or promptly **6 p.m. – 7.15p.m.** There will be a Head Teacher's talk in the main hall followed by a tour of the school so you can see us in action! There is no need to book, please just turn up.

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.

Tuesday 13th October 2026
Monday 19th October 2026
Thursday 12th November 2026
Tuesday 17th November 2026
Friday 27th November 2026
Tuesday 1st December 2026
Thursday 7th January 2027
Monday 11th January 2027

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

Kids Planet Breakfast Club and After School Club

A reminder from Kids Planet that children attending their breakfast or after school club must be accompanied at all times throughout the school grounds by an adult. Children are **not** permitted to walk through the school grounds and carpark independently before school starts or after it finishes due to safeguarding purposes.

PGL 2026 – Lost Property

A polite reminder that the remaining lost property from the Y6 PGL trip is currently in the lost property box in the school office. Please feel free to pop along if you are still missing some items.

Norbreck Art Gallery

Well done to the following children whose artwork is now displayed in the Academy Gallery: Willow - 4O, Evie - 5S, Alfie N - 5H and Quinn - 5C.





Rag Bag Recycling Success!

A huge thank-you to everyone who contributed to our recent **Rag Bag recycling collection!** Thanks to your generosity, we have raised **£38** towards new equipment for the children in school. Every kilo counts, and your support truly makes a difference!

Individual and Family Photographs

Last week, Tempest Photography were in school taking individual and family photographs. A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is **Sunday 4th October 2026**. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link that was emailed to you, or if you have received paper order forms visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 5).

Harvest Reminder

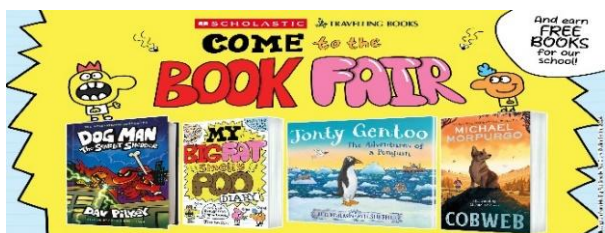
Our Harvest services will be held in school on **Tuesday 6th October 2026**, but we will be accepting donations on **Monday 5th October 2026** to set up the displays.

- **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.



Book Fair

We are pleased to announce that the **BOOK FAIR** is back! The books will be displayed in the Community Hall from **3.30pm** on **Tuesday 6th October 2026, Thursday 8th October 2026, Friday 9th October 2026 and Monday 12th October 2026**. Please come along and see the wide range of fantastic books and offers on sale for all ages from 'Scholastic'. This event will be completely cashless so please ensure you have an alternative method of payment for any items you wish to purchase.

Gazette First Class Picture Special

Following on from the new Reception class photographs, the Blackpool Gazette have advised us that their 'First Class Picture Special' will appear in the newspaper on **Thursday 8th October 2026**. Unfortunately, this year the Blackpool Gazette will not be taking orders of newspapers for delivery to school. The Gazette will be on sale in local shops.



Y5: PGL Winmarleigh Trip 2027

A reminder that if you have not already done so and you would like to book your child's place on the outdoor adventure trip, please ensure your deposit is paid on ParentPay by **Friday 9th October 2026**, as we have to transfer these funds to PGL. The balance can then be paid in instalments as and when you wish to do so on ParentPay by **Monday 31st May 2027**.

World Mental Health Awareness Day

Friday 9th October 2026 is World Mental Health Awareness Day and children are invited to wear a yellow accessory **in addition to their uniform** (e.g. yellow socks or a hair accessory), as part of YoungMinds' #HelloYellow campaign. This campaign encourages people to stand together in support of young people struggling with their mental health, to show they matter and deserve the help they need, when they need it, no matter what. If you would like to make a donation to this wonderful charity, please follow this link [Donate | Help Young People Get Mental Health Support | YoungMinds](#)



Reminder - Contacting School

To help us manage communications efficiently and ensure important information is received by the correct team, we kindly ask parents and carers to use the appropriate school email inboxes for specific requests.

Changes to Home Time Collection Arrangements - In line with our safeguarding procedures, any changes to your child's usual home time collection arrangements must be communicated by email to the school administration inbox admin@norbreck.blackpool.sch.uk **before 2.00p.m.** on the day of the change. This helps us ensure that all collection information is recorded accurately and shared with staff in a timely manner.

Lunch Requests and Changes - Any requests or changes relating to school lunches should also be sent directly to the school administration inbox admin@norbreck.blackpool.sch.uk This enables our office team to process requests promptly and ensure that catering arrangements are updated accordingly.

School Clubs Enquiries - To support the growing number of extra-curricular activities we offer, we have now created a dedicated email inbox for all school club enquiries. Questions regarding changes in collections, club places, waiting lists, cancellations, or general club information should be sent to: clubs@norbreck.blackpool.sch.uk

Also, a polite reminder that communication from school will be sent via email, therefore **please remember to check your emails frequently as not to miss this important information!** Thank you for your support and cooperation in helping us maintain clear communication and ensure the smooth running of the school.



BFCCT October Sports Camp

Blackpool Football Club Community Trust are holding an October Sports Camp. The camp provides children with a fantastic opportunity to stay active, develop new skills, make friends, and enjoy a fun-filled environment during the school holidays.

What to expect:

- Fun-filled sports and activities
- Energetic games and competitions
- Team-building challenges and skill development
- A safe and welcoming environment for all children
- Halloween-themed party on the final day! 🎃 🧛

Early bird offer - valid until **16th October** at **7:00p.m.** £16 per day/£70 for the full week

Standard Pricing - After **16th October** at **7:00p.m.** £19 per day/£85 for the full week

Lancashire County Council Percussion Day

Lancashire Music Service (LMS) are hosting a Percussion Day for young players aged 18 and under.

Never played before but want to try? Come and join Lancashire Music Service for the day for the chance to try a wide range of Percussion Instruments. They will be joined by Yamaha Artist Simone Rebello who will provide support, inspiration and a Masterclass!

Taking part in the event costs £7.50 per student and consists of workshops, masterclasses, performances and more!

Sunday, 11th October 2026, 10.00a.m. – 3.30p.m. (with arrivals from **9.45a.m.**) St Christopher's C of E High School, Queen's Road West, ACCRINGTON BB5 4AY

Please click the link below to sign up

<https://UKLANCASHIRE.speedadmin.dk/registration?signupSchoolID=0#/Course/918/0/7745/0>



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.