NORBRECK PRIMARY ACADEMY Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Children,

WEEK ENDED: 9th October 2026		
Best FS / KS1 Class Attendance	2M	100%
Best KS2 Class Attendance	3LF & 4O	99.2%
Most Punctual FS / KS1 Class	RG, 1B & 2T	0 late arrivals
Most Punctual KS2 Class	5S	1 late arrival
Whole School Attendance For The Week		96.7%
Number Of Children Late At Least Once During The Week		**41**

Attendance

Well done to RG, 1B, 2M, 2T, 3LF, 4O and 5S!



Life Education Visit

The wonderful Life Education visits will take place in school from **Tuesday 10th to Tuesday 17th November 2026**. All the children will have the opportunity to take part in the programme, which is specifically designed for their age group. The aim is to encourage the children to think about all aspects of health (including mental health and wellbeing) and make positive decisions about themselves. Please make your subsidised payment of £4.50 per child, by **Friday 6th November 2026** via the Parent Pay website. Bookmarks are available to purchase at £1 each. If you wish your child to purchase one, please send them to school with £1 in cash (on this occasion) on the day of their class session. An email will be sent on Monday containing further information and your child's Life Education session date.



Fit2Glo Football

On Monday, a group of our Year 2 children went to 'Glo Football' and had a fantastic time. They played in lots of mini matches against other local school in the area. The children loved glowing in the dark in their neon bibs, headbands and wristbands! They showed fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the event and had a brilliant time taking part in this exciting football experience.



Girls' Football Match vs Westminister Primary Academy (Away)

Norbreck Girls' Football Team travelled to Westminister on Monday evening to compete in the Girls' Cup Competition and produced an impressive performance from start to finish.

The girls began the game confidently, quickly settling into their stride and demonstrating the experience and teamwork they have developed throughout the season. Their quality shone through against their opponents, allowing them to control the game and create numerous scoring opportunities.

Norbreck emerged as deserved winners on the night, with the goals shared across the team in a display of excellent attacking football. The standout goal came from Maisie, who scored the pick of the bunch in the first half with a superb turn and finish that left the goalkeeper with no chance.

Special mentions go to Evie and birthday girl Sienna, who both made their first starts for the team. The pair impressed throughout the match with confident performances, showing great determination, skill and maturity on their debuts.
Well done to all the girls for another fantastic team performance and for representing Norbreck so brilliantly.

Player of the match: Olivia J for a calm performance in defence and striding out of defence confidently.
Team: Evie – 5H, Caitlain – 6L, Gracie – 6L, Florence – 6P, Maisie – 6P, Olivia J – 6P, Olivia S – 6P, Sienna 6S.

INSET Day Reminder

A reminder that there is a staff INSET day on **Friday 23rd October 2026** and school will be closed to all pupils. School will reopen after the half term break on **Tuesday 3rd November 2026** at **8.50 a.m**.

Morning Arrivals

A gentle reminder to all our families about the importance of arriving at school on time. Being on time helps your child start the day calmly and settle into their learning routine without any added stress. Every minute counts, especially at the start of the day. We understand that mornings can sometimes be a challenge, but your efforts to ensure your child arrives on time really do make a big difference. Thank you for your continued support.

Lunch Changes

If your child wishes to change their current lunch arrangements for after the half term holidays, please email admin@norbreck.blackpool.sch.uk by **Wednesday 21st October 2026** for the change to take effect from **Tuesday 3rd November 2026.** Also, a gentle reminder that lunches must be paid for in advance for the week ahead.

Book Fair

A HUGE thank you to everyone who attended the Scholastic Book Fair. It was wonderful to see so many families supporting this event. A fantastic **£764.49** was raised earning **£305.80** in commission to be divided equally between each year group for some brand new texts.



Tours of the School

If you were unable to attend the Open Evening, we are running tours of the school on the following dates:

Monday 19th October 2026
Wednesday 4th November 2026
Thursday 12th November 2026
Friday 27th November 2026
Tuesday 1st December 2026
Thursday 10th 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

Y6 High School Places for September 2027 Reminder

Please remember to apply to your local authority to seek a place at a school of your choice. The on-line application systems for both Blackpool and Lancashire councils are open. Please click on either link Blackpool School Admissions or Lancashire School Admissions (for Wyre or Fylde residents).

The deadline is **Saturday 31st October 2026.**

Applying after this date will reduce your chances of securing a place at one of your preferred schools.

Reminder - Deadlines

A polite reminder that the deadlines for the following trips are approaching fast. If we do not receive consent, then unfortunately your child will not be able to attend.

Y4 Trip to St. Andrew's Church – deadline **Monday 19th October 2026**
Y5/Y6 Glee Club home time collection arrangements – deadline **Tuesday 20th October 2026**
Y3 Singing Squad home time collection arrangements – deadline **Tuesday 20th October 2026**
Y6 Hangar 42 Spitfire Museum Trip – deadline **Monday 2nd November 2026**
Life Education – payment deadline is **Friday 6th November 2026**

Reminder - Before & After School Clubs Update

Monday: Y5/Y6 Netball Practice finishes for half term on **Monday 19th October 2026**

Monday: BFCCT Y2 Mixed Football finishes on **Monday 19th October 2026**

Tuesday: KS2 Golf finishes on **Tuesday 3rd November 2026** – returning for one week after half term.



Blackpool Primary Mental Health Worker Team

Did you know that the Blackpool Primary Mental Health Worker (PMHW) Team offers weekly community drop-in clinics for children, young people, parents, carers, and professionals?



These sessions provide an opportunity to discuss emotional wellbeing, mental health concerns, and access advice, guidance, and support in a relaxed and friendly environment.

On **Thursday 22nd October 2026** the team will hold a clinic here at Norbreck from **9.00 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.** making support accessible within our local community. No referral is required, and families can simply attend to speak with a member of the team.



Holiday Activity and Food Camp

Looking for fun activities for your child during the October half-term holidays? Blackpool Football Club Community Trust are offering a fantastic holiday camp with FREE places available through the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme for eligible children!

Dates: **Monday 26th – Friday 30th October**

Time: **9am - 1pm**

Children can look forward to:

- Fun sports and team games
- Exciting activities and challenges
- Making new friends
- Building confidence and staying active
- A healthy meal provided each day

The holiday camp provides a safe, friendly, and welcoming environment where children can have fun, learn new skills, stay active, and make lasting memories during the school holidays.

Please use the link to book https://forms.gle/o4eWwKyRmRLXyeAo9

Yours sincerely,

Mr Ian Cooper,
Headteacher.

SYNERGY EDUCATION TRUST

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 Miss Fagioli (Learning Mentor). Information can be found via the app – from the homepage/content/safeguarding tab which links to the school website.