



Griffin Park Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Date: 3rd October 2025



HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

It has been another great week of learning here at Griffin Park Primary School with lots of exciting things taking place for our pupils. My assembly on Monday covered Black History Month where we get to share, celebrate and understand the impact of black heritage and culture. We are blessed here at Griffin Park to have a diverse population and we enjoy being able to learn alongside people from a range of backgrounds and cultures.

On Wednesday I was visited by our local councillor Julie Gunn. Julie is responsible for Children, Young People and Education in Blackburn with Darwen. Julie came in to see how the school operates and talk about how we can work together to make the site safer and more secure for our children. She was very impressed with what she saw and how friendly the children were. We hope to welcome Julie back many more times in the future to share in special events that take place throughout the year.

On Thursday Years 5 and 6 went to see the BBC Philharmonic Orchestra perform their latest collection of Ten Pieces of music at St Wilfred's High School. This amazing opportunity was arranged by our music Lead, Miss Astley, and everyone who went came back buzzing with excitement by what they had seen and heard. Also on Thursday, we were treated to an excellent class assembly from Year 5. They focussed on World Poetry Day focussing on famous poems and the author Alan Ahlberg. It was a delight to watch – well done Year 5.

Mr Chapman.

KEY DATES

- 9/10/2025 – Parents Evening 3:30-6:30pm
- 16/10/2025 – Y3 Class Assembly
- 22/10/2025 – Bonfire Talks with KS2
- 23/10/2025 – Y4 Harvest Assembly
- 24/10/2025 – Y6 to PGL for 2 nights
- 24/10/2025 – School Closes for Half-Term at 3:15pm
- 3/11/2025 – School Re-opens
- 4/11/2025 – Pumpkin Party after school
- 1/12/2025 – Christmas Panto AM/Christmas Art Day PM
- 3/12/2025 - Y1/2 Gymnastics Performance (Y1 – 10am/Y2 – 11am)
- 9/12/2025 – Christmas Jumper Day
- 10/12/2025 – Infant Nativity (AM)
- 11/12/2025 – Infant Nativity (PM)
- 15/12/2025 – Infant Christmas Party
- 16/12/2025 - Junior Christmas Party
- 19/12/2025 – Awards Assembly 1:15pm
- 19/12/2025 – School Closes End of term 2pm

Attendance and Absence

We strongly encourage good attendance to support your child's learning and progress.

- If your child is unwell, please contact the school office by 8:45am on each day of absence
- If your child has been physically sick (vomiting) or had diarrhoea, they must remain off for a clear 48 hours before returning to school.
- Proof of medical appointments will need to be shown to the office to be authorised

Parents Evening

Parent's evening will take place on Thursday 9th October in the school hall. The booking system is now open for appointments. Thank you for your patience so far with this. There were technical issues due to a change in the website provider but we have resolved these now. Please contact the office if you are having any difficulties booking.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who will receive their certificates on **Friday 10/10/25**

- YR: Gabriela
- Y1: Amina
- Y2: Cassius
- Y3: Manha
- Y4: Harry
- Y5: Alisha
- Y6: Jessica



Councillor Julie Gunn and Mr Chapman

Staffing

Today we say goodbye to Miss Nawaz who has been supporting the year 4 class this year. We wish her well as she goes to start her university course. On Monday we welcome Miss Hussein who will be supporting children in Key Stage 2.

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