

# Weekly Newsletter

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Newsletter Number: 11



## HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

We have made it to the end of another exciting and busy week at Griffin Park Primary school. There has been lots going on in school and it has been lovely to see the children enjoying their learning.

On Monday, we welcomed M&M productions into school for a Christmas pantomime. The children loved watching the performance with a drink and a chocolate treat. Mr Abdullah was only slightly better than me in the dance off when we were dragged on stage to take part in the show. Following the show, children throughout the school took part in a Christmas art day where they made decorations and displays to put up in their classrooms and the hall to give the school a festive feel for December.

There are lots more Christmas activities in the next couple of weeks, including another pantomime, a Christmas jumper day and the Christmas parties. It will be a welcome break from all the assessments the children have been working so hard on this past week.

On Wednesday we had two people from the local authority in school to do a safeguarding audit. They were with us for the whole day and looked at every aspect of school life. I am pleased to say that they were very impressed with what they saw here at Griffin Park.

Throughout the day they kept commenting on what a lovely, calm learning environment the school was. At the end of the day, I felt very proud of the staff and the children for their efforts every day to make being a member of team Griffin a positive experience for all. Going forward, we will be looking at how we can make the school site more secure to enable us to provide even more exciting outdoor opportunities in a safe, purposeful environment.

## BEHAVIOUR POLICY

Griffin Park has a new behaviour policy. We have written it to help the children learn how to take responsibility for their behaviour and work in a positive, co-operative way each day. It focuses on children having agency over the decisions they make and understand that positive choices lead to positive outcomes.

I will be introducing our three golden rules to the children in assembly on Monday and explaining how the rewards and consequences system will work. A copy of the behaviour policy will be published on the school website for you all to see.

## DINNER MONEY PAYMENTS

Mrs Cameron-Clarke has asked me to remind you that any overdue dinner money payments will need to be cleared before school closes at the end of term. Please log onto Parent Pay to see if there are any outstanding monies owed. We understand that this time of year can be difficult for families financially. If you are would like a confidential conversation with a member of staff about payments, please contact the school office and we will help as much as we can.

## KEY DATES

**9/12/2025** – Christmas Jumper Day

\* **11/12/2025** – Infant Nativity (am & PM)

\* **17/12/2025** – Infant Christmas Party

\* **18/12/2025** - Junior Christmas Party

**19/12/2025** – Awards Assembly 1:15pm

**19/12/2025** – School Closes for end of term 2pm

\* Please note these changes of date

## STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who will receive their certificates on **Friday 12/25**

YR: Muhammed-Azaan

Y1: Isabella

Y2: Rabiyyah

Y3: Olivia

Y4: Elih

Y5: Finley

Y6: Zaid



## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Well, not really. We will now be publishing the school address as:

**Griffin Park Primary School, St Philip's Street, Blackburn, BB2 1UT.**

This is to help people find the main entrance to school instead of the back door. The official school address will remain as Cavendish Place.