St James' Blackburn CE Primary School EXCEPTIONAL IN ALL WE DO Respectively.

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Vision Statement

Guided by our Christian Values, we endeavour to inspire, cherish and serve our school community. We strive to be exceptional in all we do. We will nurture a love of all God's children. We seek to build respect for all faiths and beliefs.

'Serve one another in love' (Galatians 5.13)



Mission Statement

Together we value, inspire and develop each other within a happy, safe community based on Christian values and respect for other faiths.

'Show respect to everyone' (Peter 1 2.17)

THE SCHOOL FOCUSES THIS YEAR ARE: READING, RE & WORSHIP

Remembrance Day

Remembrance Day, also known as Armistice Day or Poppy Day, is technically meant to honour the end of World War One, which occurred at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. But Remembrance Day has long been a time to pay respect to the fallen from all wars. Traditions used to observe Remembrance Day include the wearing of poppies, and a two-minute silence at 11am on the eleventh day of the eleventh month.

School will be selling poppies and other 'Remembrance' products such as bracelets, snap bands and erasers. All donations will go to the 'Poppy Appeal'.

Poppies will be sold at a minimum donation of 20p each, although higher donations are welcome, and all items featured in the photograph on the right will cost a donation of £1 each. Sales will take place during break times.





<u>Early Years - Limited Places</u> Available

There are still places available for the morning sessions in the Early Years Centre.

The morning sessions run from 8.30am until 11.30am. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the school office for more information.

The George Grunshaw Inspired Art Competition

On Friday 8th November we will be holding an art exhibition to celebrate the work produced during All Saint's day. This will be held in the KS1 hall and parents, families and carers are invited to visit during the periods of 8.30am - 9.20am & 2.45pm - 3.15pm. Please make sure that your children are picked up at the normal time of 3pm. As part of this day each class will enter into the George Grunshaw Inspirational Artist competition. George Grunshaw was a Governor of Saint James' who sadly passed away in 2017. We hold this annual competition to celebrate his memory and his contribution towards school life.



Reception Parent Meeting

Thank you to those parents who attended the Reception Parent Meeting before the holiday. Miss Dakin was thrilled to see so many parents eager to support their children's learning.

Uniform Donations

A huge thank you to the families that have kindly donated unused school uniforms. They will go a long way to helping those in need.

Please keep the donations coming into the school office.



Times Tables Rockstars

A reminder to parents and children that Times Tables Rockstars can be accessed at home. Although children may view this as just a game, it is a fantastic way for children to improve their times tables

whilst enjoying themselves. Children are able to study alone or against their peers. Children's logins can be obtained from class teachers if forgotten.



Reader

Accelerated Reader

"So please, oh PLEASE, we beg, we pray, go throw your TV set away.

And in its place you can install, a lovely bookshelf on the wall." — Roald Dahl.

Staff at school aren't actually asking to you to throw your TV away, but spending more time reading will improve your child's vocabulary, creative skills and their imagination. The children's home reading books are very important to their school life as when their book has been completed they are then tested on it in class using the program 'Accelerated Reader'. This program will provide the class teacher with data on how to help your child improve their reading.

Term Dates

08.11.19 - Art Exhibition

11.11.19 - Remembrance Day

14.11.19 - Y3 Parent Worship at 8.50am

28.11.19 - Y1 Parent Worship at 8.50am

02.12.19 - Advent Begins

06.12.19 - Y6 Trip

17.12.19 - Christmas Lunch/ Jumper Day

19.12.19 - Church Service

20.12.19 - School Closes for Half Term at

3.00pm

