

'For with God, nothing is impossible' Luke 1:37

Our new Mission Statement

Following consultation last academic year, I am very pleased to announce that we have a brand new Mission Statement: **'For with God, nothing is impossible'**. Taken from Luke's gospel Chapter 1 verse 37. To celebrate our new vision, we are holding a Mission Launch on Thursday 31st October. This will be an opportunity for any parents who wish to learn more about our Mission and the values that underpin it and how it informs our work at school. If you are able to join us on this day, please wait near the doors to the Main Hall. Doors will be opened at 9:00 a.m. when tea or coffee and a continental-style breakfast treat will be served. I hope that you will be able to join us!

Secondary School Applications

All Year 6 parents should have received a letter giving information on how to apply for your child's secondary school place for next September. If you require more information and would like a leaflet explaining the process, the school office does have a limited number to give out to parents. The deadline for secondary applications is Thursday 31st October 2019 (this month). Parents can apply online at www.blackpool.gov.uk/admissions. If you have any queries you can contact the School Admissions Team on 01253 476637. Do not wait until the final day to apply in case of computer failure or a delay in postal services. If you apply online, you do not need to complete the paper application form. Voluntary aided academies may require a supplementary form to be completed in relation to applications based on faith. These forms must be returned to the relevant secondary school (not to Baines'). Please contact the school that you are applying to for more details.

If you choose to apply online, on 1st March 2020 parents will receive an e-mail confirming the allocated school. If you apply by post, parents will receive a letter that will be posted out to you on 2nd March 2020.

If you apply late you may reduce your chances of an offer for one of your preferred schools – **PLEASE DO NOT APPLY LATE.**

If you wish to Appeal the school place that you are offered, you may request an Appeals Form from the School Admissions Team on 01253 476637. Appeal forms must be submitted by mid-April 2020. Appeals will be heard in June 2020.

Secondary School Open Evenings

A flyer with the dates of Secondary School Open Evenings was sent out to all Year 6 parents. Please go along to as many Open Evenings as you can, to ensure that you can make the best choice for your child.

If any parents have missed the Open Evening of their preferred secondary school, please contact the secondary school to enquire about any future open days.

Primary School Admissions

If you, family or friends have a child who was born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 (the child will have a 4th birthday between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020), you must apply for a Primary School Reception place for September 2020. Parents can apply for a Primary place online at www.blackpool.gov.uk/admissions. Paper applications and information booklets are available from schoolaccess@blackpool.gov.uk or by phone at 01253 476637. Closing date for Primary applications is 15th January 2020. If you apply late you may reduce your chances of an offer for one of your preferred schools – **PLEASE DO NOT APPLY LATE.**

Baines' Open Morning

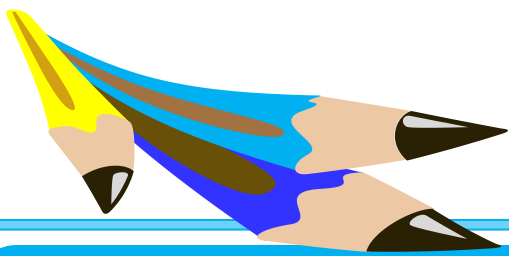
We are having an Open Morning at school on Tuesday 15th October. All parents and carers who are considering Baines' Endowed as their choice of school for their child who is starting in September 2020 are welcome to come in and take a tour around school. I will be delivering a Headteacher's address at 9:15 a.m. to prospective parents and tours will begin shortly after. Coffee, tea and biscuits will be served from 9:00 a.m.

Parents' Evening – Date for your diary!

Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 21st November 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. and then from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Letters to arrange an appointment will be sent out after half term.

Science Week

Well done to all our pupils and staff for taking part in Science Week last week. We had an amazing time! The World of Work day was a great success and the children loved 'having a go' at some of the different careers that are available in the world of science! A huge thanks to the Science Team in school, for organising such an exciting week of learning for everyone!



KS2 Harvest Service

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for our KS2 Harvest Service at St. Paul's. Those who were at church will have witnessed an incident when a gentleman in church used rude language towards myself, in front of the children and was asked to leave church; which he did. As well as logging a report with the police, I have spoken with the Diocese. From this date forward, all future school services at Church will be closed to the general public. Only parents and family members will be allowed into church. When you wish to attend any services at church, please pop into the school office to collect a Church Ticket, or ask your child to collect one for you.

Forgotten Items

Please can you ensure that your child brings all their kit and any equipment with them to school in the morning. We regularly have children coming to the office saying they have forgotten their musical instruments or PE Kit. Our office staff are happy to help, but they are extremely busy during the day and the increased demand has become difficult to manage. Many thanks for your support with this matter.

Parental Survey

We are resending our parental survey as a paper copy, due to very low numbers of returns last term. Please can you spare a few minutes to complete the survey and return it to school as soon as possible, so that we can view your opinions on certain aspects of school. I am currently working on improving communication with parents and am interested in your views on this.

New PTFA Members Welcome!

If any parent is interested in finding out more about the work of our PTFA and how they can join, please check out our PTFA Facebook page, or ask at the school office for more details on how to join.

Sunday Services at St. Paul's

9.00 a.m.	Morning prayer
10.00 a.m.	Family Eucharist with all age activity/ teaching

Parking

I have noticed that one or two parents have been parking on the yellow zig-zag lines outside school. Can I please remind you that this potentially puts our pupils at risk, as they are trying to access school. **Please do not wait or park on the yellow zig zag lines outside school.**

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 10th Oct. – PGL Presentation evening – Year 6 pupils who attended PGL are invited to attend with their parents/carers.

Tuesday 15th Oct – Open Morning 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Thursday 17th – 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Book At Bedtime. Our wonderful annual event. Wear your pj's, bring your teddies and join us for some great stories and poems!

Friday 18th Oct – 3JR Class Assembly 9:05 a.m. Main Hall. 3JR parents welcome to attend.

School closes on Friday 18th October at 3:15 p.m.
School restarts on Tuesday 29th October at 8:45 a.m.

Getting ahead...Next Half Term...

8th November 9:05 a.m. – 4BW Class Assembly. 4BW parents are invited to attend.

Friday 15th November – Children in Need: Non-uniform day and 3CW Class Assembly. 3CW parents are invited to attend.

Thursday 21st November from 3:30 p.m. Parents' Evening.

Monday 25th November – Academy Photographs: individuals and siblings.

Tuesday 26th November 9:15 a.m. – Year 5 and 6 Advent service in school. Year 5 and 6 parents are invited to attend.

Friday 29th November – St. Andrews Day.

Thursday 5th December 5:00 p.m. Christmas Fayre in school.

11th and 12th December - Nativities and KS1 Carol Concert in school. Reception/Year 1 and 2 parents are invited to attend.

16th December 6:00 p.m. Carol Service at St. Paul's Church, Marton.

Poppies will be on sale in school later this month, for a donation of 50p.

Thank you for your continued support.
Mrs. Rusling