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Dear Parents.

<u>Sporting Events – Well done to the Football Team</u> on reaching the finals of the Jubilee Shield which will be played after half term. Team members included: Elliot Martin, Ruben Smith, Thomas Kilshaw, Thomas Hodgkinson, Muhammad Khan, Spencer Hodgson, Connor March, Jordon Eddleston and Zayd Esa. The same team played in the league against Salesbury and narrowly lost 1-0.



On Monday 6th October the **Cross Country** Teams ran and were well placed, the girls scoring 99 and the boys 108. All the children ran extremely well showing both speed and stamina. Boys' Team: Ruben Smith, Elliot Martin, Jordon Eddleston,

CJ Meadows, Thomas Kilshaw and Muhammad Khan. Girls' Team: Cortlen Rowe, Kelsea Tracey, Megan Tracey, Amelia Tyson, Danielle Probert, Katy Lord and Amber Robinson.

On Thursday 9th October our **Tag Rugby** Y5 and Y6 team members played an interschool tournament. The team played very well, narrowly losing in the semi-finals. Very well done to you all. Team members: Jake Orme, Ruben Smith, Autumn Souch, Josh King, Chloe Ratcliffe, Megan Tracey, Kelsea Tracey, Elliot Martin, Muhammad Khan and Spencer Hodgson.



<u>Harvest appeal for Foodbank</u> – Many thanks, once again, for your very generous response to our Harvest appeal for Foodbank. A total of 227 kg of food was collected!

The Great 2p Race! The competition between each class to fill their jar with 2 pence pieces has been amazing. The prize of £50 to spend in their class goes to the Reception Class who raised £96.52!! Other classes collected: 2nd Year 4 - £60.84; 3rd Year 5 - £57.18; 4th Year 1 - £48.30; 5th Year 2 - £46.04; 6th Year 6 - £34.68; 7th Year 3 - £26.42. A total of £319.98 has been raised for school funds!



School re-opens after half term on Monday 3rd November.

<u>Closing Dates for Application to Primary and Secondary Schools for September 2015</u> – This year Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council are encouraging parents to complete online applications. For more information please go to www.blackburn.gov.uk/admissions or contact the Admissions Team on 01254 666613. The closing date for applications is:

Secondary School -31^{st} October 2014 (Paper copies to be in school by Friday 24th October at the latest.) Primary School -15^{th} January 2015

<u>Our Big Screen Cinema show this year is 'The Book of Life'</u> which is due for release on 24th October so no need to see it over half term. More details will be sent after the half term holiday.

Book Fair – Thank you to everyone who supported the Book Fair last week and dressing in pyjamas on Friday. A total of £955.04 was taken, giving a total rewards of £573.02 to spend in school on books (just over £80 per class).

Dates for Diaries:

Mon 3rd November School re-opens Wed 5th – Fri 7th Robinwood Trip for Y6

Tues 11th Remembrance Service in School for children and Year 6 Parents

Thurs 13th Life Education Van in School

Full Governors Meeting – 5.30 p.m.

Friends' AGM – 7.00 p.m.

Fri 14th Life Education Van in School

Absolute Dodgeball – Y2-Y6 – starts today for 5 weeks

Wed 19th Netball Tournament – 3.30-6.00 p.m.

Thurs 20th New Parents Meeting 1.30 p.m. and 5.30 p.m.

Governors Finance Meeting – 4.00 p.m.

Wed 3rd Lancashire Fire and Rescue Carol Service at Blackburn Cathedral – 7.30 p.m.

Thurs 11th Reception and Year 1 Nativity – 2.30 p.m.

Lunchtime Carols – children sing from 1.00 – 1.30 p.m.

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Tues 16th Community Cinema in School – The Book of Life

Junior Carol Service in Church – 7.00 p.m.

Wed 17th Pocket Money Stall in School – afternoon

Thurs 18th Christmas Lunch

Talent Show in School

Fri 19th Talent Show in School

Crib Service in School for children

Yours sincerely,

B. Haigh Headteacher