

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

Dearest BGL Family,

What a glorious week we've had in the sunshine! A particular highlight has been the phenomenal Year 3 and 4 performance, which truly blew us away. From the fantastic acting and impeccable comedic timing to the joyful singing and sheer fun on stage, it was a delight from start to finish. We've received so many wonderful messages of praise, with many saying it was the best performance BGL has ever produced – the bar has certainly been set high!

Today, we also welcomed members of our Local Academy Council (formerly known as Governors) for their termly Curiosity Visit. These visits provide an opportunity for LAC members to see our policies in action and engage with life at BGL. Our children confidently showcased their wider curriculum learning, and we had rich discussions around our BGL wellbeing offer – a testament to the vibrant and supportive environment we are so proud of.

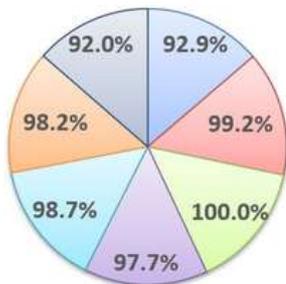
As we approach the end of another busy and rewarding term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our children, parents, staff, and the wider BGL community for their continued support and enthusiasm.

Wishing you all a restful and joyful Easter break!

Mrs K Esa
Headteacher

ATTENDANCE

Overall attendance this week: 97.0 %



Attendance Percentage



Number of pupils Late



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SPOTLIGHT ON YEARS 3 AND 4 – 'AROUND THE WORLD IN 50 MINUTES'

Year 3 and 4 amazed us with their vibrant and imaginative performance of 'Around the World in 50 Minutes'. Bursting with energy, creativity, and confidence, the show was a joyful celebration of global adventure and storytelling. Every child shone on stage, showcasing their talent and teamwork. A huge thank you to the staff for their incredible support, and to families for cheering them on. What a truly memorable production—bravo to all involved!



RECEPTION MILK



Milk is free for children that are age 4. If your child is 5 (or turns 5) during the Summer Term and would like to continue having milk, a payment is required to the school. Please make payment on School Spider.

RECEPTION SNACK

Please ensure you make payment for Reception Snack Summer Term by Tuesday 22nd April. Snack is provided by the school on a daily basis and varies each day with yoghurts, cheese and crackers, fruit, vegetables, soups, fruits and many other items offered. We hope to encourage children to eat a variety of food.



Y1 - Y6 TOAST



Please ensure you make payment for Toast Summer Term by Tuesday 22nd April. The toast list will be handed to the school kitchen and the class teachers on the first day back from Easter.

THE NEST

The Nest advanced booking for May sessions is now open on School Spider. The deadline for the reduced rate is 30th April 2025.



RUGBY TRIALS



Rugby trials for Years 5 & 6 will take place at lunchtime on Wednesday 23rd April in readiness for Rugby league games (8th, 15th & 22nd May).

UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Monday 21st	School Closed (Easter Monday)
Tuesday 22nd	School re-opens for Summer Term
Tuesday 22nd	Whole Trust Churchtown Relay
Wednesday 23rd	Y5 & Y6 Rugby Trials (lunchtime)
Thursday 24th	Whole School Sponsored Danceathon (PE kit to be worn)
Thursday 24th	Y6 Dr Bike (PE kit to be worn)
Thursday 24th	Reception Tots on Tyres (PE kit & helmet required)
Thursday 24th	Y3 Wheels Club (1/5) 3.00 - 4.00pm
Thursday 24th	Selected children to visit Churchtown Primary School
Friday 25th	Reception visit to Clitheroe Castle
Friday 25th	Y4 Swimming
Monday 28th	Y4/Y5 Outdoor Learning Club (1/5) 3.00 - 4.00pm
Monday 28th	Y2 Forest School
Tuesday 29th	Eid Celebration selected children to visit Deepdale Community Primary School



We're Hiring!

Out of School Club Assistant

Brindle Gregson Lane are seeking a dedicated and enthusiastic Out of School Club Assistant to join our team and help create a welcoming and enriching experience for our pupils. Start date: ASAP or September 2025.

Deadline: 9:00am
Tuesday 22nd April
2025
Interview: Friday
25th April

Monday to Friday 2:50pm - 6:00pm
(3 hours, 10 minutes a day)
Totalling 15hours 50 minutes per week
Part time - Permanent position - term-time only.
Salary: FTE £23,656



Please visit our school website for more information on this post like the Job description, role and responsibilities and to download an application form. Alternatively, please call into the school office for a hard copy of any of these documents.

CHURCHTOWN RELAY



The whole of BGL will be taking part in a sponsored Danceathon on Thursday 24th April. Please can any funds raised be paid on School Spider - Churchtown Danceathon, or directly to:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/churchtown-primary-school>. (reference BGL)

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

INSTAGRAM

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

Instagram remains one of the world's most popular social media platforms, especially among teens – with around 70% of 13 to 17-year-olds using it. Owned by Meta, Instagram allows users to share photos and videos, create interactive 'stories', broadcast live, send private messages and follow others. With regular updates and new features, it's essential for parents and educators to stay informed about how children are using the app – and what the risks are.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EXCESSIVE SCREEN TIME

Instagram's design encourages prolonged use through endless scrolling of trending content and generating a fear of missing out (FOMO). Children can quickly lose track of time browsing posts from friends, influencers, and strangers, which may disrupt their day-to-day activities.

AI CHATBOT CONCERNS

Meta's AI, which is available on Instagram, allows users to chat with an in-app chatbot. While often helpful, it can have boundaries for young users, who may see for or read content that is inappropriate or see it as a real friend or confidant. Privacy issues also arise, as conversations may not be as secure or private as children assume.

RISKS OF GOING LIVE

The live stream feature allows real-time broadcasting to followers – or anyone, if the account is public. This increases the chance of unwanted contact from strangers and pressure to act in ways that gain attention, including engaging in inappropriate behaviour. Viewers may also post offensive or harmful comments during live sessions.

THREADS INTEGRATION

Threads is Instagram's sister app for public, text-based conversations. Posts from Threads appear in users' Instagram feeds and can lead children to view, share, and comment on public conversations with strangers. The content may not always be age-appropriate and can be misleading or false.

SCHEDULED MESSAGING

Instagram's newer ability to schedule direct messages means that children could receive messages late at night or early in the morning. This can disrupt their sleep or keep them preoccupied before the school day even begins.

EXCLUSION AND LOW SELF-WORTH

Feeling left out online can have a real emotional impact. Being left out of photos, receiving fewer likes, being unfriended, or being ignored in chats and comments can leave children feeling excluded, which often hurts as much as being like. There is a risk this can lead to reduced self-esteem and a sense of not belonging.

Advice for Parents & Educators

USE INSTAGRAM'S SUPERVISION TOOLS

Instagram's built-in Family Centre lets parents monitor how much time their child spends on the app. Spectacles 'teen accounts' are private by default and offer controls on who can message them. Make sure that children use their real age when registering their account to ensure they have these protections.

OPEN UP THE CONVERSATION

Talk regularly to the children in your care about what they enjoy on Instagram – and what makes them uncomfortable. Encourage honest chats about likes, body image, and online approval. Reassure them that they don't need to edit their appearance or chase 'likes' to feel valued.

SET BOUNDARIES FOR THREADS AND AI

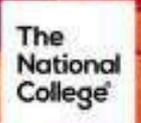
Parental controls on Instagram also apply to Threads. These allow parents to monitor time spent in the app, check between likes and adjust exposure to sensitive content. Discuss AI features, too, therefore helping children understand that chatbots aren't real people and should be used with care.

BE MEDIA-SAVVY WITH INFLUENCERS

Parents should follow a few of the influencers their child watches, so they can better understand the content they're seeing. Use this as a springboard to talk about the difference between genuine recommendations and paid promotions – and how online personalities can shape opinions and behaviour.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



COMMUNITY NEWS



UDEVELOP AND TATTON COMMUNITY PRESENTS

EASTER FAMILY FUN DAY

SATURDAY 5TH APRIL
12:30-2:30PM

EASTER ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

EASTER EGG HUNT IN THE TATTON RECREATIONAL GROUND

FUN AND GAMES AND ICE CREAM AVAILABLE

WE WILL BE ANNOUNCING THE WINNERS FOR THE EASTER POSTER COMPETITIONS AND THE ADULT BONNET MAKING COMPETITION

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INSIDE OUT

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This session teaches children to manage their emotions and understand others. We will support your child to build an emotional tool kit to use after the session ends

**Euxton Library,
St Mary's Gate,
Euxton, PR7 6AH**
Monday 7th April
1.30pm until 2.30 or
3pm until 4pm



Book your place using the QR code



Highfield Family Hub
Wright Street, PR6 0SL
Tuesday 8th April
1-2.30pm or 3-4.30pm

Join us for exciting easter crafts and an egg hunt!!

Little Egg Explorers

Duke Street Family Hub
Duke Street, PR7 3DU
Thursday 10th April
1-2.30pm or 3-4.30pm

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Easter Fun Session

Join us for non stop kids entertainment!

Clayton Brook Village Hall
Clayton le woods
Bamber bridge
Lancashire, PR5 8HL
Tuesday 15th April
1-3pm



Springfield Park Easter Event

Join us for crafts, sports, games and an easter egg hunt!

Thursday 17th April 1-3pm
Springfield Road North,
Coppull, Chorley PR7 5EG



Book your place through the QR code



fun fest
HOLIDAY CLUB

Easter Holidays

7th - 11th April 2025
Fun Fest Walton-le-Dale

	AM	PM
Monday	Pottery Athletics	Harry Potter Experience Sports Action
Tuesday	Superheros & Princesses 3-7 Bonkers Bingo	Sports Action Puppet Making Fun Fit 3-4 Cricket Club 5-12
Wednesday	Under the Sea 3-7 Dream Makers	Ultimate Frisbee Space Cadets Wacky Races
Thursday	Mad about Science	Fun Fit 3-4 Dodgeball 5-12 Messy Mayhem Sports Action
Friday	Lego Creations Im a kid get me out of here	Fun Day Friday!!

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Choose fun at

7th - 17th April 2025

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Easter Holidays
3-12 years

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HOLIDAY CLUB

Easter Holidays

14th - 17th April 2025
Fun Fest Walton-le-Dale

	AM	PM
Monday	Easter Gardens Sports Action	Beauty School Football Camp
Tuesday	Playful Painting Scavenger Hunt	Jewellery Making Sports Action
Wednesday	Creative Cooks Circus Training	Crafty Creations Minute to Win It
Thursday	Easter Party!	Easter Party!

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Session timings:
6 - 7pm All Stars and 7 - 8pm Dynamos

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The poster features a light beige background with a string of orange and blue triangular bunting at the top. At the bottom, there are several colorful Easter eggs (orange, blue, and yellow) resting on a patch of green grass. The text is centered and includes logos for 'All Saints Higher Walton' and 'Holy Trinity'. The main title 'Easter Eggstravaganza' is in a large, bold, black serif font. Below it, the date and time are given as 'Friday 11th April 9am-10:30 @Holy Trinity Church Hall'. The activities listed are 'Fun - Crafts - Story - Refreshments' and a note that 'Easter related outfit or bonnet optional'. At the bottom right, it states 'Free of charge. No need to book. Just turn up! All children must be accompanied by an adult.' There are also small orange flower icons scattered around the text.

All Saints Higher Walton and Holy Trinity

Invite you to our...

Easter Eggstravaganza

Friday 11th April 9am-10:30 @Holy Trinity Church Hall

Fun - Crafts - Story - Refreshments
Easter related outfit or bonnet optional

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