



## **Newsletter - July 2025**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Where has the year gone? It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of another school year! I want to take a moment to say a big thank you to all of you for your continued support, encouragement and for working alongside us throughout the year. It has been a real team effort, and together we have helped make BHHIS a safe, happy and welcoming place for our children to grow and learn.

A huge thank you to all of our incredible teaching staff, teaching assistants, and the wider school team for everything they have done this year. They work tirelessly behind the scenes (and in the classrooms!) every day, always going the extra mile to support our children. In true BHHIS style, the team have ended the year on a high by putting on some fantastic end-of-term treats for the children, including a beach party, a festival, a garden party and some brilliant water fun!

As we wrap things up for the school year, we say farewell to a few valued members of our team.

Mr Dagnall will be leaving us to take up an exciting new position at Dawpool Primary School. He is much loved by the children at BHHIS, and his presence will be greatly missed—not only in school but also at the Out of School Club. We also say goodbye to Miss Siddall, who is moving on from her role as Teaching Assistant as she relocates to Warrington. I know you will join me in thanking both Mr Dagnall and Miss Siddall for all they have brought to our school community and in wishing them every success for the future.

We have been unable to appoint a new caretaker so Mr Pritchard has agreed to stay with us for a bit longer so we can re-advertise the position. If you know anyone who would be interested in a caretaker position at our school then tell them to contact us.

Good luck to our wonderful Year 2 children as they move on to the Junior School. They have been a pleasure to have in school, and we will miss their smiles, energy and enthusiasm.

Wishing you all a safe, restful and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for the new academic year.

## **Reading**

Please can any books belonging to school be returned as soon as possible. Please try to continue to read with your child over the summer holidays. Reading for 5-10 minutes every day will make a huge difference. Perhaps you could look at some of your child's favourite books or you might like to join the summer reading challenge, which is run by local libraries. This year the reading challenge is called Story Garden. You can sign up for the challenge by visiting a library or online at [summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)



## **Poster Competition**

A big well done to all the children who took part—your posters were creative, colourful, and full of brilliant messages about keeping our teeth healthy. We will announce the winners in Celebration Assembly on Friday. The winners impressed us with their fantastic designs and important reminders to brush twice a day and make healthy choices!

## **Black Horse Hill Has Talent!**

It has become a bit of a tradition that **on the last day of the summer term** the Year 2 pupils put on a talent show for the younger pupils to show off their skills and talents before they leave us. We have had magic tricks, dancing, singing, skateboarding, karate, football and instrument playing. The children can be in the talent show as an individual or in a group. There is however no obligation for the Year 2 children to join in. If your child needs something to showcase their talents this can be dropped off in the morning.

## **School Uniform**

Often parents/carers buy new uniform ready for the start of the academic year. Please remember to label your children's clothing so any lost items can be returned easily to their owner. Due to a shortage of space on children's pegs, we would be grateful if you would **not** buy large school bags. Our purple school bags, or similar, are ideal; they fit into trays in the classroom and are easily accessible for reading books etc. during the day. Our PE Kit is a white t-shirt and black/navy shorts.

Furthermore, please remember that children should not wear earrings to school.

## **Every Day Counts!**

As we look ahead to the new school year, we'd like to take a moment to remind families of the importance of regular attendance. Every day in school is a valuable opportunity for your child to learn, grow and build friendships. Even missing a few days can make it harder for children to keep up with their learning and routines.

We kindly ask that you check the school term dates carefully and avoid taking holidays during term time.

## **PE Day**

Our whole school PE day is a Friday. Children should come to school dressed in their school PE kit.

## **Staff Development Days 2025-26**

Monday 1st September 2025

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

## **Diary Dates 2025**

### **July**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July Non Uniform day (Break the Rules day)

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July -School closes for summer break

### **September**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September Staff Development Day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - Children return to school/ F2 children (not currently in our F1) start school

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September- F2 children who have been in our F1 provision start school

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September - Foundation 2 Curriculum Evening for parents @ 5pm

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Year 1 Curriculum Evening for parents @ 5pm

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – Year 2 Curriculum Evening for parents @ 5pm

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September - Full Governing Body meeting

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September Back to School Disco

### **October**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October - Individual Photographs

w/c 20<sup>th</sup> October Parent/Teacher meetings

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Non Uniform Day Children - finish for half term break

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Staff Development Day

I hope you all have a great summer and I look forward to seeing you in September!

Yours sincerely,

Julie Morris