

Dear Parent / Carer,

As you are aware since the government announced the closure of schools in March, we have remained open in the first instance for our key workers and identified children. Since June (date of opening) we have been delighted to invite more children into school. We look forward to September and the return to school for all our children.

As we close school for the summer holidays we are aware for some families there will be a need for childcare over part of the break.

Our local authority is working hard with out of school providers and holiday schemes / clubs to give you and your family a clear overview of what is on offer in your local area during the holidays. The guidance from the government regarding out of school settings has only recently been available for providers, hence the delay in being able to share the offer with you earlier.

For holiday childcare provision please visit the Families Information Service, contact details for which are :

Helpline: 01254 667877

Email: [fis@blackburn.gov.uk](mailto:fis@blackburn.gov.uk)

Website: <https://www.blackburn.gov.uk/SynergyWeb/>

Information regarding out of school activities for this summer are available at [www.getstuckin.org.uk](http://www.getstuckin.org.uk) where you will find lists of all the activities, venues, ages and times. You will also be able to register to take part on this site. More information will be shared soon on the Council Website and Facebook pages. Another useful place for information is the Local Offer [www.bwd-localoffer.org.uk](http://www.bwd-localoffer.org.uk)

There will be further communication regarding school opening in September but we wanted to give our families a clear understanding of the possible opportunities within our local authority during the summer holidays when school is closed.

