

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Black History Month

This week, we have celebrated Black History Month. This national celebration aims to promote and celebrate black contributions to society and to foster an understanding of Black history in general. Each year group, have focused on a significant person and have studied the contributions that this person has made to society. We have looked at leaders, inventors, politicians and explorers, and have discussed how it is important to recognise that there is no separation between black and white history, but rather a recognised importance in engaging with all aspects of history as a way to understand the present, and possible futures.

'In justice anywhere, is a threat to justice everywhere'. Martin Luther King

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COVID 19 Guidance for Parents/Carers

Please click the link below or head to our school website to access advice on what to do if someone has symptoms of COVID 19.

<http://www.paschalbaylon.org.uk/covid-19/>

EYFS & Y7 Secondary 21/22 Applications

Parents, please share this with friends and neighbours. For your information, from Saturday 12th September both the Reception Class and Year 7 (Secondary) admissions application windows opened. Parents can now apply online.

Reception Class – apply for your child's place from Saturday 12th September. Closing date for on-line applications is Friday 15th January 2021 – St. Paschal Baylon school form must also be completed – please ask at the school office or download from the school website.

Year 7 (Secondary) – apply for your child's secondary school place from Saturday 12th September. **Closing date for on-line applications is 31st October 2020.** For Catholic schools you will also need to complete their own admission forms.

Guidance on how to apply for a Y7 Secondary School place can be found on our website. Please head to the 'Parents' tab on the homepage and select 'Useful Information' from the drop-down menu.

All literature directs parents to apply online. Please note that children who are **not** Liverpool Local Authority residents must apply to their home local authority as per the local co-ordinated admissions arrangements.

If you need support with your application please contact school office.

The Admissions Team.

Mrs Dillon

Mrs Leahey

Mrs E Andrew

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Feeder Secondary School Virtual Tours

St Julie's Catholic High School

A virtual tour is available on St Julie's website www.stjulies.org.uk and a Supplementary Application Form is available via the Admissions tab.

There is also a new feature from the Admissions Banner on the front page of the school website www.stjulies.org.uk.

The new feature allows parents to submit their contact details so that a 'Virtual Admissions Appointment' can be made with a member of the Leadership Team to ask any questions about life at St Julie's or to ask about any individual concerns they might have about their daughter's Transition to Secondary School.

St Francis Xavier's College

A virtual tour is available on SFX's website. Please head to the homepage www.sfxl842.org and select New Year 7 Transition 2020 tab.

Primary Online Safety Newsletter

Please go onto our school website and read the online safety newsletter from Knowsley Virtual School. It is packed full of information about how to keep your children safe from harm when they are online, gaming and using social media. It includes tips about using parental controls when your child is using games such as Fortnite and social media such as TikTok along with vital information about what to do if you feel your child is a victim or perpetrator of cyberbullying. Remember: **If it's unacceptable offline, then it's unacceptable online. Be Kind.**

Y4 First Holy Communion – With You Always Programme

Message from CTK Church – Due to COVID 19 'With You Always' 2020 sessions have been postponed until further notice. Thank you.

PTA – Own Clothes Day

Children may come to school wearing their own clothes on Friday 6th November. A donation of £1 per child would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support.

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Additional INSET Day

One additional INSET day, set on **Tuesday 5th January 2021**, has been added to our Term Dates (available to view on our school website).

This has been given to all Liverpool Schools who are taking part in the RWI programme.

Diary Dates

Secondary School Closing Date for Applications – Friday 31st October

School Closes for Half Term – Friday 23rd October (normal times)

Half Term – Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October

School Returns – Monday 2nd November

Own Clothes Day – £1 Donation – Friday 6th November

Remembrance Day – Wednesday 11th November

Anti-Bullying Week – Monday 16th November – Friday 20th November 2020

Odd Socks Day – Monday 16th November 2020

School Health Nasal Flu Vaccinations – Thursday 26th November

Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 02.11.20	Y1	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	LLS – Multisport	Y1 & Y2	3.15pm– 4.15pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 04.11.20	Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Thursday	LLS – Multisport	Y3 & Y4	3pm–4pm

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General/Important Information

~~DOGS including hand held dogs~~ ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE SCHOOL SITE



We have children who are allergic and also children who are afraid of dogs.

School Nurse

Parents/carers can now ring the School Nurse directly, anytime, to discuss any issues/concerns you may have regarding your child.

Please call: 0151 295 9700

ASD Training Team Drop-in Sessions

The Liverpool ASD Training Team are providing a series of virtual drop in advisory sessions via Zoom. They are for parents/carers wishing to talk in a private one to one setting about any questions or concerns they may have about their child. You do not require a diagnosis of ASD to book your place.

Dates for November 2020

Times for each date

Monday 2nd November
Friday 6th November
Monday 9th November
Wednesday 11th November
Wednesday 18th November
Thursday 19th November
Friday 20th November
Monday 23rd November
Tuesday 24th November
Wednesday 25th November
Thursday 26th November

9.30 – 10.15
10.30 – 11.15
11.30 – 12.15
1.00 – 1.45
2.00 – 2.45

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

Reception have had a wonderful week back in school after our home isolation. We were all so happy to be back together in our school with our friends! We've been working very hard, continuing to learn new sounds in phonics. We have started to use these sounds to read words. After half term you will be informed of a date for our reading workshop. In maths this week we have continued learning more about number two. We have learnt about partitioning and the different ways we can make two. We have been really creative this week designing a Christmas card! We decided to go for a rainbow theme to say a special thank you to all of our key workers! Reception have also been working hard on their mindfulness using meditation and yoga. We have followed meditation stories each day and discussed what is mental health. It is half term next week so we are wishing everybody a restful and safe half term and we will see you again on Monday, the 2nd of November.

YEAR ONE:

We can't believe we are at the end of our first half term in Year One already. We have learnt so much and are starting to make really good progress. This week, things have been rather different to our usual timetable. On Tuesday, we enjoyed an art morning; painting sun and moon pictures using hot and cold colours. Our work is amazing! On Thursday, we spent the morning making something special – all will be revealed very soon! On Friday, we had a treat morning watching Happy Feet. After all our hard work on penguins we thought it would be fun to watch the movie all together. We also enjoyed a little party afternoon for Miss Dillon. We had cakes and sweets and spoilt her with some cute baby presents! Alongside all of this, we have even managed to squeeze in some subtraction in maths and some writing in English; we have been learning how to use adjectives and we enjoyed writing ingredients for a spooky, witch's potion! There were some disgusting ideas! We hope you all have a lovely half term!

YEAR TWO:

Year 2 have had a fantastic final week of term! We have been learning all about Poetry and have even created some of our own for our favourite foods. In Maths, we have learned how to use the column method to subtract two numbers. We used our prior knowledge to help us set out our tens and ones in the correct column. In R.E we have created some celebratory cards for Judaism week, and set the table for Shabbat. We now know people of the Jewish faith celebrate each Saturday, Shabbat Shalom. Finally, in Art we have got the chance to finish off our Liverpool skyline masterpieces. We used our drawing skills to draw a silhouette of the skyline and glued this to our Van Gogh inspired sky.

YEAR THREE:

I think most of the children would agree, that the highlight of the week was becoming computer programmers using *Turtle Academy*. Initially, it was a whole class step-by-step process; however, once the commands and degree turns had been mastered, the children were 'let loose' to read the tutorial and continue at their own pace.

In science, Year 3 became puppeteers, making their own shadow puppet in order to investigate how the distance of a light source from an object affects the size of the shadow, whilst in maths we stepped through subtraction when *renaming* and *regrouping* was required (what used to be called 'borrowing'). The children have been enjoying reading about the lives of a range of famous people in the English and guided reading focus – biographies. So far, they have delved into the lives of Steve Jobs, Lionel Messi, Ed Sheeran, Henry VIII, Rosa Parks (linked to Black History Month) and Walt Disney. Walt Disney was a particular favourite and, as Mrs Roberts is such a Disney fan, she knew how to access Disney's first animation, 'Steamboat Willie'!

Our Childwall locality, now and in the past, continued to be the focus in geography and we finished the week with learning more about climate change as part of the school's *OutRight* campaign. This week's activity encouraged the children to go home and learn about climate change from the adults in their family, by asking them about the changes that they have witnessed in their lifetime.

The Year 3 team wish all our children a happy half term break and remind them that they can still be learning using TTRockstars, Numbots and Spelling Shed, and don't forget to keep on practising telling the time using the three steps. We look forward to seeing you all again soon.

YEAR FOUR:

It's been such a creative, and exciting, week in Year 4! In English, the children had to write their own detailed explanation of 'The Shirt Machine'. We were very pleased with the quality of their independent writing! In Maths, we used a rap to help us remember the rules for rounding 4-digit numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. Why not ask your child to recite it at home?

After weeks of researching and planning, the children finally got to create their very own decorative bedroom light. We were so impressed with their final products, and we are sure you will be too. There are definitely some future designers in Year 4!

We hope you have a well-deserved rest next week.

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YEAR FIVE:

This week in English, we designed our own amusement parks based on the monster Grendel from the legend of Beowulf and wrote persuasive texts convincing people to visit! In Maths we have looked at different written methods of division. We learned that it is important to know our times tables for this! In History we looked at how the Anglo-Saxons influenced Britain, such as with place names and learned about the discovery at Sutton Hoo. We wrote newspaper reports about the event and discussed the artefacts.

In RE, our focus was Judaism. We learned the story of the Exodus and about the special food that goes on the Seder plate. We also made mezuzahs - ask us what they are!

In Science, we dropped different spinners to see the effects of air resistance and investigated levers by trying to balance differently weighted coins on a ruler and pencil. It's been a busy half term so enjoy a well-earned rest but remember to keep practising your spellings and times tables on Spelling Shed and TTRS - let the battle commence!

YEAR SIX:

Adding and subtracting fractions was our focus in Maths this week whereby the key was ensuring the denominator was the same and trying to remember to simplify our fractions at the end. We really enjoyed learning about Nelson Mandela and his struggle to live out his dream for his country South Africa. We wrote a biography on Charles Darwin in Science, which was interesting to find out about what he has learnt through his journey on the HMS Beagle. We have all worked hard this half-term and are all in need of a little rest before the run up to Christmas.

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Download our school app from the App Store or Google Play (links can be found on our school website under Parents Tab/School App) and receive our weekly newsletter every Friday!

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