

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Santa Dash!

Our annual Santa Dash was a huge success today, thank you all so much for sponsoring your children and for your generous donations. Please visit SPB's Twitter page and website for some great photos and videos of the event!

We will reveal the total amount raised and the prize winners next week.

Every single penny will be spent on your children ensuring they receive a rich and enjoyable experience at school.

*May you be blessed by the Lord
with the same warmth and joy you have given.*

Thank you so much!

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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/>

Christmas Dinner

We are excited to announce that we will be offering all children from EYFS to Y6 a Christmas dinner on Thursday 17th December! The meal will include a Christmas ice-cream.

Every child is very welcome to stay on that day, even if they normally have a packed lunch. Children who normally have a school dinner will automatically have a Christmas dinner. If your child is normally packed lunch but would like a Christmas dinner, please send £1.60, in an envelope with your child's name on it, to school by Wednesday 16th December. (Please note that no alternative will be offered on this date). Merry Christmas Dinner!!

Christmas Mass at Christ the King Church

Christmas Masses at Christ the King & Our Lady this year are **strictly** ticket only.

Christmas Eve: 5.30 pm (already full)
 9.00 pm
 12 midnight - Carols at 11.30pm outside the Church

Christmas Day: 10.00 am

Please call the parish office for more information on 0151 722 3321

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EYFS 21/22 Applications

Parents, please share this with friends and neighbours. For your information, from Saturday 12th September the Reception Class 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.

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

Activities

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

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Diary Dates

Christmas Party Day – Wednesday 16th December

School Closes for Christmas Break @ 1.20pm to 1.35pm – Friday 18th December
Staggered leaving times – please see letter End of Term Arrangements on website
Parents/Letters home

INSET Day – School Closed for Children – Monday 4th January 2021

INSET Day – School Closed for Children – Tuesday 5th January 2021

Children Return to School – Wednesday 6th January 2021

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

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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 December 2020

Monday 14th December 2020
Tuesday 15th December 2020
Wednesday 16th December 2020
Thursday 17th December 2020
Friday 18th December 2020

Times for each date

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

To book your place please email your choice of date and time to asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk and you will be emailed a zoom link. There are two places available for each time slot.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week, we have had an assessment week. We have shown our teachers how much we have learned over the last couple of months. Our teachers were very impressed with our reading, writing, number and shape knowledge. In Maths, we have started to explore number 7! We have learned how to write the number, the word, one more and less than 7, counting 7 and ways to make 7. In our busy time areas this week we have been making Christmas cones to decorate our classroom and we also used finger paints to create baby Jesus in his manger. On Friday, we had our first Santa Dash! After dashing around the yard in our Christmas outfits, we had a festive day of Christmas music, crafts and colouring. We also started our Christmas cards which we will bring home next week. We are looking forward to the last week of our first term in school!

YEAR ONE:

We have started to get in the festive spirit this week with lots of enjoyable activities. We have written senses poems all about Christmas, using lots of adjectives to describe the things we can see, hear, smell and feel at this time. We have also completed some sentence writing about Buddy, our naughty class elf, who has been getting up to all kinds of mischief!

On Thursday, we enjoyed a Design and Technology day where we designed and made our Christmas cards; you are all certainly in for a treat!

The highlight of our week was Santa Dash day on Friday. We enjoyed a festive run with our friends and made Santa binoculars. We look forward to trying them out at home; searching the skies on Christmas Eve for Santa!

YEAR TWO:

What a fantastically festive week Year 2 have had this week. In English, we read the Santa Trap and came up with our own ideas of how we could trap Santa- we certainly will not be planning any traps for Santa though as we all want to stay on his Nice list. In Maths, we have investigated length and how we can compare lengths using cm and m. We continued our Advent topic in R.E where we discussed the Annunciation and Visitation in the Nativity story. We have been creating lots of footage for our Christmas film and can't wait to show you all next week. We finished our week off by having lots of fun for our Annual Santa Dash. We are very excited about our final week of term and hope the Naughty Christmas Elf doesn't play any tricks on us.

YEAR THREE:

Advent has been a feature in Year 3 this week, both in our daily (giant) advent calendar around the class whiteboards, and in our R.E. lessons, where the children have been learning about the wait for the Messiah through scripture from Isaiah. The staff of Year 3 also get the impression that the children are waiting in joyful hope for someone else to arrive – we wonder who???

In English, the children have become poetry detectives, with a particular focus on shape poetry. We have enjoyed poems around a range of themes, including snakes, octopus, kites, Christmas trees and rain, to name but a few. In each one, poetic devices, such as rhyme, rhythm, simile, metaphor, repetition and alliteration have been identified (or not, in the case of one or two poems). It was of general opinion that the most enjoyable poems, were the ones that rhymed.

In maths, the focus remains multiplication and division – moving on to more formal, structured methods, whilst in history, the emphasis was on the rich in Victorian society, and the enormous gap between the classes during these times – with the rich being very rich, and the poor being very poor. On Tuesday, the children studied food labelling in the science lesson, so apologies if you are being pressured to shop at Aldi, where the 'traffic light' system of food nutrition is on many of their products!

As usual, we would like to encourage the children to keep consolidating their learning by accessing TTRockstars, Numbots, Spelling Shed and their homework on Google Classroom.

YEAR FOUR:

It has been another busy week in Year 4!

In English, the children have thoroughly enjoyed preparing questions and interviewing Mr Flood and a Lidl representative about the proposed opening of a new food store, on the site of the former Coronation pub. They will use some of their responses as quotes in their independent newspaper article next week. We are really looking forward to reading their finished articles – there are definitely some budding journalists in our midst!

In Maths, we have continued to develop our multiplication and division skills. The children have improved their understanding of commutativity and recognise why it may be useful when answering multiplication questions.

Whilst in R.E, the children have been exploring the gift of love and friendship and writing their own poems about Jesus – God's gift to our world!

On Friday, along with the rest of the school, Year 4 enjoyed dashing around the school grounds in their festive outfits and completing some Christmas-themed Maths and English activities.

We are all looking forward to more festive fun next week!

YEAR FIVE:

Last week in English lessons, Year 5 wrote sections that were missing from the story of Oliver Twist. This week, they turned their writing into playscripts, complete with character lists, stage directions and dialogue. In Maths, we have been looking at arithmetic questions and word problems which sum up all of learning so far this year. In RE lessons we learned about the symbolism of the Advent Wreath and how this relates to Christian belief in waiting hopefully during Advent. We also learned about how Jesus belonged to the family of King David and completed Jesse trees to show this. In Geography, we brought together all of our learning this half term, including lines of latitude and longitude and world time and climate zones. We enjoyed testing the solubility of different solids in Science this week and investigating the effect of temperature on the speed at which solids dissolve. We also used magnets, sieves, filter paper and the process of evaporation to separate different mixtures.

YEAR SIX:

This week, in English, we have been discussing metaphor and how it is used to add variation and interest to poems and stories. We looked at two songs which are filled with metaphor and discussed the meaning behind them. Our songs were 'I am a rock, I am an island' by Simon and Garfunkel and 'Blowin in the Wind' by Bob Dylan. We are sure many of you are familiar with these songs so why not ask the children what they think each metaphor means; they had some amazing interpretations! In Maths, we have been converting between units of time, mass and length, using a range of strategies (such as finding multiples, dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 and dividing using decimals). We really enjoyed our Science lesson on Monday which involved using our cereal boxes and mirrors to create a periscope! We discussed how the angle of reflection and the angle of incidence enabled us to see over the top of objects, using our homemade periscopes. Thank you for sending in your cereal boxes; who knew they could be put to such good use?

KEEP IN TOUCH...

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!

Or follow us on Twitter @SPBPrimary