

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Beginning of Advent – Sunday 28th November

Hope becomes peace.

Peace becomes joy.

Joy becomes love.

Love becomes Christ.

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Operation Christmas Child



Thank you to all those who filled a shoebox for this year's Operation Christmas Child appeal, sharing love and joy through your gifts.

What goes into the shoebox is fun, but what comes out of it is eternal.

EYFS 21/22 Applications

For your information, from Wednesday 1st September the Reception Class admissions application windows opened. Parents can now apply online.

Reception Class – apply for your child's place from Wednesday 1st September. Closing date for on-line applications is Saturday 15th January 2022 – 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

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Reminder – Dogs on School Premises

Can we remind parents that dogs are not allowed within the school grounds.

Diary Dates

Parent Workshop (Zoom) Understanding and Managing Challenging Behaviour – Thursday 2nd December @ 1pm

Christ the King Christmas Fair – Saturday 4th December 1pm to 4pm

Y4 Reconciliation – Monday 13th December

School closes for Christmas Break – Tuesday 21st December @ 1.30pm

INSET Day – Wednesday 22nd December 2021

Children return to school – Wednesday 5th January 2022

Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 01.11.21 for 7 weeks	Y1	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Tuesday	LLS Multisports From 14.09.21 for 12 weeks	Y1 & Y2	3pm – 4pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 03.11.21 for 7 weeks	Y3	7.50am-8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 03.11.21 for 7 weeks	Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Thursday	LLS Multisports From 16.09.21 for 12 weeks	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 05.11.21 for 7 weeks	EYFS	3.10pm-4.10pm

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General/Important Information

School Nurse

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

Please call: 0151 295 9700

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week we have begun our new topic, People Who Help Us. We have focused this week on firefighters, which led to us having a visit from a real firefighter on Thursday! The children had lots of fun finding out all about his job, and looking at his uniform. They had prepared lots of questions to ask and listened brilliantly to all the answers. In busy time we have been writing CVC words and learning the features of a simple sentence. We have used our 5 star sentence guide to help us write a sentence about a firefighter. In Maths this week we have begun learning about the number 7 with the help of our new monster Jerry. We have practiced our subitising skills and explored the different ways of making 7. In RE we have continued with our different faith's topic, this week focusing on Islam. The children have learned about the Qur'an, mosques, and have designed their own prayer mats using beautiful patterns. Have a great weekend everyone.

YEAR ONE:

This week, year 1 have been working hard. We have written a non-chronological report on The Great Fire of London, using our knowledge of conjunctions and how to write facts. We also explored The Great Fire of London through our History lesson, discussing and writing about the consequences of the fire and how things changed.

In maths we have been working on using Positional language. We have explored how to use language such as 1st, 2nd, 3rd etc. and how to describe positions using last, after, before and between.

In R.E. we have learnt about Islam, who the Prophet Muhammed was and what qualities he had, such as sincerity and generosity. We also completed our topic of Belonging, writing about the symbols of Baptism and designing our own Baptismal candles to remind us that 'Jesus is the Light of the World'.

We are so excited for December to start next week!

YEAR TWO:

We have been getting into the festive spirit this week, rehearsing some music for our Christmas production. Details of the arrangements will be released in the next few weeks. In Maths, we have moved onto our new topic of length, using metres and centimetres as units of measurement. In English, we have explored other traditional tales with a theme and have written a character description of Mr Wolf. This week for Science, we explored the question, are the oldest children the tallest? We were surprised to see some trends which did show this, but others which didn't follow. So overall we now know that the oldest isn't always the tallest.

YEAR THREE:

In Year 3 this week, the children focused on 'Shape Poems' during their English lessons. Across the two classes, the children explored how to present poetry in the shape of the poem's theme, within groups. When presenting their poems, it was a pleasure to see the pupils reading with expression and intonation too! In history, we looked at the reasons as to why so many people moved to Liverpool (in the Victorian era) and the impact this had on employment, housing and resources. The children also learnt the meaning of the word 'sanitation', which is one of the key pieces of vocabulary within the topic. In RE, the children explored the religious place of worship for Muslims, before describing what the outside of a mosque looks like. In order to assess the progress made within Year 3, the children have also completed: a reading comprehension, a maths arithmetic test as well as two further maths tests. The Year 3 team were very impressed with how well the children conducted themselves, during the assessments! Finally, on Thursday it began to look a lot like Christmas, as both classes created their Santa Boots!

YEAR FOUR:

This week, in English, the children have written their own fairy tales based on a troll. It was really pleasing to see how much the children have progressed this term, and we thoroughly enjoyed reading their work.

We have now moved on to look at newspaper articles and the children are currently using the most recent issue of 'First News' to explore the key features.

In Maths, we have continued our work on multiplication and division, and the children are beginning to realise how important it is to have a good knowledge of times table facts. Year 4 have also been using Times Table Rock Stars to improve their recall speed, and we hope they continue to regularly use this platform at home.

In R.E., Year 4 learnt all about the Sacrament of Confirmation. The children then wrote their own explanation of what happens during each part of this important sacrament.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

YEAR FIVE:

It has been a really busy but fun week in Year 5. Maths lessons have focused on division, and we have been really impressed with the children's skills of perseverance when looking at the trickier questions. Bill Sikes was centre of attention in our English lessons: the children wrote a new scene into Oliver Twist that focused on Bill's reaction to Nancy's betrayal. In RE this week, the children have studied Islam, looking at the sacrifices made during the holy month of Ramadan, and writing Eid cards to celebrate the end of Ramadan and helping out the poor. Separating materials was the order of the day in Science, and our budding scientists used the processes of evaporation, filtration, sieving and magnetic attraction to separate mixtures of: salt and water; sand and water; raisins and flour; rice and paper clips. What a week!

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YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have had a busy week in English writing an alternative chapter to the Wizard of Oz. Some weird and wonderful characters took the spotlight when avenging the Wicked Witch of the East. In Geography, we studied the population density in the USA and had unpicked as to why some states may be sparsely or densely populated. In R.E. we held a class debate about how having a responsibility can bring both rewards and burdens on that person. Finally, in maths, we spent some time multiplying fractions not forgetting to show our answer in the simplest form.

KEEP IN TOUCH...

Please provide the school office with your email to allow us to invite you to use our app. Receive our weekly newsletter every Friday and keep up to date on events, term dates and much more!

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