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SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Poppy Appeal 2022

Poppies will be on sale in school next week. Children may bring in a donation to help the Royal British Legion support serving and ex-serving Armed Forces personnel and their families.

Every person, every donation, every poppy counts

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Firework Code

If you are using fireworks at home this weekend please plan carefully and follow the Firework Code.

A poster with a dark blue background and colorful fireworks in the top right corner. The title 'FOLLOW THE FIREWORK CODE' is in large white and yellow letters. Below it, a line of text says 'If you must have fireworks at home, please follow this safety advice.' The poster is divided into two columns: 'DOs' with a green checkmark icon and 'DON'Ts' with a red X icon. Each column contains a list of safety instructions.

FOLLOW THE FIREWORK CODE

If you must have fireworks at home, please follow this safety advice.

DOs ✓

- Only buy fireworks from retailers registered with MFRS
- Keep fireworks in a closed box
- Follow the instructions on each firework
- Light them at arm's length, using a taper
- Stand well back
- Always supervise children around fireworks
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves
- Keep pets indoors

DON'Ts ✗

- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks
- Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them
- Never give sparklers to a child under five
- Don't let fireworks off after 11pm

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Shoeboxes have been sent home today. Please return them to school no later than **Thursday 17th November**.

Please visit [How to Pack a Shoebox \(samaritans-purse.org.uk\)](https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk) for information on gift suggestions and how to pack your shoebox.

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PE Days for this term

PE days for this term are as follows:

EYFS – Monday
Year 1 – Tuesday
Year 2 – Monday
Year 3 – Wednesday
Year 4 Wednesday
Year 5 – Tuesday
Year 6 – Wednesday

Roadworks

We have been informed that the roadworks will continue outside school for a number of weeks.

Can parents remind their children to take extra care on their way to and from school.

Any concerns regarding the roadworks that have been reported to school have been passed on to the council and the contractors.

We are pleased that we have already witnessed actions addressing some of these concerns take place.

EYFS 22/23 Applications

Parents, please share this with friends and neighbours. 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 Friday 15th January 2023 – **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 From 31.10.22 for 8 weeks	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Monday	Choir	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 1.11.22 for 8 weeks	Y5 & Y6	7.50am – 8.30am
Tuesday	LLS Multisports From 20.09.22 until 15.12.22	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 02.11.22 for 7 weeks	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 03.11.22 for 7 weeks	Y3 & Y4	7.50am – 8.30am
Thursday	LLS Multisports From 22.09.22 until 15.12.22	Y1 & Y2	3.15pm – 4.15pm
Thursday	ReAction Group	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 04.11.22 for 7 weeks	EYFS	3.05pm – 4.05pm

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

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Diary Dates

U11 Girls Football SPB vs Windsor @ Tiber Street, L8 OTP – Monday 7th November @ 4pm

Pendle Ski Trip – Tuesday 8th November 2022

Y4 Synagogue Visit – Wednesday 9th November 2022

Y6 Remembrance Assembly – Y6 Parents/carers welcome – Friday 11th November @ 9.15am

U11 Girls Football SPB vs Runnymede @ Tiber Street, L8 OTP – Tuesday 15th November 4pm

U10 Boys Football SPB vs LIPA @ Heron Eccles, L25 7TA – Thursday 17th November 4pm

Own Clothes Day – (PTA) Donations of Toys – Friday 18th November

U11 Boys Football SPB vs Runnymede @ Jeffrey Humble, L9 6AG – Tuesday 22nd November 4pm

U11 Boys Football SPB vs Belle Vale @ Heron Eccles, L25 7TA – Tuesday 29th November 4pm

Own Clothes Day – (PTA) Donations of Chocolates or wine/spirits – Friday 2nd December

Breakfast with Santa EYFS – Tuesday 6th December

U11 Girls Football SPB vs Bishop Eaton @ Heron Eccles, L25 7TA – Tuesday 6th December 4pm

Breakfast with Santa Year 1 – Wednesday 7th December

EYFS Nativity – Parents/carers Elmer Class welcome – Wednesday 7th December @ 9.30am

Breakfast with Santa Year 2 – Thursday 8th December

EYFS Nativity – Parents/carers Gruffalo Class welcome – Thursday 8th December @ 9.30am

U11 Boys Football SPB vs Banks Road @ Heron Eccles, L25 7TA – Thursday 8th December 4pm

Breakfast with Santa Year 3 – Friday 9th December

Santa Dash (whole school) – Friday 9th December

KSI Christmas Family Bingo – Tuesday 13th December 5pm – 7pm

KS2 Christmas Bingo Night – Thursday 15th December 5pm – 7pm

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School Closes for Christmas Break – Tuesday 20th December @ 1.30pm

INSET Day (school closed to children) – Wednesday 21st December

INSET Day (school closed to children) – Wednesday 4th January 2023

Children return to school – Thursday 5th January 2023

General/Important Information

Support Available at Belle Vale Health Centre

Did you know that EVERY WEDNESDAY by appointment there is a dedicated worker from The LIFE rooms based at Belle Vale Children's Centre to help you sort anything out that might be having an impact on your emotional well-being and your family's well-being.

- Family and caring responsibilities
- Mental health and physical well being
- Financial difficulties
- Employment issues
- Housing issues
- Social activities

Ring the CHILDRENS CENTRE on 0151 233 1705 to book an appointment

Also, EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON by appointment there is a dedicated worker from RIVERSIDE FLOATING HOUSING SUPPORT based at Belle Vale Children's Centre to help you sort any housing issues that you may be experiencing or need help accessing Property pool.

Ring the CHILDRENS CENTRE on 0151 233 1705 to book an appointment

Please find the link to the Early Help Directory below:

[Access it here.](#)

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

Children have been put into their new phonics groups and have continued to learn sounds and blend words. In RE, we finished our baptism topic. We re-enacted a baptism, sequenced photos of a baptism and then we used the photos to talk about the stages. In RSHE, we talked about what makes a good friend. As part of our geography, we learned what a map is. We went for a walk around our school and then practised drawing a sketch map of our school. We have continued to read our favourite five books and sing our rhymes. We have also given out parts for our Nativity Assembly. Next week, we will send home the parts and words for the children to practise. Finally, we watched a video and talked about being safe this weekend around bonfires and fireworks. Have a great weekend everyone!

YEAR ONE:

It has been a great first week back in Year 1. The children have been working very hard and we have been very busy. In English this week, we received a box of objects, the children used question words to ask about why the objects are here and which characters might use them in a story. We then read the story Zog and wrote sentences and labels to describe what Zog looks like.

In Maths, we began a new topic on Subtraction, using the subtraction symbol to create number sentences, using number lines to help us find the answers and solving number picture problems.

In History, we learnt about Black History Month and Ruby Bridges' first day in school. We then compared her first day to our first day in Year 1 and described the differences using emotion words. In Science, we explored plant that we eat. We built plant diagrams using different foods as each part of the plant, such as carrots for the roots and broccoli for the flower. We also explored different leaves from our welly walk in the park and identified which tree they came from. Check out our class Twitter page to see our amazing artwork from this week too, we used hot and cold colours to create a contrasting oil pastel picture of the sun and moon.

YEAR TWO:

Year 2 have had a great week back in school, they have settled back in well and have been excited to start some new topics. In English we have begun our new topic, Traditional Tales with a Twist. On Monday we had an exciting surprise from the wolf! He left us some clues and a new book to read- The Three Little Super Pigs, which we have been basing our learning around this week. In maths, we have been continuing with our topic of subtraction, looking at subtraction with renaming. This has been quite tricky but the children have worked hard and have produced some brilliant work! Homework this week is based around this, please see sheets for more details. In geography we have begun looking at the UK, recapping cities and counties and looking at capital cities on a map. In RE we have continued with our topic of baptism, looking at how the priest welcomes the baby into God's church. New spellings have been uploaded onto Ed Shed.

YEAR THREE:

It was good to welcome Year 3 back and a new half term brought new areas of learning in a number of curriculum areas. On Tuesday, in the history lesson, the children started to compare Liverpool in the Victorian era, to modern day Liverpool and we touched upon the impact of this era on our city. Thursday brought the introductory lesson to our first computing unit, 'Desktop Publishing', where the children explored the effectiveness of text and images in communicating messages clearly and effectively; whilst in design and technology, the design brief for producing a healthy wrap for a specific purpose was introduced. In maths, the children revisited and extended their knowledge of bar models from Year 2 - using interlocking cubes, squared paper and eventually bar model drawing to aid understanding of word problems involving addition and subtraction. And around all this was the usual spelling, handwriting and guided reading. Well done, Year 3, for displaying a positive start to the second half of the Autumn term.

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YEAR FOUR:

The Year 4 pupils arrived back on Monday rested and ready to learn!

In maths we have continued to look at multiplication, where we have practised recalling our 9, 11 and 12 times tables and also looked at tricks and tips to help us get to different times table facts.

On Tuesday, we started our new English unit on fairy tales. Throughout the week, we have been reading Philip Pullman's version of 'Puss in Boots' and responding to what we've read through written activities. There was lots of laughter in the classroom as pupils read out their letters from Monsieur Ogre to the King of France.

Continuing our work in geography, pupils learnt about different types of land use in urban environments then created a map for their own settlement. They were asked to consider where residential, retail, community and medical buildings would go and ensure that there were appropriate transport links in there.

We wish all pupils and parents an enjoyable weekend and a fantastic time celebrating Guy Fawkes Night.

YEAR FIVE:

The children have shown a great interest in our new English focus, Oliver Twist and they have enjoyed studying the vocabulary in the modernised version we use of this children's classic tale. In Maths, the children have looked at square and cubed numbers, before moving on to demonstrate their ability to multiply a four-digit number by a single digit number. Our sculptures have been made, mod-roc has been added, they have been painted and the final outcome has been very impressive... it was almost like being on Crosby Beach, looking at the real thing. Global Trade was the order of the day in Geography as we started our new topic, creating informative posters detailing different types of trade. In Re, our learning focus was about carrying out our mission. We looked at the wonderful, selfless work our own Chair of Governors, Miss Nolan, has carried out her own mission for a number of years.

YEAR SIX:

We have had a productive first week back at school. In English, we began exploring a new topic of biographies. We used two local success stories, Jodie Comer and Trent Alexander Arnold, to learn all about the structure of a biography and the features we need to include. In Maths, we have moved onto our topic of fractions, where we have used our prior knowledge of the highest common factor to simplify fractions. For Geography, we have been continuing our study on the USA, this time looking at population density across the continent. We looked at some of the reasons particular states are more heavily populated than others and thought about the comparison to local cities in England. In between our busy timetable, we have been preparing for our Remembrance Day service. We continue to rehearse our lines and use the time to reflect on the importance of marking Remembrance Day in a respectful way.

KEEP IN TOUCH...

Download our school app! Our school app can now be downloaded by invitation via email. Please contact the school office. Our app gives access to lots of information including term dates, lunch menus and you can receive our weekly newsletter every Friday!

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