

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Santa Dash 2022!

We managed to get the first five of our seven year groups around our Santa Dash course before the weather took a real turn for the worse. The sleet may have made it feel more like Christmas, but it also made the course too slippery and dangerous for our Year 5 and Year 6 children to run on.

Instead the children in Year 5 and Year 6 treated their parents and grandparents to an impromptu Christmas song in the hall. The children showed their confidence and talent by singing a song that they had not rehearsed or didn't even know all the words too!! Once again, thank you for your kind words and understanding when the decision was made to postpone the end of the event.

Photos of the Santa Dash will be uploaded to the year group Twitter pages and Tapestry.

We will reveal the total amount raised next week.

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

Thank you again for your support.

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

09.12.22

EYFS & Year 1 Advent Assemblies

EYFS and Y1 performed their Advent assemblies to their families this week. The children performed beautifully with fantastic acting, reading, singing and dancing.

What superstars! Well done Year EYFS and Year 1!

Christmas Dinner

We are excited to announce that we will be offering all children from EYFS to Y6 a Christmas dinner on Wednesday 14th 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. Children in Y3-Y6, or if your child is normally packed lunch but would like a Christmas dinner, please pay £1.60 via your Parent Pay account. (Please note that no alternative will be offered on this date). Merry Christmas Dinner!!

Book Fayre

Thank you to everyone who came along to the book fayre this week. We hope all the children enjoy reading their new books!

*The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you will go!*

Dr Seuss

SPB Choir Sing at Lidl Opening

SPB's choir sang at the Lidl store opening on Thursday morning. The children all sang beautifully and helped to open the store in style!

A huge well done to all the children who performed!

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.

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



Christmas Calendar of Events



Date	Event	Year Group	Time
13 th December	KS1 Christmas Family Bingo Night	Key Stage 1 EYFS, Y1 & Y2	5pm – 7pm
14 th December	Y2 Advent Assembly	Year 2 – Parents/carers of Mrs Wood's class welcome	9.15am
14 th December	Christmas Dinner Day Uniform as normal	Whole School	Lunchtime
15 th December	Y2 Advent Assembly	Year 2 – Parents/carers of Miss Johnson's class welcome	9.15am
15 th December	KS2 Christmas Family Bingo Night	Key Stage 2 Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	5pm – 7pm
19 th December	Christmas Party Day Own clothes (party clothes)	Whole School	All day

Due to the size of our hall and number of pupils in each class, **each child is allowed a maximum of 3 guests to watch a nativity/assembly.** Please respect this as it is very uncomfortable to have to turn people away on the day if more than 3 per family attend.

General Diary Dates

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

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:

It's been an Advent-full week in Reception! We have carried out reading, writing and maths assessments and we are extremely proud of all the children and the progress they have made this term! Our book this week is Stick Man. We have been joining in with the rhyming and repeated refrains when reading the story. We have discussed the characters and we have used freeze frames to show how they feel in different parts of the story. In RE, we listened to scripture based on Mary's baby. We then sequenced pictures of the Christmas story and used them to retell the story in our own words. On Wednesday and Thursday, Elmer and Gruffalo classes performed the Christmas Story to their families. The children sang and danced beautifully and delivered their lines confidently. The children reminded us why Christmas is such a special celebration. Well done to all our boys and girls, you were all shining stars. We enjoyed watching Stick Man with a hot chocolate, marshmallows and whipped cream as a treat for doing so well in our performances! On Friday, we completed our first SPB Santa Dash! We then completed lots of Christmas activities throughout the day such as writing lists to Santa and making Christmas cards! We hope you have a fun and festive weekend everyone!

YEAR ONE:

Year One have had a very festive week. We absolutely loved sharing our Advent assembly with our families and we hope that you enjoyed it too. In PSHE this week, we explored how unique and special we all are. We talked about the importance of celebrating our differences and shared all of the wonderful things that make us special. We learnt about the things that made us the same and different to our friends. In History, we finished our Great Fire of London topic by exploring the changes that were made as a result of the fire. We explored how we now have a fire service and how houses are now made of brick, to prevent a disaster like this happening again. This week, we have been completing our Design Technology project, which is to make a Christmas card with a lever. We can't wait to show you our finished designs! Finally, on Friday we enjoyed lots of festive activities. After dashing in the frosty air, we completed some arts and crafts activities back in class. What an exciting week!

YEAR TWO:

It has been a busy and exciting week in Year 2 with lots of preparations underway! We have continued to think about Advent in R.E. and have talked about the story of the Annunciation when Mary was visited by Angel Gabriel; bringing her great news. In Computing, the children have been continuing to practise their keyboard skills. In Science, we learnt about how humans can live healthily, including by what they eat. We looked at the different food groups and learnt what is meant by a balanced diet. We sorted cards into the correct food groups and then designed a healthy balanced meal of our own. On Thursday morning we had the most magical morning when we had breakfast with Santa! We all enjoyed yummy food, lots of singing and, of course, meeting Santa himself! We all loved meeting him and receiving a lovely gift! We look forward to seeing you all next week at our Nativity play. If you have been asked to provide any costumes please could these be sent in a labelled bag on Monday and we will return them on Thursday. Have a lovely weekend!

YEAR THREE:

What a fun, festive week we've had in Year 3! On Tuesday, both classes were lucky enough to watch the EYFS nativity dress rehearsal. The children thoroughly enjoyed watching this, with some even saying they would watch it again if they could! In English, the children completed their independent biographies on a famous person of their choice, thus leading to the start of a new unit- Poems with a structure. In maths, we also began a new unit- Further Multiplication. So far, the children have looked at multiplying one digit numbers by two digit numbers. During our Rights Respecting Schools lesson, we looked at what human rights are and why they are important. Finally, we ended the week with an exciting morning, with Santa visiting us for breakfast followed by a Santa Dash!

YEAR FOUR:

What a busy week we have had in year 4 this week.

In English we have been planning and writing our own newspaper articles based on the naughty elf changing Mrs Ashton's laptop keyboard to German! We interviewed witnesses and reported our findings in our own newspapers.

In maths we have been focusing on division and putting our skills into practice by dividing two digit and three digit numbers.

In science we have been furthering our understanding of states of matter by observing different materials melting. We noted which materials melted first and documented our findings.

Furthermore, we have been preparing to make our First Holy Communion by meeting with Father Colin and doing our reconciliations.

Well done on a fantastic week year 4!

YEAR FIVE:

This week, the children loved creating artistic interpretations of 'Jesus, the light who shines in the darkness,' in their RE lessons. In Science, the children turned themselves into packaging technologists to investigate the best form of insulation to keep teachers' coffee the warmest, for the longest period of time. The children's understanding of graphs and timetables has improved during our Maths lessons, and the children are beginning to write different explanations linked to every day occurrences, such as why some trains/buses take longer to reach the same destination, from the same starting point. In English, the children continue to shine in Oliver Twist: the playscript, using their voices well when performing as a range of different characters. Thank you for your support of today's Santa Dash, the children looked very festive indeed.

YEAR SIX:

This week our year 6 had a fun time investigating how we see colour by using filters to only allow certain colours to pass through. We also learned about Isaac Newton's 'crucial experiment.' Year 6 have now finished their swimming lessons for the year and have progressed so much since September. We started looking at decimals this week and began to understand the relationships they have with fractions and related our prior knowledge to this. In English we explored lyrics from well-known songs and linked them to poetry. We also unpicked Louis Armstrong's 'Wonderful World' and used this structure to plan our own poem. We will look forward to writing these next week.

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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