

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



June – Month of the Sacred Heart

The heart has always been seen as the 'centre' of a person.
Today let's remember to share our love with each other.

*Help us to be inspired by Jesus,
being the best that we can be.
Give us strength to look after one another,
showing respect and love;
always remembering that Jesus is in our hearts.*

Amen

Start Times at the Beginning of Each Day

Reminder – Children should now arrive in school between 8.30am – 8.45am each day. When they enter the classroom, the children will be registered and will also have work ready to complete. **Registration will close at 8.45am. Children who arrive after 8.45am will be marked as late.**

Reminder – PE Days

PE Days for this half term are as follows:

Monday – EYFS & Year 2

Tuesday – Year 1 & Year 5

Wednesday – Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6

Sunny Weather

Please can we remind parents to take the following sun protection steps to ensure pupils enjoy the sun safely during this half term;

- Provide your child/children with hat/sunglasses to wear outside.
- Apply a minimum SPF 15 sunscreen, daily (preferably one which requires a once-a-day application at home).

Also, for pupils who suffer with hay fever, please make sure over the counter medication is managed daily at home unless symptoms are severe and require prescription medication at which point you should speak to a member of staff with regards to the management of medication in school.

Please can we also ask parents to add your child's name to jumpers, cardigans and PE tops.

Uniform Supplier – Kitted Out

Please click the link or visit our school website (Parents tab/Uniform) for information of extended opening hours and new click and collect service during the school summer holidays.

<https://www.paschalbaylon.org.uk/parents/uniform/>

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Diary Dates

EYFS 2023/24 New Parents Meeting – Tuesday 13th June @ 5pm

Y4 Trip to Speke Hall – Friday 16th June

Own Clothes Day – Donation of toiletries to support PTA Fiesta Day – Friday 16th June

Y4 Swimming Begins Again (for 3 weeks) – Monday 19th June

District Athletics Championships @ Wavertree – Wednesday 21st June 3pm

Own Clothes Day – Donation of £1 to support PTA Fiesta Day – Friday 23rd June

Y2 Trip to Kenyon Farm – Wednesday 28th June

Own Clothes Day – Donation of bottles to support PTA Fiesta Day – Friday 30th June

Fiesta Day – Friday 30th June

General/Important Information

Please find below links for information regarding employment opportunities at Millstead School who have moved to a new site on Naylor'sfield Drive:

<https://www.schoolimprovementliverpool.co.uk/index.php?p=10520>

<https://www.schoolimprovementliverpool.co.uk/index.php?p=10439>

<https://www.schoolimprovementliverpool.co.uk/Additional-Support-Needs-Assistant-Level-1-609>

<https://www.schoolimprovementliverpool.co.uk/index.php?p=10439>

<https://www.schoolimprovementliverpool.co.uk/Additional-Needs-Support-Assistant---Level-2-243>

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Reminder

DOGS (including hand held dogs) ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE SCHOOL SITE. Thank you for your support.



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

Open Evening St. Mary's College

St Mary's College will be having a Year 5 taster day on Friday 30th June and an open evening on Wednesday 5th July.

Parents/carers of children who wish to attend the Year 5 taster day can register either by calling 0151 924 3926 or sending an email to office@stmarys.lpool.sch.uk

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

We have had a great first week back, and we hope you all enjoyed a lovely half term break! It's been a brilliant week as the children have enjoyed being outside in the sun in our outside area, building lots of dens to make some shade for themselves, and having competitions to see who can make the biggest sandcastle! We have also introduced our new topic which is Fairy Tales. The children have enjoyed learning about 'what is a fairy tale' and discussing how we can have different versions of the same traditional tale. We have listened to stories such as Jack and the Beanstalk, Goldilocks and the Three Bears and Little Red Riding Hood. We have discussed the settings and characters in these tales and had a go at writing parts of the story. In Maths we have looked at halving numbers, and the children have been practically sharing cubes and counters between themselves and a partner. In RE, we have been looking at Jesus' commandment to love one another, and thought of ideas of how we can be loving and kind towards others.

Have a great weekend everyone, from the Reception Team.

YEAR ONE:

We have hit the ground running on our first week of the final half term. In English, we received a letter from Betty O'Barley and Harry O'Hay (from the Scarecrow's Wedding) asking us for help in planning their honeymoon trip. They want to go camping but have never been before so we started doing some research using videos, Google and non-fiction books to eventually make an information booklet, next week. In Maths, we have completed our 'Division' unit and have shown really good understanding of sharing amounts equally. We have started exploring fractions and have been showing the different ways of making a half using squares. In RE, we began our new topic 'Being Sorry' where we discussed right and wrong choices that we have made and explored the importance of consequences when we have done wrong. We worked together to sort different scenarios based on whether they were a wrong choice or a right choice. On Wednesday, we enjoyed a day of Design and Technology. We planned, prepared and made bug hotels using a range of recyclable materials. Our design brief was that it had to be: small, waterproof, warm and freestanding. We have left the finished products outside in the garden for a week to test whether they withstand the weather. We can't wait to evaluate them next week. Finally, in PSHE we have been exploring how to look after our planet. We looked at a wide range of common household items and discussed whether they were biodegradable or non-biodegradable. We sorted a range of items accordingly and we shared the importance of trying to use less plastic.

YEAR TWO:

Year 2 have had a busy first week back to our final term. In English we have begun reading a new story, Flotsam. This is an unusual story as it has no words, so we have used our imaginations, and the pictures, to follow the story. We have been writing about all the strange and wonderful things the boy sees on the photographs from under the water. In Maths we have started our new topic of Volume. We have compared volumes of liquids in different containers and used mathematical language to order them. In History we have continued with our topic of the Seaside, old and new. We have looked at a map of the UK and labelled the seaside we could see on the map. In DT we have started our new topic of puppets. We researched what puppets are and watched a clip of Punch and Judy to learn about puppets from the past. We then collected research about different puppets to use for our design brief. In RE we have begun to learn about rules. We discussed where we have rules and why they are important. We also read scripture from the Bible, Colossians 3, and discussed how this scripture can help us to be more like God. In Science we have been learning about different materials. We went on a hunt around the school grounds to see if we could spot items made from different materials. We wrote about our findings in our science books. This week we have also celebrated World Environment Day 2023. We learnt about different ways we can look after our environment and why it is so important.

Thank you for all your donations towards our Fiesta Day.

Reminder that PE is now on Mondays again. See book bags for homework, English.

Have a lovely weekend!

YEAR THREE:

New half-term; new things to learn! On Tuesday, Year 3 placed items under a cardboard box – piercing it with holes – in order to investigate light. The conclusion was that we need light to see; light travels in straight lines and ‘dark’ is the absence of light (scientific definition!). On Wednesday, Mrs. Roberts introduced the classes to the song ‘Bringing Us Together’ by Joanna Mangona and Pete Readman in the first lesson of the music unit and on Thursday, the new design and technology focus was introduced: *to use computer-aided design (CAD) when planning and making a plant pot*. Poetry was the order of the week in the English lessons; whilst in maths, the children learned about perimeter. We finished the week thinking of our environment, as we participated in ‘World Environment Day’.

Overall, a busy, but enjoyable week. Well done to all the children, who settled in quickly and were ready to learn after their half-term break.

YEAR FOUR:

We greeted the pupils back after a sun-filled half term, ready for the final term of the school year. On Monday, we continued our learning from before the holiday: writing our own version of 'The Mousehole Cat'; calculating perimeter and area and learning about the River Mersey.

On Tuesday, we started our new unit. Over the coming weeks, the pupils will work towards creating their own clay medals. In the first session, we looked at motivational quotes and made a mood board in our sketch books of slogans that would look good inscribed in our work. In science, we have started our new topic, 'Animals and Their Habitats.' Pupils had chance to recap what they had learnt in Year 2 in preparation for future lessons, when they will develop their learning further.

Year 4 pupils are currently being given the opportunity in class to practise their multiplication knowledge on Times Table Rock Stars. The Year 4 team ask that pupils continue this at home in preparation for the National Multiplication Check that they will be taking part in next week.

YEAR FIVE:

This week, the children used their skills of debating in RE, to discuss whether Sunday should be a holy day of rest. Debate was also the name of the game in English, with the children writing their own balanced argument linked to the question, 'Is deforestation of the Amazon rainforest acceptable?' They raised good points for both sides of this important, complex debate. In History, the children began their study of Ancient Greece, comparing life back then, to their own lives today. A busy first week back!

YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have had a great week back after our half-term break. In English, we studied the diary of Anne Frank and expressed how inspirational she was to write her daily life under terrible circumstances. This resulted in us writing a very descriptive yet depressing diary entry as a Jewish child hiding from the effects of the war. In history, we looked at the Viking life and what they deemed to be valuable and how we know these details from looking at primary and secondary sources. In computing, we were able to design a series of web pages that link together to make a website. We thoroughly enjoyed this lesson and were amazed at how each link can take you through your other pages using codes. On Friday we took part in a Year 6 talent show which brought us lots of laughter and a great way to end the week.

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