

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



National Anti-Bullying Week 2023

The week started off on Monday when staff and pupils came to school in odd socks. Many children brought in a £1 donation, which has already been sent to the Anti-Bullying Alliance in order that they can continue to offer advice and help to schools, parents and children - over £251 was raised so thank you very much! There were many more activities throughout the week to ensure that the children understand what bullying is and the hurt it can cause. One of the big messages of the week was to *make a noise about bullying* and *tell somebody*.

*"Three things in Human Life are important;
the first is to be kind.
The second is to be kind.
The third is to be kind."*

Mother Teresa

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Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Poppy Appeal. We raised £295.
Every poppy shows you care about the lives of the Armed Forces community.

Thank you

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Thank you to all who ordered a Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox to fill and return to school.

The last day we are able to accept shoeboxes is *Wednesday 22nd November*.

World Diabetes Day

Every November 14th is an opportunity for people around the world to raise awareness about the impact of diabetes on the health of people and to highlight the opportunities to strengthen the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diabetes.

On World Diabetes Day this year, a year 5 pupil in our school gave a PowerPoint presentation to year 5 staff and pupils to help raise awareness of type 1 diabetes. Alongside the presentation there was a true and false quiz as well as time for a question and answer session.

All pupils and staff agreed that they now know much more about diabetes thanks to the efforts of our much admired year 5 pupil!

To find out more information please visit:

<https://www.diabetes.org.uk>

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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 Monday 15th January 2024 – **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 Andrew

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Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 06.11.23 for 7 weeks	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Monday	Choir	KS2	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Computing Club: 06.11.23 20.11.23 04.12.23 18.12.23		3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 07.11.23 for 7 weeks	Y5 & Y6	7.45am – 8.30am
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From 19.09.23 for 12 weeks	Y3, Y4 & Y5	3pm – 4pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 08.11.23 for 7 weeks	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 09.11.23 for 7 weeks	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am
Thursday	LLS Multi-sports From 21.09.23 for 12 weeks	Y1 & Y2	3pm – 4pm
Thursday	ReAction Group	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 10.11.23 for 6 weeks	EYFS	3.05pm–4.05pm

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Diary Dates

EYFS Elmer Stay & Play – Monday 20th November 3.15pm – 4pm

UIO Boys Football @ Tiber Street, L8 OTP – Tuesday 21st November 4pm

EYFS Gruffalo Stay & Play – Wednesday 22nd November 3.15pm – 4pm

Last day for Operation Christmas Child shoebox drop-off – Wednesday 22nd November 3pm

Mass @ SPB – Thursday 23rd November @ 9.15am

Open Afternoon (Reception 2024/25) – Thursday 23rd November 1.45pm

UII Boys Football @ Heron Eccles, L18 7JT – Thursday 23rd November 4pm

PTA Own Clothes Day (Donations of toys) – Friday 24th November

EYFS Elmer Stay & Play – Monday 27th November 3.15pm – 4pm

UII Girls Football @ Jeffrey Humble, L9 6AG – Tuesday 28th November 4pm

EYFS Gruffalo Stay & Play – Wednesday 29th November 3.15pm – 4pm

UII Boys Football @ Heron Eccles, L18 7JT – Thursday 30th November 4pm

PTA Own Clothes Day (Donations of chocolate/bottles) – Friday 1st December

Final Y6 Swimming Session – Monday 4th December

Mass @ SPB – Monday 11th December @ 9.15am

School Health Nasal Flu Vaccinations – Tuesday 12th December

School Closes for Christmas Break – Thursday 21st December @ 1.30pm

Children return to school – Monday 8th January 2024

EYFS Stay & Play Sessions – Please see Tapestry for more information. Thank you.



Christmas Calendar of Events



Date	Event	Year Group	Time
Friday 24 th November	PTA Own Clothes Day Donations of toys for Christmas Bingo	Whole School	All day
Friday 1 st December	PTA Own Clothes Day Donations of chocolate/bottles for Christmas Bingo	Whole School	All day
Monday 4 th December	Advent Assembly	Year 1 – Mrs Mutch’s class	2pm
Tuesday 5 th December	Breakfast with Santa	Reception	8am
Tuesday 5 th December	Advent Assembly	Year 1 – Miss Reilly’s class	9.05am
Wednesday 6 th December	Breakfast with Santa	Year 1	8am
Thursday 7 th December	Breakfast with Santa	Year 2	8am
Friday 8 th December	Breakfast with Santa	Year 3	8am
Friday 8 th December	Santa Dash	Whole School	AM (times tbc)
Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas Performance	Reception – Elmer	9.05am
Wednesday 14 th December	KSI Christmas Bingo	Reception, Y1 & Y2	5pm – 7pm
Thursday 14 th December	Christmas Performance	Reception – Gruffalo	9.05am
Thursday 14 th December	Christmas Dinner Day	Whole School	Lunchtime
Thursday 14 th December	Choir Christmas Performance	Choir group	4pm
Monday 18 th December	Nativity	Year 2 – Mrs Wood’s class	2pm
Tuesday 19 th December	Nativity	Year 2 – Miss Wilson’s class	9.05am
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Party Day	Whole School	All day
Wednesday 20 th December	KS2 Christmas Bingo	Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6	5pm – 7pm
Thursday 21 st December	School closes for Christmas break	Whole School	1.30pm

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.

For the **choir performance a maximum of 2 guests** per child is allowed.

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General/Important Information

ASD Training Team

Autistic Spectrum Disorder Course

Date: Wednesday 6th Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th December

Time: 9.30am – 12pm

Venue: Virtual / zoom

Dear Parent/Carer,

We would like to offer you the opportunity to attend a course on Autistic Spectrum Disorder. Your child must have an ASD diagnosis. The course will allow you to build your knowledge on autism and meet / share information with other parents.

All three sessions need to be attended to complete the course.

If you wish to attend, please contact the team on the email below and we will forward a zoom invite via your email address. You can use a computer, tablet, or phone to access zoom.

Email: asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk

If the above dates for the workshop are not suitable, please view the Liverpool Local offer Page / Liverpool ASD training team for future training and workshops.

[Liverpool ASD Training Team | Liverpool Family Information & SEND Directory](#)

We look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely

ASD Training Team

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Social Communication and Social Behaviour Workshop

Date: Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st November 2023

Time: 9.30AM – 12.PM

Venue: via zoom

Dear Parent/Carer,

If you have early concerns about social communication and interaction or your child is awaiting assessment from the ASD pathway, we would like to offer you the opportunity to attend the above workshop on Social Communication and Social Behaviour. **Both session dates need to be attended.**

At this time the above workshop will be facilitated via a Zoom meeting.

If you wish to attend please contact the team on the email below and we will forward a zoom invite via your email address. You can use a computer, tablet or phone to access zoom.

Email: asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk

If your child has received an ASD diagnosis can you, please let us know as this is a pre diagnosis workshop.

If the above dates for the workshop are not suitable, please view the Liverpool Local offer Page / Liverpool ASD training team for future training and workshops.

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We look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely

ASD Training Team

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Christ the King Church Christmas Fair



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

Reminder – Dogs on School Premises

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

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

Reception have had a great week in school! We have been working hard learning all about Anti-Bullying. This year's theme is 'Make Some Noise'... we need to make sure that we talk to someone if we feel like we are getting bullied or if we think someone else is. We have talked about what bullying is... intentionally hurting, upsetting or isolating someone repeatedly. We have learnt about face to face bullying and online bullying. As it is Anti-Bullying week we have not started a new book instead we have taken this opportunity to focus on fine motor skills and dexterity. In Maths this week the focus is 2D shapes. We have been exploring how many sides and corners the shapes have and looking for these shapes around the classroom. We have also been making different 2D shapes in the maths area with lolly sticks. In the funky fingers area, we have been using tweezers and pom-poms to create patterns on odd socks. In the play dough area, we have also been creating our own odd socks using cutters and different designed rolling pins to decorate them. In the literacy area, we have been practicing our letter formation, going back over our previously taught sounds. In the creative area, we have been using collage to make our own odd socks. Outside, we have been having lots of fun in the sandpit and making our own dens thinking about light and dark. In RE this week we have started our new topic of Advent. We have been thinking about our Mums, and important women in our life, why they're so special and the roles they have. We learnt about Jesus' Mother Mary, the Annunciation and have started to learn the Hail Mary Prayer. All photos on Tapestry as always. Have a wonderful weekend!

YEAR ONE:

What an enjoyable and busy week we have had, in Year One. In English, we have continued with our focus story Zog. We had to complete speech bubbles for Princess Pearl and we have drawn our own story maps ready to help us with our writing next week. In Maths, we have completed our subtraction unit, revised everything that we have learnt since September and started our new topic focusing on positions. We have been exploring ordinal numbers and have learnt how to write them up to fifth. On Thursday, we finally got to have our Autumn walk around Court Hey Park. We loved putting on our wellies and crunching through the leaves. We had to collect as many different types of leaves as we could and then, when we got back to school, we matched them to the tree that they have fallen from. We couldn't believe the variety of trees there are in the park. It was a lovely afternoon. Alongside the rest of the school, we have been participating in Anti-Bullying week. We enjoyed designing our own odd socks on Monday and we have been really focusing on the difference between bullying behaviour and banter. We explored different scenarios and talked about acceptable and unacceptable actions that had been used. We also took some time to think about how we can make a noise about bullying and we created some class pledges that we are going to follow. Finally, we have made a good start with our Advent Assembly and we're looking forward to practicing on the stage next week. Remember to keep practising your lines and songs at home too. Have a lovely weekend!

YEAR TWO:

In Year 2 this week we have been thinking each day about our anti-bullying message. We enjoyed coming to school in odd socks and joining in with the BBC Teach live lesson about how our words can make others feel. We have focused on speaking out if we know that someone is being bullied. We have also talked about the difference between someone being mean and being bullied. In Maths, we have continued our work on multiplication. We can now solve word problems and will be consolidating this for homework. In English we have thought about the different features of traditional tales, described the characters in the story of The Three Little Superpigs and have created our own story map to tell the story through pictures. In R.E. we have been looking again at other faiths and this time focused on Sikhism. We heard all about where and how Sikh people worship and what family life is like. In Science, we asked the question 'Are the oldest people the tallest?' We made predictions, could give reasons for these and then decided on a way to investigate the question. Please remember to check Google Classroom this week as we have set some reminders. We are already looking forward to lots of exciting learning next week!

YEAR THREE:

Year 3 have been hearing important messages about bullying this week, as the classes participated in daily activities to highlight issues and explore strategies around bullying behaviour. Odd Socks Day was a super way to start the week, with a lot of singing and dancing along with Andy and his band – The *Odd Socks*. On Tuesday, the children participated in the Anti-Bullying Alliance lesson, where the slogan for this year was '**Make a Noise**'. We all agreed that if we were on the receiving end of bullying or unkind behaviour, then 'telling' someone is vital. Wednesday's focus was on the strategies we have in our school if children feel they are on the receiving end of bullying behaviour or if somebody is being unkind, whilst on Thursday, the focus moved to cyber bullying. The children finished National Anti-Bullying Week on Friday by making a pledge to reach out, including things they are going to do to stop bullying if it happens. We hope the children enjoyed the week and will hold on to one of the most important messages – ***make a noise and tell somebody!***

As well as the daily anti-bullying activities, in history the children began to look at what life was like for poor Victorian children. During this week's computing lesson, both classes learned how text and layouts can be edited and in R.E., we completed the unit- *Promises*. All in all, another busy but productive, week in Year 3!

YEAR FOUR:

Throughout this week, Year 4 has actively participated in 'Anti-Bullying Week'. On Monday, the entire class arrived wearing their quirkiest and most vibrant socks to showcase their individuality. This event, known as 'Odd Socks Day', is an annual celebration of diversity. We listened to the newly released Odd Socks Day song and took part in designing our own unique socks.

Throughout the week, we further explored the theme of Anti-Bullying, dedicating time to discuss how technology can be misused for bullying and how seemingly harmless banter can escalate into bullying.

In English, we continued writing our own adaptation of 'Puss in Boots'. The year group has produced some outstanding works of fiction, filled with captivating descriptions, engaging dialogue, and skilful use of fronted adverbials! On Friday, we ventured into creating our very own fairy tales, based on well-known classics.

To commence the week, we pondered over the various sources that a historian might utilise to gain insights into the past. We then delved into Samuel Pepys's diary, drawing upon it as a valuable resource to learn about The Great Plague.

YEAR FIVE:

This week, the children in Year 5 have completed a number of assessments, giving their best efforts in each one – well done for all of your hard work! We have also learned some key messages from our Anti-Bullying Week activities and enjoyed singing this year's songs. Tuesday was World Diabetes Day and Mrs Maclean and a pupil from Year 5 gave a presentation to the two classes to raise awareness. The children learned so much about Type 1 Diabetes and asked lots of really interesting questions. We were really impressed with the presentation and the courage it takes to share personal experiences to educate others. In Geography, we revisited the four countries of the UK, their national flags and emblems and the surrounding seas. In RE, following our discussions about Miss Nolan's mission, we thought about what our own missions are and why we want to do the things we plan on doing. We also wrote letters to our care givers showing our thanks and appreciation for all that they do. In Science we began our Earth and Space topic, exploring evidence for flat Earth and spherical Earth theories and how ideas have changed over time. In RSHE/PSHE we continued our topic on Body Image and how this has altered through the ages and has been influenced by society. We debated if it matters if images have been significantly altered and the impact this has on the audience. Another busy week!

YEAR SIX:

We are really enjoying our music lessons whereby we are beginning to play our recorders as part of an ensemble. We look forward to perfecting this over the next few weeks. In Geography, we studied the USA and its 50 states and revisited prior knowledge of continents and oceans. We began to use the 8 point compass to describe where the states are in relation to each other. In maths this week, we studied common factors and common multiples and began using this knowledge to solve tricky word problems. Continuing from our science unit 'light', we made a periscope using a cereal box and mirrors proving that reflection is observed allowing us to see around or over obstacles. We now know how the soldiers used these to see over trenches during wartimes. Finally, in English, we compared the film and the book of 'The Wizard of Oz' and were amazed at how different some of the aspects were.

KEEP IN TOUCH...

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