

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



First Holy Communion

This weekend Y4 children will take their First Holy Communion, an important part of their faith journey. We hold them in our thoughts and prayers.

*May Jesus bless you on your First Communion day.
May you feel His loving presence in a very special way.
And as you strive to follow in His footsteps
May He bless your life with many graces and lasting happiness.*

Amen

17.05.24

St Paschal Baylon Feast Day

Today we celebrated the Feast of St Paschal Baylon and all the children enjoyed an ice lolly.

He is our Patron Saint; our inspiration. He was a man who thought about others, had great perseverance and honoured the Eucharist.

"Be ready to serve God and love him above all things"

St. Paschal Baylon

Sunny Weather

As we hopefully head towards warmer, sunnier weather during the summer term, please can we remind parents to take the following sun protection steps to ensure pupils enjoy the sun safely during the next 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 make sure your child's name is on cardigans, jumpers, PE tracksuit tops and caps.

Thank you for your support.

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[A visit from PERFORM!](#)



We were very pleased to receive a visit from Perform on Friday 10th May. Children in Reception, Year One, Year Three and Year Four had a wonderful time exploring the themes of Fairytales & Fables and Robinson Crusoe in Space using drama, dance and singing to help develop their confidence, concentration and social skills.

To complement the workshop, there is a free educational app for iPhones and iPads based around the theme of Fairytales & Fables. It contains fun games, creative tasks and videos of the themed songs and dances.

Copy the link below to download the app:

<https://www.perform.org.uk/classes-courses/weekly-drama-classes-4-7s/themes/fairytaleforest>

Perform run regular weekly classes in the local area and they are offering a special introductory discount to all parents of St Paschal Baylon Catholic Primary if they come along for a free trial session before Saturday 1st June.

To claim your discount, just call Perform on 020 7255 9120 quoting SPAYOIO624 or book a Free Trial Session online at [perform.org.uk/try](https://www.perform.org.uk/try).

The nearest Perform class to the school is:

Perform Allerton

(1.9 miles)

Thursdays at 5.05pm

All Hallows Church

1 Greenhill Road,

L18 6JJ

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Y3 Trip Information

Here is a copy of the information sent out earlier in the school year, for our forthcoming school visit to the Deva Roman Discovery Centre.

Points to note:

Date: Tuesday 21st May 2024

Departure Approximately 9.00am.

Return Before the 3.00pm usual finish time.

Clothing School uniform must be worn. The children will need a waterproof coat (even if it is warm, as it may rain).

Lunch All children will need a **packed lunch** with enough water to last them the day (no fizzy drinks or sweets, please). As they will be carrying it with them at all times, it is recommended that children do not bring excessive food, and that it is in a plastic bag which can be thrown away when empty.

Sun protection We will be out in the open for part of the day, therefore, sun-cream should be applied before coming to school. A cap is also recommended if the forecast is for a sunny day.

Hay Fever We have noticed a few of our children displaying hay fever symptoms. If your child is prone to hay fever, medication needs to be administered before coming to school.

Travel sickness If your child is prone to travel sickness, medication needs to be administered **before** coming to school.

We are all looking forward to an interesting and enjoyable day out!

Regards

Y3 Team

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Christ the King Church May Procession - Sunday 19th May

The month of May is dedicated to Our Blessed Lady, Mary. To mark this, all our First Holy Communion children, their families and all parishioners are invited to join our **May Procession** which will be held on Sunday 19th May at 2 pm and will last approx. 40 minutes.

To celebrate our First Holy Communions, Fr Colin has ordered a cake for the children and this will be cut and distributed after the Procession.

Diary Dates

Y4 First Holy Communions – Saturday 18th May @ Christ the King Church

U10 Boys Football @ Tiber Street – Monday 20th May @ 4pm

Y3 Trip to Roman Dewa Experience – Tuesday 21st May

U11 Girls Football @ Jeffrey Humble – Tuesday 21st May @ 4pm

PTA Own Clothes Day – Donations of new toys – Thursday 23rd May

INSET Day – School closed to children – Friday 24th May

Children return to school – Monday 3rd June @ 8.30am – 8.45am

New Parents meeting – Reception 2024/25 – Wednesday 5th June @ 5pm

Mass @ SPB – Monday 10th June @ 9.15am

PTA Own Clothes Day – Donations of new toys – Friday 21st June

Activities – Spring Term

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 15.04.24 for 5 weeks	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Monday	Choir	KS2	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 16.04.24 for 6 weeks	Y5 & Y6	7.45am – 8.30am
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From w/b 16.04.24 to 9.07.24	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 17.04.24 for 6 weeks	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Wednesday	Wellbeing Club		3pm – 4pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 18.04.24 for 6 weeks	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am
Thursday	LLS Multi-sports From w/b 18.04.24 to 11.07.24	Y1 & Y2	3pm – 4pm
Thursday	ReAction Group	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm – 4pm
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 19.04.24 for 5 weeks	EYFS	3.05pm-4.05pm

General/Important InformationSchool 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.

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Liverpool City Council – May Half Term Meet to Eat Information

Dear Parent or Guardian

The May Half Term Eat to Meet programme starts on Monday 27th May and there are lots of great activities happening over the school holidays. Children and young people, from reception to age 16, who are eligible for benefits related free school meals, will be able to access hundreds of activities throughout the half term holidays including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, at **no cost**. There's a great range of activities across the city including **baseball, athletics, tri golf, bubble football, nerf wars, mindfulness, swimming, football, music, dance, cycling, gymnastics, theatre tech, cooking, discos, podcasting, handball, orienteering, arts and crafts, drama, basketball, trips out and nature walks!** A meal will be provided for every child attending.

You can find out where your nearest scheme by clicking on this link or go <https://merseyplay.com/may-half-term-eat-to-meet/> or go to <https://merseyplay.com/> and click on "May Half Term Eat to Meet 2024".

When you have chosen the activity/scheme you will need to contact that organisation to book a place. Each organisation will have either a telephone number, email address or online booking system. If your child has any additional needs or dietary requirements then please discuss this with the organisation when you book. There is no central booking system so please read the details of the programmes on the website and contact the providers directly.

- If you want to know how to register or how to check if your child is eligible for free school meals then please click on the link <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>
- You will need your national insurance number or an asylum seekers support number.
- If you are struggling with the cost of living then please click: <https://www.liverpool.gov.uk/cost-of-living/>
- If you're more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4, you may be entitled to get help to buy healthy food and milk. Click on the link to find out how to register <https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/>

Liverpool City Council is working with Mersey Play Action Council, the local schools, voluntary and community organisations, and childcare providers to deliver the May Half Term Eat to Meet programme. This programme is funded by Liverpool City Council.

The Family Information and SEND Directory also provides a wealth of useful information and support for families – [FISD](#).

Regards

Sally Dobbing

HAF Project Manager

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Childwall EMB Community Garden Plots L25

Garden plots available to rent on the Hartsbourne Estate L25.

The Community Walled Garden Group is a non-for-profit group.

Costs to plot users are to cover Insurance and water charges only, plus a small amount of subs to use for the benefit of all using the site (purchasing tools etc.)

Charges are £52.50 per year, for a four bed plot or £28 for a two bed plot.

Costs can be spread over 12 months at £4.38 or £2.34 a month if easier.

If you are interested in renting a plot please contact Carol at the EMB Office on 0151 488 1530 for a chat and we can arrange for you to come and visit our site.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

Reception have had a brilliant week, this week we conducted an artist study on Vincent Van Gogh. We have learnt a little about his life and where he was born. We also looked at some of his famous paintings. This included 'Starry Night', 'Apples' and 'Sunflowers'. We have been looking at the brush strokes he used and attempted to copy them in our own paintings, in the creative area, during busy time. We have continued the sunflower theme by making sunflowers on the funky fingers table. Our scissor skills are really improving! We have been looking at doubling in maths and consolidating this in the playdough area and maths area. In the playdough we have had to put the correct number of spots on the ladybirds, ensuring they have the same spots on both sides. In the maths area we have been making the butterflies wings match and writing the answer-doubles. In writing area this week, we have been finishing our work on instructions. Last week we had to read the instructions and draw what it said, this week we have written our own instructions of how to plant the seed based on the pictures we could see. We are becoming very confident composing and writing a sentence, using the correct punctuation too! In the outdoor area we have had lots of fun making dens and exploring our water play now the days are warmer. In RE this week we have concluded our topic of Pentecost, we listened to a prayer and discussed how Pentecost is celebrated in church during this time. We then drew pictures of how it is celebrated in our books. We also celebrated The Feast day of St Paschal Babylon on Friday, we celebrated with a yummy ice lolly! All pics on Tapestry, and now twitter too, as always. Have a lovely weekend.

YEAR ONE:

This week, in English, we have begun planning and writing our own diary entry as Erin (the main character in our focus story). We have been exploring the features of diaries and have been learning how to use emotive language. We will continue this next week.

In Maths, we have completed our multiplication unit and have started learning about the concept of division. We have been using counters to help us understand how to share into equal groups!

Our RE lesson this week was all about the Ascension. We explored how Jesus promised his friends that he would send the Holy Spirit to guide them before he returned to be with his Father in Heaven. We had to think about the thoughts and feelings of the disciples at this time.

We completed our Geography unit this week by exploring the two poles (North Pole and South Pole). We talked about physical and human features and learnt about what animals we would find in each pole.

On Thursday, we took some time to evaluate our Bug Hotels. They have been in our garden for a week and have had to deal with some poor weather conditions. Some of our hotels had withstood the test and others had not been too successful. This gave us an opportunity to think about what we could do differently next time!

YEAR TWO:

In Year 2 this week the children have been revisiting their learning over the year so far. We have been so impressed with how much progress they have made! We will be continuing to review our topics before our assessment weeks after half term. The children have enjoyed completing their puppets in Design Technology. They have evaluated their finished pieces and discussed which parts they found tricky and how they could improve next time. In R.E. the children have learnt about the Fruits of the Spirit. They created certificates to be used when we spot people demonstrating these values. We had a lovely treat on Friday afternoon with a tennis taster session. We ended the week with a lolly ice to celebrate the feast of St Paschal Baylon! Well done for a week of hard work, Year 2!

YEAR THREE:

This week in Year 3, we reached the end of our English unit focusing on the book 'Egyptology' by Dugald Steer. The children were tasked with writing a 'secret diary' about an artefact they discovered whilst on an expedition in Egypt. Both classes have now commenced a new unit, with the focus text still remaining a mystery!!! In maths, we completed the unit 'Lines and Shapes'. Within this unit, the children learned that perpendicular lines meet at a right angle, and parallel lines always remain the same distance apart. In science, we looked at how seeds are dispersed and in history, the impact of the Romans on Britain was the focus. Finally, on Friday Year 3 enjoyed the traditional 'Feast of St Paschal Baylon' lolly ices (or ice-lollies, depending on where you come from!).

YEAR FOUR:

This week, in Design and Technology, there has been lots of excitement as the children have decided on which extra ingredient they are going to add to their healthy and nutritious snack. We explored different recipes and thought about what ingredients and equipment they will need.

In English, the children have been planning their own diary entries, written as either the mother or one of the children from our Vehicle Text: The Journey by Francesca Sanna. We spent lots of time thinking about effective vocabulary and grammar, which could be included in each paragraph.

In Maths, we have started a new chapter: Area and Perimeter of Figures. After briefly recapping perimeter, the children then moved on to working out the area of various figures in square units. It was wonderful to see how many children are secure with this mathematical concept, especially when completing their independent work.

Finally, on Thursday, Fr. Colin and Mrs Kelly guided the children through their final preparation session for their First Holy Communion. We hope all of our children have a wonderful day, and we are really looking forward to witnessing such a memorable part of their faith journey.

YEAR FIVE:

This week Year 5 enjoyed the beginning of the athletics season by being the first to try out our new school long jump pit and running in the park. In Art, we watched tutorials of how to draw different tropical leaves and experimented with pencil drawings, ready for next week's final rainforest paintings. In RE we read about The Ten Commandments and had a debate as to whether Sunday should be kept a holy day and day of rest. We also learnt about Pope Francis and Mother Teresa and used laptops to create information sheets about how each live out the two greatest Commandments. In Geography, we learned all about Manaus, Brazil and what it is like to live in the Amazon Rainforest. In English we have been watching survival videos, unpicking an example text and gathering information for our own survival guides. In Maths, we have been solving word problems involving measurements and time. Another busy week!

YEAR SIX:

This week, we are so pleased to be able to say that we have finally completed our SATs! Everybody is so very proud of how we conducted ourselves during this challenging week; we were resilient, motivated and tried our very best- what more could our teachers ask of us? Some children even described feeling 'excited' about completing their assessments which was so wonderful to hear! A big well done to all of you and thank you for all of your hard work. Enjoy a well-deserved fun-filled weekend! We are very proud of all of you!

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 our weekly newsletter every Friday!

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