

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Zoë's Place Baby Hospice

Zoë's Place Baby Hospice supports babies and young children who have complex illnesses or disabilities from birth to age five.

They work to ensure that very unwell children can enjoy the best possible quality of life and they support their families throughout their journey.

Our school council (run by the children) have organised a non-uniform day on Thursday 24th October to raise much needed funds for Zoë's Place Baby Hospice. We ask families/children to donate £1 on the day to be able to wear your own clothes.

Some parents have also kindly offered prizes for a raffle to take place. If you would like to offer anything as a prize, please pass into the school office by Monday 21st October.

All money raised will go directly to Zoë's Place.

Thank you in advance for your support!

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EYFS 25/26 Applications

Parents, please share this with friends and neighbours. For your information, the Reception Class admissions application window is now open. Parents can now apply online.

Reception Class – Local Authority online applications are now open. Closing date for on-line applications is Wednesday 15th January 2025 – **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

Secondary School Admissions

Please be aware that the Year 6 to Year 7 annual admissions transfer application window remains open until 31st October 2024. Please visit www.liverpool.gov.uk/admissions where all the necessary information is posted and links to apply are located.

Reminder – Dogs on School Premises

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

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Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 09.09.24 until 16.12.24	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Monday	Choir Club	KS2	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From 17.09.24 until 22.10.24	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 10.09.24 until 17.12.24	Y5/Y6	7.45am – 8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 11.09.24 until 18.12.24	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 12.09.24 until 19.12.24	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am

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

Positive Parenting Programme

Free online programme to help support your child through separation or divorce. Please click the link below for more information.

[Free online course information](#) or head to our school website and select News tab.

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In Our Place NHS

Understanding your child with additional needs – FREE online course for all parents, carers and grandparents. Please click the link below for more information.

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Diary Dates

LDCSA Cross Country @ Wavertree – Tuesday 22nd October

Own Clothes Day – £1 Donation for Zoe's place – Thursday 24th October

INSET Day (School is closed to children) – Friday 25th October 2024

Half Term – Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024

Children Return to School – Monday 4th November 2024

Mass @ SPB – Monday 4th November @ 9.15am

Y6 Girls Football Cup Match – Friday 8th November @ 12.15pm – 3.30pm

Y6 Remembrance Assembly – Monday 11th November @ 2.20pm (parents/carers of Y6 children welcome)

Y2 Trip to Maritime Museum – Tuesday 12th November

Parents' Evening for Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 – Thursday 14th November 1pm – 6pm

CTK First Holy Communion parent & child sessions – Tuesday 19th October @ 4.15pm & 6pm

Parents' Evening for Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 – Thursday 21st November 1pm – 6pm

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week, we have continued to learn new vocabulary about autumn and from our story 'Owl Babies'. Words included deciduous, hunted, silent and fuss. Can your child remember their meanings? We have worked on our fine motor skills by passing a pumpkin to our friends using pegs and we made some autumn play dough. Using autumn resources, we made different prints in the dough. In Maths, we have been using five frames to count and subitise amounts to five using conkers. Homework this week is all about five frames. We have also been using our 'Fred fingers' to hear and write the sounds in words to match the pictures. In our creative area, we used some broccoli florets and paint to make some lovely autumn trees. In RE, we learned that we are welcomed into God's family through baptism. We watched a video of a baptism, shared baptism photos and re-enacted a baptism. Thank you for sending your child's baptism photos. We would also like to thank everyone for their support this week at our meet the teacher appointments. It was lovely to meet you all and discuss how your child has settled into school. Just one more week and then the children can enjoy a well-earned rest. Have a great weekend everyone!

YEAR ONE:

It has been a very busy week in Year 1. We have been writing letters in English, writing as lost toys stuck in the attic asking for help. We have been so impressed with the adjectives and conjunctions that were used. In Maths we have been making addition number stories and solving addition number problems using number sentences and whole-part diagrams. In Music, we practised moving our body to the rhythm of a song and listened to a classical piece of music, identifying the different instruments used. And in RE, we learnt about the Our Father, how it is an important prayer, given to us by Matthew in the Bible. We also discussed what each line means and practised singing and saying the prayer together.

YEAR TWO:

What a fantastic week! This week, football trials had taken the class by storm. The boys performed fantastically in their first match, showing great sportsmanship and determination. Within English, we have fully immersed ourselves into the world of letter writing. We are now planning our own fantastic letter to be written as a guide for a struggling explorer who is travelling across multiple settings. Within Maths, our confidence has grown incredibly. The children are now able to add and subtract using multiple methods including column! We have also been tackling some tricky word problems. Finally, Year Two has been filled with budding artists this week as we explore Vincent Van Gogh's work and create our own work using pastels and collage techniques. Well done Year Two!

YEAR THREE:

Our week in Year 3 began with us receiving a letter in our English lesson. It was the Town Mayor asking us to design a new trap to capture the Iron Man. We have learnt some new vocabulary and practised using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to include in the explanation for our trap design. In Maths we have been focusing on column subtraction with renaming. We are getting more confident each day and will be consolidating this for homework. In Art, we got to paint our fruit sculptures and we will be evaluating these next week. In P.E. this half term we have been playing ball games; practising the skills of throwing, catching and hitting a target. We enjoyed playing a competitive game on Wednesday in small teams. Our PSHE focus has been staying safe online and this week we discussed if too much online gaming could be bad for us. We heard a story about Billy who was becoming tired and short tempered from being online too much. We created a poster to highlight the importance of limiting our time online. Next week we will be taking part in a walk for our Geography lesson. Please ensure permission slips are returned to school. Thank you.

YEAR FOUR:

Year 4 has been buzzing with excitement as we've wrapped up our newspaper reports on the mysterious large sea animal spotted near our local area. The children showed off their skills, incorporating expanded noun phrases, clever wordplay, and even quotes from "eyewitnesses" to bring their reports to life.

In Maths, we've been tackling column subtraction with regrouping. To stretch our problem-solving skills further, we also explored mental methods for subtraction, learning how adjusting numbers can make calculations quicker and easier.

Our Geography lessons took a creative turn as we designed our own settlements. The children considered land use, transport links, and other important features needed for a well-planned community.

This week, we have been gearing up to make our very own torches! The children have been busy drawing design plans, thinking about the materials they'll need, and preparing to include an electrical circuit to ensure their torches will light up and appeal to other children.

YEAR FIVE:

In RE this week, Year 5 read a piece of scripture based on Hosea 11:1-4 and made links with the Footprints in the Sand poem. We thought about God as a loving parent, who gathers us up and carries us during the most trying times of our lives. We wrote prayers of thanks on footprints and displayed them in the Year 5 area and the classroom. In English we have written non-fiction mission logs based on a moon landing, including reports on the landing site, geological features, equipment and its performance, the mission length and leaving the site. In Maths we have been finding factors of numbers and common factors of pairs of numbers. We explored prime numbers and what differentiates these from composite ones. In our final Science lesson of the topic, we learnt about the movement of the moon, including lots of scientific vocabulary such as waxing and waning, gibbous, crescent, etc. Our favourite lesson was Art, where we used tinfoil to turn our wire people into 3D models. We then wrapped them in Modroc ready for painting next week - what a messy job it was!

YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have had a busy week this week with lots of new learning and applying previously taught strategies across the curriculum. We thoroughly enjoyed taking the role of an event planner by using spreadsheets in our computing lessons using formulas to ensure we planned a party that remained within budget. In maths, we went from dividing large numbers with remainders to simplifying fractions to its simplest form. We are making good progress across these range of units. In English, we completed our diary entries and wrote them up into one extract focussing on our handwriting and presentation. Our assessed piece in History was titled 'How did Hitler convince a nation to follow him?' and we used all of our previously learnt knowledge to compile an essay of the techniques he used. In R.E. we looked at the parable of the Prodigal son and understood how Jesus' teaching of unconditional love is evident in this parable. We also completed our first draft in Art using chalk and black card to create some chiaroscuro artwork which will help us understand our final pieces next week. And finally, in Science, we used a range of apparatus to imitate birds' beaks to better understand Darwin's theory of evolution and in particular the survival of the fittest.

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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