

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



St George's Day - 23^d April 2025

St George is the patron saint of England. His emblem, a red cross on a white background, is the flag of England and part of the Union Jack flag.

St. George was a brave Roman soldier who protested against the Roman's torture of Christians and died for his beliefs. One of the best known stories about St. George is his fight with a dragon.

Like St George we should support the vulnerable and the persecuted.

Be strong and courageous.

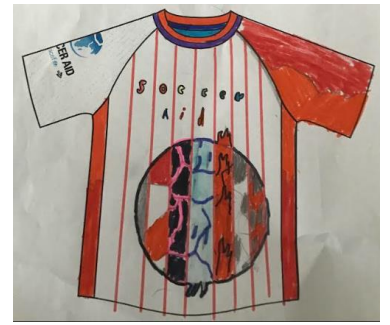
Do not be afraid.

Do not be discouraged.

For the Lord your God will be with you, wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9

UNICEF Soccer Aid Mascot T-Shirt Competition



Thank you for all your entries for the UNICEF Soccer Aid Mascot T-Shirt Competition. We appreciate your participation and enthusiasm! Congratulations and good luck to our five finalists. Entries have now been submitted and UNICEF Soccer Aid will be in touch if any are selected.

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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VE Day Celebrations

SPB will be taking part in VE Day celebrations on Thursday 8th May. A letter will be sent home with children on Monday with more information.

Diary Dates

Y4 Swimming begins – Monday 28th April

U11 Boys' Football vs All Saints @ Jeffrey Humble – Tuesday 29th April 3pm-5pm

Ski meeting for parents – Wednesday 30th April @ 3.15pm

Y6 Girls' Football @ Simpsons Ground – Friday 2nd May 1pm – 3pm

Bank Holiday – School closed – Monday 5th May

VE Day Celebrations @ SPB – Thursday 8th May

U11 Girls' Football vs St Gregory's @ Jeffrey Humble – Thursday 8th May

SATs week – Monday 12th May – Friday 16th May

U11 Girls' Football vs Our Lady Bishop Eaton @ Tiber Street – Tuesday 13th May 3pm-5pm

U11 Boys' Football vs Banks Road @ Heron Eccles – Tuesday 13th May 3pm – 5pm

U11 Boys' Football vs Much Woolton @ Heron Eccles – Thursday 15th May 3pm – 5pm

Y4 First Holy Communions @ CTK Church – Saturday 17th May

Mass @ SPB – Monday 19th May @ 9.15am

U11 Boys' Football vs LIPA @ Tiber Street – Tuesday 20th May 3pm – 5pm

U11 Boys' Football vs St Matthew's @ Jeffrey Humble – Thursday 22nd May 3pm – 5pm

INSET Day – School closed to children – Friday 23rd May

Half Term – Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May

Children return to school – Monday 2nd June

Y6 Events – Dates for the diary

Y6 Leavers' Mass – Tuesday 8th July @ 2pm

Y6 Trip to Ninja Warrior – Thursday 10th July

Y6 Leavers' Assembly Mr Gallagher's class – Tuesday 15th July @ 9.15am

Y6 Leavers' Assembly Miss Thompson's class – Tuesday 15th July @ 2pm

Y6 Prom – Wednesday 16th July 6.30pm- 8.30p

Parent Workshop Transition Event Y6 to Y7



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Is your child moving up from primary to secondary school this year?

This is a time of change which can feel difficult and cause anxious feelings for both children and their parents and carers.

The Liverpool Parenting Team is running a one-hour **Moving Up** workshop for all parents and carers of year 6 children who are moving to secondary school in September.

Offering guidance and advice on:

- What children worry about and what you can do to help
- What parents worry about and how you can help your child prepare for change
- Teen development, friendships, social media and staying safe
- Dealing with high emotion and restoring relationships after challenge
- How to encourage family containment
- The first few weeks and settling in
- Where else to get information and further reading



Our school is holding the Moving Up workshop on:

Tuesday 24th June 2pm until 3pm

Please tell the school if you would like to book a place

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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

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 28.04.25 until 14.07.25	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Monday	Choir Club	KS2	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Computer Club from 13.01.25*	Y4	3pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 22.04.25 until 15.04.25	Y5/Y6	7.45am-8.30am
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From 22.04.25 until 20.05.25	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 23.04.25 until 16.07.25	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 24.04.25 until 17.04.25	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am
Thursday	ReAction Group	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm-4pm
Friday	Dance From 25.04.25 until 18.07.25	EYFS to Y6	8am – 8.45am
Friday	Jay Woods Football From 25.04.25 until 11.07.25*	EYFS	3pm-4pm

Computer Club dates 2025– 19th May
2nd, 16th and 30th June
14th July

*No EYFS football sessions on 27th June or 18th July (Finish @ 1.30pm for Summer break).

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

It has been great to welcome the children back this week after the Easter holidays and hear about all the lovely things they have done! We have started our new topic of Traditional Tales with a focus on Jack and the Beanstalk. In our busy time areas, we have been sequencing images from the story in the correct order to then use to retell the story in our own words. We have also developed our scissor skills by cutting and sticking images from the story in the correct order. We collected leaves and along with cotton wool balls, used them in the creative area to make our own beanstalks reaching into the clouds! We have learned that tales can be split into three parts and that they have a beginning, middle and end. We discussed the beginning, middle and end of Jack and the Beanstalk and used our phonic knowledge to compose, hold and write sentences. In numeracy, we have practised counting on from different numbers up to 10. This is a really tricky concept, please see this week's homework to continue to practise this at home. Finally, in RE this week, we learned about Pope Francis. Together, we wrote and said a prayer from him and then decorated it to take home and share with our families. Have a lovely weekend everyone!

YEAR ONE:

It has been a great first week back in Year 1. We have started a new story in English, making predictions, exploring the characters through role play and learning new vocabulary. In Maths, we have begun to understand multiplication, through looking at equal groups. In RE, we learnt about the Bible story The Road to Emmaus and discussed how Jesus appeared to his followers after he had risen on Easter Sunday. And, in Geography, we began exploring the wider world by identifying the seven continents on a world map.

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YEAR TWO:

We have had a fantastic first week back after the Easter break with lots of hard work and learning taking place.

In English, we have started our new text 'The King who banned the dark'. We have been exploring all of the key features and applying them to our own writing. We have also been practicing how to correctly use adverbs and suffixes!

In maths, we have been looking at positional language and how different instructions cause a shape to move in different directions.

In science, we have been looking at living things and their habitat. This includes the habitats of plants and animals alike. We have been discussing how to create the perfect habitat for different minibeasts and animals.

In DT, we have been discussing how we can turn unhealthy snacks into healthy ones! We talked about crisps and how we could make them healthier. We thought about different root vegetables that would make the best alternative to crisps and designed packets to go along with our healthy snack.

Well done for all the hard work this week Year 2!

YEAR THREE:

It has been a great first week back in Year 3; beginning new topics and units of work and demonstrating a super attitude towards their learning! In Maths this week the children have been working on the chapter 'Pictograms and Bar Graphs'. They have used data to draw their own pictograms and bar graphs and have learnt how to read each graph to interpret the data, including answering questions such as 'How many more/fewer...'. In English, the children began the week by receiving a papyrus sheet with unusual symbols on which gave clues about their new vehicle text. The next day, the text 'Egyptology' was revealed to them and they studied journal extracts from the explorer Emily Sands. By the end of the week they were able to write detailed setting descriptions using an illustration of the pyramids. In History, the children were excited to learn about The Romans. They began this week by thinking about what life was like in Britain before the Romans invaded and settled. In Science we have started a new unit all about 'Plants'. We began by focusing on what we already know about plants, including re-capping the learning we did in Year 2. The children then learnt about the function that roots have and closely studied some real life examples of plants with roots. They were then able to draw simple diagrams and label their parts. What a busy week! Well done, Year 3.

YEAR FOUR:

It's been a shorter week following the Easter break, but certainly not a quiet one! We were delighted to welcome the children back on Tuesday and dive straight into a week full of learning and creativity.

In English, we began our new unit based on the powerful text *The Journey*, which tells the story of a family forced to flee their home as their country becomes a warzone. The children made thoughtful predictions about what might happen in the story, using clues from the pictures and early parts of the text to support their ideas.

Maths lessons have continued to focus on money. Pupils tackled some challenging word problems, working out how much change would be given from £50 after buying several items. Later in the week, we revisited rounding, learning how to round different amounts of money to the nearest pound—an important skill for real-life contexts.

The afternoons have had a creative focus. On Tuesday, we built on our work in tonal drawing by experimenting with ways to make shapes look 3D using shading techniques. In R.E., the children created reflective and expressive artwork based on one of the Stations of the Cross, linking their artistic skills with their understanding of the Easter story.

Well done to Year 4 for such a positive start to the new term!

YEAR FIVE:

This week in RE, Year 5 began their new topic, 'Transformation'. We first discussed different types of energy transformation and how we use energy in our school. We thought about how we can save energy and the importance of renewable energy sources. We then read the story of the friends of Jesus on the road to Emmaus. We heard about how they had met Jesus who helped them to understand the significance of what had happened following his death and resurrection. We wrote diary entries of what happened on the journey, giving reasons for how the disciples felt. In Basic Skills, we have revisited the tricky skill of multiplying and dividing whole and decimal numbers by 10, 100 and 1000. In our Maths lessons, we have begun and completed our chapter about percentages, using our prior knowledge of fractions and decimals to help us. In English, we have studied the structural and language features of the example bargain letter, identifying the writer's knowledge included. We then planned and wrote our own bargain letters from the perspective of the acorn keeper. In Science, we began our new topic, Living Things and Their Habitats. We revisited the life cycles of frogs, chicks and butterflies and discussed what vocabulary we already knew and which words were unfamiliar. In Geography, we started looking at the Amazon Basin by first studying the continent of South America, its countries and how far the Amazon Rainforest spans. Our favourite lesson this week was Art. We explored the work of Henri Rousseau, discussing style and colour and generated ideas of our own rainforest paintings. A busy but enjoyable first week back!

YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have started a new unit in English where we will be eventually writing an expedition narrative. We explored Ernest Shackleton and his voyage in 1901 towards the Antarctic as inspiration for our next extended piece of writing. In maths, we begun looking at averages and in particular looking at finding the mean of a set of numbers sometimes giving us a clearer picture; yet understanding that averages can also portray a vague set of results too. During our R.E. lesson we looked at how sometimes being a witness to something means being brave and showing courage to stand up for what is right. We explored a range of options that we could do as responsible citizens using specific scenarios and discussed the challenges that may present with following these actions. We also revised a range of our spelling, punctuation and grammar strategies that we acquired throughout our school life and demonstrated how this could be explained to younger children in our school.

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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