

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Advent Begins – Sunday 30th November

Hope becomes peace.

Peace becomes joy.

Joy becomes love.

Love becomes Christ

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Breakfast with Santa!



Monday 1st December – EYFS
Tuesday 2nd December – Year 2
Wednesday 3rd December – Year 3
Thursday 4th December – Year 3

Breakfast with Santa events will begin at 8am.

Please escort your child to the 2nd set of double doors of the extension (following the main path to the left and around the side of the building).

Santa can't wait to meet the boys and girls!

EYFS 26/27 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 – Local Authority online applications are now open. Closing date for on-line applications is Thursday 15th January 2026 – **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

Activities

Day	Club/Activity	Year Group	Time
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 10.10.25 until 15.12.25	EYFS	7.45am – 8.30am
Monday	Choir From 15.09.25	Y3-Y6	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 08.09.25 until 18.12.25	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From 04.11.25 until 09.12.25	Y1 & Y2	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Computer Club Every 2 weeks from 03.11.25	Y4	3.05pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 09.09.25 until 16.12.25	Y5/Y6	7.45am – 8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 10.09.25 until 17.12.25	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 11.09.25 until 18.12.25	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am
Thursday	Re-Action Group From 02.10.25	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm-4pm
Friday	Dance From 07.11.25 until 19.12.25	EYFS – Y6	8am – 8.30am

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Diary Dates

Mass – Monday 1st December @ 9.15am

Y6 Final Swimming Lesson – Monday 1st December

Flu Vaccinations – Friday 12th December

School closes for Christmas break – Friday 19th December @ 1.30pm

INSET Day (School closed to children) – Monday 5th January

Children return to school – Tuesday 6th January @ 8.30am

Merseyside Police Bike Marking Event – Belle Vale

PCSO Neil will be coming to Belle Vale Children's Centre on **Friday 12th December 12pm -2pm** to mark bikes (free of charge) for safety reasons in the event the bikes ever get lost they can be attempted to be traced and found. This is a drop-in session.

This event is ideal for children or adults to bring their current bikes or new bikes that will be given to children for Christmas.

Christmas Performance Dates

Date	Event	Year Group	Time
Monday 1 st December	EYFS Breakfast with Santa	Reception	8am-9am
Monday 1 st December	Advent Assembly	Year 1 – Mrs Mutch's class	2.15pm
Tuesday 2 nd December	Y2 Breakfast with Santa	Year 2	8am-9am
Tuesday 2 nd December	Advent Assembly	Year 1 – Miss Reilly's class	9am
Wednesday 3 rd December	Y1 Breakfast with Santa	Year 1	8am-9am
Thursday 4 th December	Y3 Breakfast with Santa	Year 3	8am-9am
Friday 5 th December	Santa Dash	Whole School	AM
Tuesday 9 th December	EYFS Christmas Performance	Reception – Elmer	9am
Tuesday 9 th December	SPB Choir Christmas Concert	SPB Choir	4pm
Wednesday 10 th December	EYFS Christmas Performance	Reception – Gruffalo	9am
Wednesday 10 th December	Christmas Dinner Day	Whole School	Lunchtime
Thursday 11 th December	Rocksteady Christmas Concert	Rocksteady students who have lessons on a Thursday	2.15pm
Thursday 11 th December	PTA Christmas Bingo	KSI	5pm-7pm
Friday 12 th December	Rocksteady Christmas Concert	Rocksteady students who have lessons on a Friday	2.15pm
Monday 15 th December	Nativity	Year 2 – Miss Wilson's class	2pm
Tuesday 16 th December	Nativity	Year 2 – Miss Cardwell class	9am
Wednesday 17 th December	PTA Christmas Bingo	KS2	5pm-7pm
Thursday 18 th December	Christmas Party Day	Whole School	-

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. For Choir/Rocksteady concerts we can only allow 2 family members per child to attend.** Please respect this as it is very uncomfortable to have to turn people away on the day. Thank you.

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Santa Dash

Santa Dash - Friday 5th December 2025

On Friday 5th December (**weather permitting**) we will hold our Annual Santa Dash.



Parents are welcome to watch from the grass on the right-hand side inside the main path gate. This means that the children do not have to run through the parents. Parents can also watch from the footpath outside school. This provides excellent views of the whole playground. Please ensure that you still leave room for people to be able to pass you without having to step on the road.

We hope that the weather will allow us to have our Santa Dash as planned. If the weather is bad, we will unfortunately have to postpone the event until Friday 12th December. It would be a miserable time for the children to run around the course in the pouring rain! We are aware that many parents may have arranged time off work to watch their children, so if there is only light rain we will proceed as planned. In the event that we have to postpone due to bad weather we will send out a text early on the morning of the event.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Time	Year Group
9.15 am	EYFS
9.25am	Year 1
9.35am	Year 2
9.45am	Year 3
9.55am	Year 4
10.05am	Year 5
10.15am	Year 6

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General Information

Christ the King Church Christmas Fair

Christ the King Church will be holding their Christmas Fair on Saturday 29th November 1pm-4pm at Christ the King Club – Score Lane entrance.

There will be bottle, toy and gift tombolas, face painting, a raffle and refreshments!

Entrance £1 per person.

Christ the King Parish – Crib Exhibition

★ CHRIST THE KING PARISH
CRIB & HERITAGE EXHIBITION ★

To celebrate our centenary year

1925 - 2025

Come and celebrate our centenary with a beautiful display of cribs from our parishioners, view a heritage exhibition looking back at the past 100 years of Christ the King
FREE ENTRY, CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, REFRESHMENTS,
HAND MADE CRIBS FOR SALE

4 Dec	2pm - 7pm
5 Dec	10am - 7pm
6 Dec	10am - 3pm

Christ The King Church
78 Queens Drive Liverpool L15 6YQ

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week, as part of our Celebrations topic, we focused on Advent and learned that it is a special time when Christians get ready to celebrate Jesus' birthday. We talked about how and why people celebrate and shared the different ways we celebrate at home. We also compared Advent to Hanukkah, exploring similarities and differences between our celebrations and those of Jewish people. We took part in a range of activities which included labelling Nativity characters, threading beads onto stars, cutting out candles to make an Advent wreath, creating wreaths with play dough, painting Bethlehem scenes with watercolours, and using finger puppets to retell the Christmas story. We also made Advent promises. They were written on stars, and we decorated and hung them on the Christmas tree in the school hall. In Maths, we explored number stories and used coloured blocks to find different ways to make 5. We have also been introduced to number equations and the add and equals signs. A busy and exciting week. We wonder what next week will have in store...

YEAR ONE:

What a busy week we have had in Year One. In Maths, we have continued working with ordinal numbers. We have been having races around the classroom and using the language 1st, 2nd and 3rd to describe positions. There is more practise of this for homework. We started the planning phase of our DT project, this week. We have been designing pop up Christmas cards, looking at some inspiration and drawing out our own designs. We can't wait to make these over the next couple of weeks. To develop our writing, we have been doing some simple sentence practise and really working on our handwriting - making sure our letters are formed correctly and sit nicely on the lines. On Thursday, we thoroughly enjoyed our first school disco! It was so fun dancing and playing games with our friends! In RE, we talked about the importance of Advent being a time for doing something that makes a difference. We wrote Advent promises and will be hanging them on our school Christmas tree, when it arrives! Alongside our learning, we have done lots of Advent assembly practice and we cannot wait to share this with you all next week! Have a lovely weekend.

YEAR TWO:

This week in class, the children continued to work on their English topic, 'The Night Gardener' where they explored -ly adverbs, the suffixes -ful and -less, and how to correctly use question marks and exclamation marks. In Maths, we have been learning about division, particularly dividing by 2, 5, and 10, and ending the week with a review session. Our Geography lesson this week focused on using compass directions and navigating using a map. Nativity preparations are well underway, and we have had several practice sessions throughout the week as we get closer to our performance. On Thursday the children enjoyed the Mega Funky Disco after school and were a pleasure to have in school showing brilliant manners and behaviour throughout. Please continue to support your children with their Nativity songs and lines at home as they are doing brilliantly.

YEAR THREE:

This week has seen Year 3 complete their Fable Narrative writing in English. We have been blown away by their fantastic writing telling the story of Fox and Magpie. They have used descriptive vocabulary to depict the devious, sly character of Fox and to describe their journey together. In Maths, the children have worked hard on a new written method of multiplication. With lots of practice, they are becoming more confident when multiplying a 2-digit number by a 1 digit number. They are realising the importance of knowing their times tables by heart! Please continue to use TTRS to consolidate those key facts of the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. In RE this week the children shared their family tree with the class, which had been completed at home. It was wonderful to see the hard work that had been put into these and how much the children enjoyed talking about their families! This followed on from our scripture reading and thinking about Jesus' family tree. Children have enjoyed learning about Liverpool in the Victorian times during their History lessons this half term. This week they focused on the differences between life for a poor person and life for a rich person. Ask them to describe some of the differences to you! A busy week as always! Well done, Year 3.

YEAR FOUR:

This week in **English**, we began writing our information reports on polar bears. Pupils practised constructing clear, factual sentences in the style of an information paragraph and then used laptops to carry out their own research, gathering fascinating details about these remarkable Arctic animals.

In **R.E.**, the children explored Pope Francis' *Five Finger Prayer*. After learning what each finger represents, they thoughtfully created their own versions, tailoring their prayers to the people and ideas most important to them.

Meanwhile, in **Maths**, we continued our work on division. The focus this week was on remainders and understanding what happens when a number cannot be shared equally. Pupils used practical examples and visual models to deepen their understanding.

Over in **History**, we learned about the plague outbreak in Eyam and the extraordinary courage shown by the villagers. The children were particularly struck by the selfless decisions made to prevent the spread of disease and protect others.

On Wednesday, our **Art** lessons took inspiration from David Hockney once again. Pupils produced striking oil pastel recreations of *A Bigger Splash*, carefully observing colour, shape and movement. Their next challenge will be to recreate the same piece using acrylic paint, building on the skills they have already developed.

YEAR FIVE:

It's been another excellent week for Year 5! The children wrote fantastic stories inspired by our vehicle text, *FAR-THUR*, showcasing creativity and imagination. In **Maths**, they worked extremely hard to solve some challenging word problems. In **RE**, we explored the symbolism of the Advent Wreath, learning about the meaning behind the purple and rose candles that are lit each Sunday of Advent. We also enjoyed watching Year 1's wonderful Advent Assembly. On Tuesday, 5W continued the brilliant gardening work started by 5F — our visitors were very impressed with the children's enthusiasm and teamwork!

Reminders: PE on Mondays. Homework/reading set Thursdays, due back Wednesdays.

YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have had a busy and enjoyable week. We began by writing our Advent promises, thinking carefully about how we can show kindness and positivity during this special season. These are now displayed on our class Advent wreath. In English, we started our new topic on documentary narratives, using *The Ways of the Wolf* to help us explore how real facts can be woven into engaging stories. In maths, we focused on simplifying and ordering fractions with different denominators, including mixed numbers, and the children showed great determination as the challenges increased. Our science lesson was especially hands-on as we created periscopes using cereal boxes and tested how they help us see around obstacles. We also looked at the different climate zones across the USA in geography, discovering just how varied the country's weather can be. It has been a productive and exciting week for Year 6!

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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