

SPB NEWS

"FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRIST"



Y2 Nativity Performances

On Monday and Tuesday, families of our year 2 children enjoyed their Advent Assembly. The children performed with such confidence, speaking clearly and singing beautifully. The assembly told the story of Jesus's birthday and reminded us that Advent is a time when we are getting ready to celebrate it.

Dear God,

*Help us to remember the birth of Jesus.
Help us to share the gifts of love, joy and peace.
Look after everyone during the Christmas season.*

Amen



All staff would like to say thank you for all the lovely Christmas cards, gifts and good wishes. We wish all our SPB families a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

*God of light and hope,
Look upon us in love and fill us with the spirit of Jesus,
Protect us as we await the coming of our Lord,
Jesus Christ, who is the light of the world.*

Amen

PTA Santa Dash and Christmas Family Bingo

Thank you once again to all our SPB families for your generous Santa Dash donations and a huge thank you to everyone who bought tickets and came along to our Christmas Family Bingo nights and raffles.

All money raised will be spent on your children ensuring they receive a rich and enjoyable experience at school.

Please visit our SPB 'X' page, individual year group Twitter pages and Tapestry (EYFS) to see photos and videos of our Christmas activities!

PE Days for Spring Term – w/b Monday 5th January 2026

PE Days after Christmas break are as follows:

Monday – EYFS, Y5 and Y6 swimming lessons

Tuesday – Y2 and Year 6

Wednesday – Year 1, Year 3 and Year 4

Children should come to school wearing PE kit/tracksuit on PE days. Thank you.

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[Liverpool City Council – Free food and activities programme](#)

Please click the link below to discover free food and activities programme for eligible families this Christmas:

[Liverpool City Council – Free food and activities Christmas programme](#)

[Liverpool City Council – Reducing Conflict at Christmas Advice](#)

Please click the link below for tips on reducing conflict at Christmas time and where to go for support.

[Peaceful Holidays – Reducing Parental/Family Conflict](#)

[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 12.01.26 to 23.03.26	EYFS	7.45am – 8.30am
Monday	Choir	Y3-Y6	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Jay Woods Football From 12.01.26 to 23.03.26	Y1	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Tuesday	LLS Multi-sports From 06.01.26 for 6 weeks	Y3 & Y4	3pm – 4pm
Monday	Computer Club Every 2 weeks from 12.01.26	Y4	3.05pm – 4pm
Tuesday	Jay Woods Football From 06.01.26 to 24.03.26	Y5/Y6	7.45am – 8.30am
Wednesday	Jay Woods Football From 07.01.26 to 25.03.26	Y2	3.05pm – 4.05pm
Thursday	Jay Woods Football From 08.01.26 to 26.03.26	Y3 & Y4	7.45am – 8.30am
Thursday	Re-Action Group	Y4, Y5 & Y6	3pm-4pm
Friday	Dance	EYFS – Y6	8am – 8.30am

Diary Dates

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

Mass @ SPB – Monday 12th January @ 9.15am

Y5 Swimming lessons begin – Monday 12th January

General Information

School age flu drop-in clinics:

The flu vaccine is available to all children from nursery up to year 11.
You can drop-in to one of the clinics being provided by Mersey Care's School Aged Immunisation Team.

Friday 19th December, 10.00-4.00pm at Sefton Road Clinic, Litherland, L21 9HE

Saturday 20th December, 9:30am to 3.00pm at Manor Farm PCRC, Huyton, L36 0UB

Monday 22nd December, 9:30 to 3:00pm at St Chads PCRC, Kirkby, L32 8RE- First floor



Remember: This is a drop-in service, so you may need to wait to be seen. Your patience is appreciated.

For further drop in venues please visit the living well bus timetable: <https://www.cwp.nhs.uk/livingwellservice>.

27 DECEMBER
WAVERTREE SPORTS PARK
10am registration, 11am start line!

+ Christmas Fun Run



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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK?

EYFS:

This week we have enjoyed lots of Christmassy activities, including Christmas card writing and a range of fine motor and scissor skill activities such as decorating trees, cutting shapes and creating festive crafts. The children also enjoyed Christmas-themed jigsaws, colouring and making Santa and gingerbread men hats. We completed phonics and writing assessments and are so proud of the progress the children have made this half term; there may be some changes to groups and teachers after the holidays. We ended the week with a fun party afternoon full of dancing, singing, snacks and games like musical statues and pass the parcel — a lovely way to finish the term. Thank you for your continued support and kind words, cards and gifts. We wish you all a very merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you in the new year. 🎄 ✨ ✨

YEAR ONE:

What an enjoyable last week of term we have had! We have completed our Maths unit exploring numbers up to 20 by comparing numbers and finding 1 more and 1 less. In English, we completed our instructions for 'How to catch a witch'; we included all the key features that we have learnt. In RE, we made our own angels to represent the chorus of angels who visited the shepherds to share the good news of Jesus' birth and we also made Christingles; exploring what each part represents. On Wednesday, we made some special reindeer food that we will sprinkle outside on Christmas Eve, waiting patiently for Santa's arrival and on Thursday we thoroughly enjoyed our party afternoon. We danced, played games and had so much fun with our friends. We are really looking forward to having a fun final day of term!

The Year One team would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support throughout this first term! The children have all been superstars and we look forward to the exciting learning in Spring term. We wish you all a happy Christmas and see you in 2026!

YEAR TWO:

This week has been full of festive learning and celebrations in class. The children worked incredibly hard on their performance of 'A Magical Christmas Journey' and it was lovely to see the enjoyment it brought to all. In class we finished our RE unit on Prayer and Prophecy bringing us up to the birth of Jesus. In English, the children planned and wrote diary entries from William in 'The Night Gardener'. In Science, they investigated the correlation between age and height through a practical experiment with the class group. The week ended on a high with a Christmas party afternoon which was a wonderful end to a busy and joyful term! The Year 2 teaching team wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and look forward to seeing everyone back in school in 2026.

YEAR THREE:

It has been a very busy final week in Year 3! The children completed their information report unit on foxes in English, producing some fantastic work and showing how much they have learned. In Maths, we finished our unit on *Length*, focusing on metres, centimetres and millimetres, with the children applying their knowledge confidently in the final 'review'. We also completed our History assessment on Victorian Liverpool, where the children worked completed a quiz to show what they had learnt about life for rich and poor Victorians. Our highlight of the week was the Christmas party afternoon, which was filled with lots of singing and dancing, as well as enjoying some treat snacks while watching a festive film. We are so proud of the start the children have made this year and how hard they have worked. We wish you all a well-earned rest and look forward to seeing everyone when we return to school in January. Merry Christmas from the Year 3 Team! 

YEAR FOUR:

The final week of the Autumn Term has been full of learning and festive fun.

In English, the children completed their information reports about polar bears, and we were amazed by the number of facts they could recall about these magnificent mammals; the quality of their writing was truly impressive.

The children also approached their end-of-term assessments with great maturity, and it has been pleasing to see the progress they have made.

We had so much fun on Christmas Party Day, with the children enjoying dancing, colouring and a range of party games with their friends.

Thank you very much for all the thoughtful cards and gifts – they are greatly appreciated. We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas!

YEAR FIVE:

This week in Year 5, we have been exploring graphs in Maths and wrote a fantastic formal letter in English based on *Farther* by Grahame Baker-Smith. In RE, we have been exploring the Nativity story and reflecting on its meaning. Thank you to all the children for their continued hard work and effort. We would like to wish the ski team a wonderful trip to Bormio in January and wish all of Year 5 a very Merry Christmas. From Miss Williams, Mr Felton, Mrs Ticehurst and Miss Bennett.

YEAR SIX:

Year 6 have enjoyed a busy and exciting end to the term. We celebrated with a festive Christmas party afternoon, which was a wonderful opportunity to relax and enjoy time together. In maths, pupils explored simple methods for dividing fractions where the numerator is divisible by the divisor, building confidence and accuracy. We also consolidated important SPaG knowledge, focusing on how prepositions and conjunctions are used to improve sentence structure and clarity. In computing, the children used Excel spreadsheets and formulas to plan and budget for a hypothetical Year 6 event, developing valuable real-life skills. We ended the week on a high note, thoroughly enjoying a fantastic performance from our talented choir on Thursday morning. Thank you to all parents and carers for your support this term, have a wonderful Christmas.

KEEP IN TOUCH...

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