

Headteacher's Message

Friday 5th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers



Transition to new classes in September 2024

As you are aware we have planned a number of sessions and activities to help support all the children with a smooth transition to their new classes in September.

On **Wednesday 3rd July this week** the children will meet their new teacher in their new classroom. We will have a second half day session on Wednesday 10th July. The children will experience a selection of activities to give them a little flavor of next year's curriculum.

All children will be given a 'Transition Booklet' which they will start completing in school and bring home to share with you and complete over the summer.

Year 2 moving to Year 3 will be given a tour of the junior building and the outside play areas.

We will also be sharing some additional information for parents/carers on how you can help prepare your child/children: '**Top Ten Tips for preparing your child for change**'.

Year 6 children moving to senior school in September will have some additional transition webinars and workshops to support their move.

Sport Day -Monday 8th July 2024

We would love you to come along and support your children. If the weather is going to be hot, can you please ensure your child has sunscreen and a hat on. **They must wear their full school PE kit and bring a bottle of water.**

There will be a parent race also so bring your running shoes! KS1 (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) Gates open 9.15am Start 9.30am End 10.15am approx. KS2 (Year 3 , Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6) Gates open 1.15pm Start 2.00pm End 3.15pm

According to my weather App (!) the weather looks good for Monday so all being well it will go ahead as planned. *However please keep a check on your school app for any updates.*

Children's Graduation Ceremony at Liverpool University – Yoko Ono Lennon Centre

Today we took 30 children from year 6 and year 2 to attend the Children's University Graduation Ceremony. This graduation marks the end of a very successful first year of the Children's University at our school.

After launching the Children's University in September, we have fully embraced the project. We have taken every opportunity possible to gain credits for our children, getting involved in Masterclasses to learn more about Egyptian Hieroglyphics as well as learning about Cybercrime with Merseyside Police. For us this year has helped us celebrate the many talents and hobbies our children have.



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A big thank you all of our children for getting involved this year but a special St Michael's shout-out to our University Graduates this year! They have worked incredibly hard both in and outside of school to build up their credits and every one of them has their own amazing talents and gifts that have helped them achieve this fantastic award.

Thank you to all the many parent and carers that attended the celebration ceremony today. Great to see you all there.

Each child wore a CAP AND GOWN and were presented with a beautiful certificate – all graduates had professional photos and applauded by the whole audience for these great achievements. We all had a terrific time. A special shout out to Ms Sillitoe who leads and co ordinates the Children's University at our school.

All being well we will have more graduates next July!

Key Dates for your Summer Diary

Some of these events will be weather dependent and so we may have to re-schedule if required.

Activity	Date/Time	Year group	
Knowsley Safari Park	Monday 20 th May	4	Parents/Carers Volunteers
Spanish Day	Friday 14 th June	Whole School	
School Holy Communion Celebration	Wednesday 19 th June at 9.15am	Holy Communion Children	Parents/Carers and family members Welcome
Whole School Book Breakfast	Thursday 20 th June at 8.15am	All children – Nursery-year 6	Parents/Carers Welcome
Otterspool Adventure	Friday 21 st June	Year 3	Parents/Carers Volunteers
Aspire and Achieve Week	Week beginning Monday 24 th June	All children	More Information to follow
Year 6 Secondary School Transition Day	Wednesday 3 rd July	Year 6	More Information to follow (see newsletter)
Whole School Transition Day		Reception –year 5	



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Children's Graduation Ceremony at Liverpool University – <i>Yoko Ono Lennon Centre</i>	Friday 5 th July	Children in year 6 who have collected enough points to graduate	Parents/Carers Welcome – Venue <input type="button" value="v"/>
Sports Day	Monday 8 th July	Morning: Reception – yr2 Afternoon: Juniors	Parents/Carers Welcome
Trip to Blue Planet Aquarium	Thursday 11 th July	Year 1	Parents/Carers Volunteers
Farmer Teds	Thursday 11 th July	Reception Class	Parents/Carers Volunteers
Prom Night Party	Thursday 11 th July	Year 6	
Trip to Blue Planet Aquarium	Friday 12 th July	Year 2	Parents/Carers Volunteers
Prize Giving Assembly	Monday 15 th July at 9.15am	Reception-Year2	Parents/Carers Welcome
Year 6 Farewell Performance	Monday 15 th July at 2pm		Parents/Carers Welcome
Otterspool Adventure	Monday 15 th July	Year 5	Parents/Carers Volunteers
Prize Giving Assembly	Tuesday 16 th July at 9.15am	Year 3-5	Parents/Carers Welcome
End of Year Pupil Reports go home	Tuesday 16 th July	Whole school	
Picnic Around the World	Wednesday 17 th July at 2pm	Whole school	Parents/Carers Welcome
Trip to Gulliver's World	Thursday 18 th July	Year 6	Parents/Carers Volunteers
Leavers Prize Giving Assembly	Friday 19 th July Morning at 9.15am	Year 6	Parents/Carers Welcome

School Closes at 1.30pm on Friday 19th July 2024

School Re-Opens (Year 1 –Year 6) Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Have a lovely weekend

Best Wishes

Mrs Alyson Rigby

Headteacher



Focus: Football

On Thursday afternoon, year 6 welcomed their counterparts from St Cecelia's for two games of football. The Whizz Kids unfortunately lost their first game, but all involved played extremely well and should be proud of themselves. They were winners in their second game by a margin of 8 goals to 2, with a particularly good solo effort from Lucy.

The Champions, won their first game comfortably and drew their second game in a well fought 1-1 contest. All children acquitted themselves very well and were exemplary representatives of our school.





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Children's University



Over the last school year, children have been collecting credits for Children's University by attending after school clubs, taking on roles within class and attending clubs outside of school.

This Friday, they got to attend the Yoko Ono Auditorium in town to graduate. We had a number of children who achieved Bronze, Silver and Gold level awards. The work that the children have put in has been phenomenal and we are so proud of them. It was wonderful to get to celebrate with them today, and for them to get to feel such an enormous sense of achievement.





Celebration

SCIENTIST OF THE WEEK



MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK



Head Teacher Awards

Year 1	Joannah	Treasure
Year 2	Ivan	Ava
Year 3	Fatima	Reda
Year 4	Ofure	Favor
Year 5	Jude	Luciana
Year 6	Albert	Noah

Reader of the Week



PHONICS STAR OF THE WEEK





After School Clubs

After School Clubs

Summer 2		
Club	Staff Lead	Yr
Monday		
Maths Tuition	Ms. Forbes	Y4
Running Club	Ms. Cornett	KS2
Writing Tuition	Ms. McEntee	Y1
Phonics Tuition	Ms. Duncan	Y1
Football	Mr. Ferry	Y5
Tuesday		
Choir	Rosie and Ms. Haynes	KS2
Maths Tuition	Ms. Forbes	Y4
Writing Tuition	Ms. McEntee	Y1
Football	Mr. Ferry	Y6

Wednesday		
Chess Club	Mr Smith	Y5&6
Art Club	Ms. Steiner	Y 3&4
DT Club	Ms. Duncan	Y3
Thursday		
Mini Vinnies	Ms. Roscoe	Y 5&6
Girls Football	LFC	Y 5&6
Phonics Tuition	Ms. Duncan	Y1
Wellbeing Club	Ms. Butterworth	Y5
Friday		
Rounders Club	Coach Sam	Y 3&4

All clubs finish at 4:15 unless specified. Please refer to your permission letter for instructions on where to collect the children. Usual collection points are the infant gate for KS1 clubs, and junior gate for KS2 clubs.

Aspirations: Psalm 139:1-6
Looking forward to next year



What have you achieved in school this year?



Class prayer time

Our Father,
Who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name;
Thy kingdom come;
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Amen

Read the [Parish of St Michael & Sacred Heart Newsletters'](#) and [The Wednesday Word](#)



Jaime Cranham
Our Family Support Worker

Jamie is available to talk privately about any questions, concerns or issues you may have. Come along for a private chat.

Drop in sessions every Tuesday at 9:00am

Jaime Cranham 07712235803

jaime.cranham@liverpool.gov.uk

or see Mrs Birch

Ask at Reception for further details





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Attendance



WIN A BIKE!!! THE CHILDREN WITH THE BEST ATTENDANCE OVER THE YEAR WILL BE ENTERED INTO A PRIZE DRAW IN JULY!

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Year Group	% Attendance
SHINING STARS - RECEPTION	89.4%
SUPERSTARS - RECEPTION	95.2%
QUICK THINKERS - YEAR 1	100%
RECORD BREAKERS - YEAR 1	97.3%
GOLDEN WONDERS - YEAR 2	90.3%
WORLD BEATERS - YEAR 2	86.7%
HEROES - YEAR 3	91%
OLYMPIANS - YEAR 3	99.3%
HOTSHOTS - YEAR 4	94.5%
INSPIRATIONS - YEAR 4	98%
HIGH ACHIEVERS - YEAR 5	99%
HIGH FLYERS - YEAR 5	98.7%
WHIZZKIDS - YEAR 6	90%
CHAMPIONS - YEAR 6	97.3%
Totals	95.2%

Well done to the **Quick Thinkers and Olympians** for achieving the highest attendance this week. Let's keep on pushing for 100% attendance, 100% of the time!

These classes have won this week's mini disco & crisps for best Class attendance. Well done



Regular attendance at school is the single most important factor in a child/children making appropriate progress and achieving success. Good, regular and punctual attendance means doing well academically, developing better relationships with other children and positive behaviour. It also sets up good habits for when young people enter into work and life.



We aim for average school attendance to be 97% There are 190 days in a school year which leaves 175 days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.

It is also important to arrive at school on time. If a child arrives late to school every day, their learning begins to suffer. This graph shows how being late to school every day over a school year adds up to lost learning time.

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes Until...

- Chills: at least 3 days from the onset of the rash and until all blots have disappeared
- Diarrhoea and vomiting: 48 hours after their last episode
- Cold and flu like illness (including COVID-19): 7 days from the start of symptoms and they are feeling better, unless they have a prolonged cough or other problem or COVID-19
- Measles: once rashes have cleared and lasted for 48 hours after they started subsiding
- Mumps: 5 days after the swelling started
- Scarlet: they feel better, first episode
- Scrub typhus: 10 days after they started taking antibiotics
- Whispering Cough: 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

- Head lice
- Headlice
- Threadworms
- Shedding hair
- Toenails
- Stuffed cheek

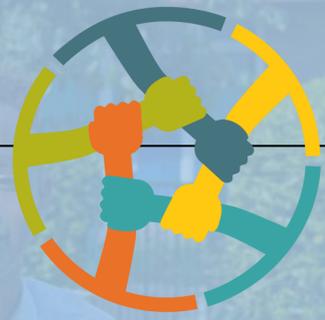
Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://go.nhs.uk>



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In the interest of your child's safety and well being, a named adult needs to be contactable at all times. Please ensure the school has at least 3 up to date telephone numbers. If school are unable to contact you and have concerns we may call the police and request a welfare check.

Can you please call school at the beginning of the day if your child is going to be absent.



Parenting, SEN and other support

Enquiries to: School Holiday Activities and Food

Email: shaf@liverpool.gov.uk



Dear Parent or Guardian

The Summer HAF programme starts on the 22nd July 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 Summer 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 **zorbing, garden fun, bubble football, nerf wars, mindfulness, swimming, football, music, dance, cycling, gymnastics, theatre tech, cooking, discos, podcasting, arts and crafts, drama, basketball, trips out and nature walks!** A meal will be provided for every child attending.

We have introduced a new central booking system to make it easier for you to find and book the activities. You can find out where your nearest scheme is by clicking on this link <https://eequ.org/liverpoolhaf> which will take you to the Liverpool HAF page and the easy to fill in booking system. You can search by age, provider or date. There is a handy booking help video here - [How to make a booking](#)

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 Summer HAF programme. This programme is funded by the Department for Education.

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

Regards

Sally Dobbing

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Parenting, SEN and other support

OUR MEN'S GROUP

WHEN
Every Monday
1:00pm—2:00pm

WHERE
Garston Children's Centre
70 Banks Road,
Garston
Liverpool
L19 8JZ

0151 233 6868

IT'S OKAY TO TALK !

GROUP FACILITATOR
Ryan Hoey

WE ALL HAVE A STORY TO TELL.



DROP IN SESSION
Refreshments Provided
Call in for a chat
Form new friendships

YOU ARE NOT ALONE !



What is a Kinship Carer?

A kinship carer is a person looking after someone else's child because their parents are unable to care for them. You might be a grandparent, auntie, uncle, sibling, or friend. You might be caring for very young children or teenagers. You might be new to kinship caring or you may have been doing it for many years.

How can Kinship Carers Support You?

Kinship caring is both rewarding and challenging. Some families face difficulties at different stages of the kinship family journey. You are caring for others but who is caring for you? We are here to give you advice, information and support. We provide an Activities Programme for kin kids and carers – and can introduce you to other kin families locally

Every kinship family situation is different

Kinship children that are not in school or childcare are welcome to attend these sessions

Meeting's at Garston Children's Centre

9th February 2024
23rd February 2024
8th March 2024
22nd March 2024
19th April 2024
3rd May 2024
17th May 2024
24th May 2024
14th June 2024
28th June 2024
12th July 2024

Garston Children's Centre Kinship Support Group

Support and guidance available from the Kinship support team, pop in to meet other kinship carers, have a chat and a cup of tea. Contact Garston Children's Centre for more information

Garston Children's Centre
70 Banks Road
Garston L19 8JZ
0151 233 6868

Registered Charity Number: 1122907 Kinship Carers is a company limited by guarantee No:05943911



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Safeguarding & Support

Safeguarding Team

If you are feeling sad, upset, hurt or scared you can talk to any member of staff.

 <p>Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Birch</p>	 <p>Co-designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Gordon</p>	 <p>Deputy Safeguarding Lead Mrs Pigby</p>	 <p>Safeguarding Team Member Mrs Reilly</p>	 <p>Safeguarding Governor Ms Riley</p>
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If you have any safeguarding concerns or queries please speak to a member of the team.



Worried about a Child or Young Person?

If a child is at risk of harm, abuse or neglect please report it to:

Children's Advice & Support Service

CASS- 0151 459 2606

NSPCC

Worried about a child?

0808 800 5000
help@nspcc.org.uk

TALK TO US

If things are getting to you

116 123 FREE
The number is FREE to call from any landline

jo@samaritans.org
samaritans.org

SAMARITANS

Call in for advice and support

BIG HELP PROJECT




Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hope Place, 410 East Prescott Road, L14 3EQ 11am - 1pm	Deysbrook Community Centre, 2 Deysbrook Way, L12 4XF 9am - 12pm	Friends of Eaton Street Park @ Eaton Street, Prescot, L34 6DH 11:30am - 1:30pm	Croxteth Family Matters @ 35 Moss Way, L11 0BL 9am - 3pm	Croxteth Family Matters @ 35 Moss Way, L11 0BL 10:30pm - 12:30pm
Joseph Loppin Centre, Mill Lane, Old Swan, L13 5TF 12pm - 2pm	Community Hub, The Craft, Stockbridge Village, L28 1NR 12pm - 2pm	The Drive, 235B Finch Lane, L14 4AE 12pm - 3pm	Deysbrook Community Centre, 2 Deysbrook Way, L12 4XF 9am - 12pm	The Drive, 235B Finch Lane, L14 4AE 12pm - 3pm
Big Help Project, 212H Boaler Street, Kensington 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Market Stalls No. 118-119, Market Square, Kirby, L32 8RQ 12pm - 2pm	St George's Church, 46 Primrose Drive, L36 8DW 10am - 1pm	Community Hub, The Craft, Stockbridge Village, L28 1NR 10:30am - 12:30pm	St Michael's Huyton Parish Church Hall, Bluebell Lane, L36 7SE 12pm - 2pm
Marybone Youth Centre, Addison Way, L3 2EW 1pm - 4pm	Walton Vale Community Shop, 105 Walton Vale, Walton, L9 4SR 1:30pm - 3:30pm (Book for 5:30 - 6:30 slot at waltonvaleshop.co.uk)	The Flowers @ 1 Citron Close, L9 1LG 2:30pm - 4:30pm	Charlotte's Brightside @ New Brighton Community Centre, 1A Hope Street, CH45 2LN 12pm - 3pm	Roby Community Centre, Merton Cres, Huyton, L36 4LD 12pm - 2pm
Charlotte's Brightside @ New Brighton Community Centre, 1A Hope Street, CH45 2LN 12:30pm - 3:30pm	Care Merseyside Tower Hill Community Centre, Ebony Way, L33 1XT 12:30pm - 2:30pm	The Drive, 235B Finch Lane, L14 4AE 4pm - 6pm	Walton Vale Community Shop, 105 Walton Vale, Walton, L9 4SR 1:30pm - 3:30pm (Book for 5:30 - 6:30 slot at waltonvaleshop.co.uk)	Big Help Project, 212H Boaler Street, Kensington 1:30pm - 3:30pm
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FIND A MEAL

<p>Bootle Tuesdays at 7pm St Matthew's 410 Stanley Road L20 5AE</p>	<p>Dingle Wednesdays at 7pm St Cleopas Church 400 Mill Street L8 4RF</p>	<p>Old Swan Thursdays 7pm The Salvation Army Prescot Road L13 3BT</p>
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Food Clubs offer members good quality fresh food that would otherwise go to landfill. Members pay £3.50 a week and choose up to 10 items, or pay £5 for up to 15 items.
*subject to change - check our social media every Monday for our

Find out more about Big Help:

Big Help Project
@bighelpproject
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bighelpproject.com
0151 482 6089
212 Boaler St. L6 6AF

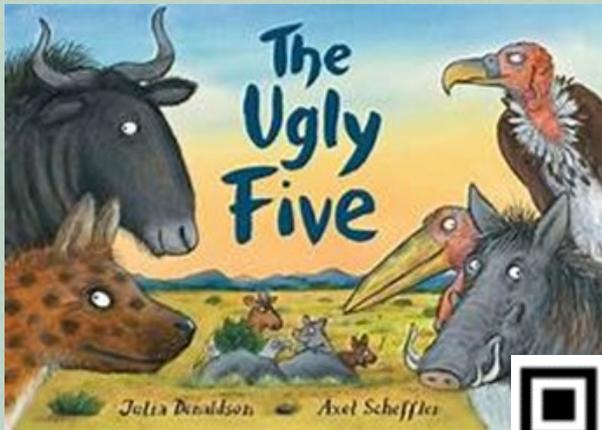
Come in for a free meal
No referral needed, just turn up!

www.foodcycle.org.uk | 02077 292 775
Registered charity number: 113423



Storytime @ St Michael's

Scan a code, snuggle up and listen to a story!



The Ugly Five by Julia
Donaldson and Axel
Scheffler



Scan the QR code to listen
to...

"Playtime with Ted"

By Sophie Henn



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Term Dates 2023 -2024

Autumn Term 2023

Term: Monday 4th September – Thursday 21st December

Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Monday 4th September to Thursday 26th October

Half term: Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 6th November to Thursday 21st December

Terms ends: Thursday 21st December 2023



Spring Term 2024

Term: Monday 8th January – Thursday 28th March

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February

Half term: Monday 12th February – Monday 19th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Tuesday 20th February to Thursday 28th March

Term ends: Thursday 28th March



Summer Term 2024

Term: Monday 8th April to Friday 19th July

Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Monday 8th April to Friday 24th May

Half term: Monday 27th May to Friday 7th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 10th June to Friday 19th July

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

May Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May



Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Friday 1st September 2023

Friday 27th October

Monday 19th February 2024

Four extended twilight sessions (22nd Dec & 22 July)



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Autumn Term 2024

Term: Tuesday 3rd September – Friday 20th December

Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Tuesday 3rd September to Friday 25th October

Half term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 4th November to Friday 20th December

Terms ends: Friday 20th December 2024



Spring Term 2025

Term: Monday 6th January – Thursday 10th April

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February

Half term: Monday 17th February – Monday 24th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Tuesday 25th February to Thursday 10th April

Term ends: Thursday 10th April 2025



Summer Term 2025

Term: Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 18th July (May Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May)

Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May

Half term: Monday 26th May to Friday 6th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 9th June to Friday 18th July

Term Ends: Friday 18th July 2025



Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 24th February 2025

Six extended twilight session