

# Headteacher's Message

Thursday 10th April

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the final newsletter of the spring term

Wow! What a very busy final week in school it has been.

Holy Week Story

Monday – [Year 4 Last Supper Assembly](#)

Year 4 children led a beautiful and prayerful assembly sharing the second part of the Holy Week story. Jesus shared a meal with his 12 apostles. While they were eating, Jesus took a piece of bread, gave a prayer of thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples. **“Take and eat it”** he said, **“this is my body”**.

The assembly ended with a beautiful tableau on the stage with children showing this very special meal.

The story telling, readings and prayers were wonderful – thank you year 4 and staff.

Tuesday – [Year 5 Stations of the Cross](#)

Year 5 children shared a very holy and moving assembly of the 14 **Stations of the Cross**. **Through drama, prayers, readings and songs we all journeyed through the stations starting with the arrest of Jesus to when Jesus has died and laid in the tomb.**

**It was truly beautifully put together by the children and staff – thank you and well done.**

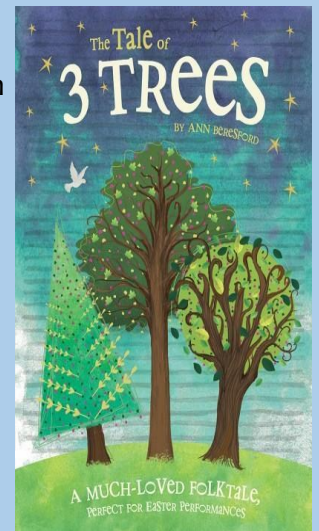
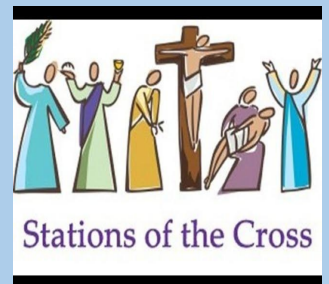
Wednesday – [Year 3 The Three Trees and Year 6 EASTER songs](#)

Year 3 treated us to the most wonderful version of this very meaningful Easter story – each tree having a special hope for the future but God had an even better plan for each one of them – the first tree becoming the manger for baby Jesus, the second tree becoming the fishing boats that carried Jesus with the apostles and the final tree becoming the cross Jesus dies on.

The children's performance was stunning – filled with singing, readings, prayers and beautiful songs. The costumes and scenery also added to the creative story telling shared by the year group.

Year 6 sang a selection of new and some old favourite Easter songs. They filled the hall with EASTER joy for all to enjoy!

A big thank you to all the children and staff for these creative and magical performances.





## Headteacher's Message Continued

### Easter Discos

All the children from Reception to Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to get dressed up in party clothes and dance with their friends. Thank you to Mr Ferry and Mr Smith our resident DJs and all the staff for supporting these events.



### Infant EASTER Bonnet parade.

Yesterday the sun shone brightly as the children paraded across the infant playgrounds showing to all the many parents their EASTER bonnet or hat.

This is always a lovely event and such a great part of our school Easter traditions.



### CAFOD charity

After the holidays I will share with you the amount we have raised for this global charity.

***On behalf of all the staff and myself we wish you all a 'Happy Easter'.***

***Have a wonderful Holiday – Mrs Rigby***

***School Re- Opens: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025***





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## Easter Assemblies and Easter Parade





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## Easter Discos





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## Big Lent Walk

Our whole school community, from the youngest in Nursery to our Year 6 leaders, has enthusiastically embraced CAFOD's Big Lent Walk! We've been out and about, rain or shine, clocking up those kilometers to support this important cause. It's been wonderful to see everyone walking together, showing their commitment to helping those in need around the world. Every step we take makes a difference!





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## Year 5 Easter Assembly



## Anfield Game








After School Clubs	
Monday	Tutoring Y6- Mrs Sillitoe Ball Skills - Y3 and Y4
Tuesday	Tutoring Maths Y6- Mrs Sillitoe Craft Club for KS2- Miss Cornett
Wednesday	Chess Club for Y6- Mr Smith Yoga & Mindfulness- KS2 Around the world / Arabic for Y5 & Y6
Thursday	Y6 Tutoring - C Howard Maths Club for Y4- Miss Sharpes
Friday	Y5 Basketball

PE Days	
R	Tuesday
Year 1	Friday
Year 2	Tuesday
Year 3	Friday
Year 4	Monday
Year 5	Swimming Thursday PE Friday
Year 6	Monday

**Easter Stories: John 12:12-14**  
**Palm Sunday**

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, people put palm leaves on the ground and shouted, 'Hosanna in the highest!'

Shouting 'Hosanna' is a bit like shouting 'Hooray'.

When do you feel like shouting 'Hooray'?

Class prayer time

God our Father,  
through our prayers, words and actions this Lent,  
we share your love with the world.  
Help us to always remember  
how much we are loved by you  
and help us to follow your Son, Jesus.  
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen**

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

**School Family Support Worker**

**Erin Devereaux**



Erin is available to talk privately about any concerns or issues.

**Drop ins every Tuesday at 9:00am**

**Erin Devereaux 07598068682**

[erin.devereaux@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:erin.devereaux@liverpool.gov.uk)

Ask at reception for more details

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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|----------|-------------|
| Bonheur  | Bitanya     |
| Grace    | Princess    |
| Aurelio  | Bissan      |
| Lusiana  | Alesia      |
| JADON    | Abel        |
| Maya     | Miss. Elson |
| Milan    | Ms. Elson   |
| Diborah  | Ms. Jones   |
| Kingston |             |



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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!

Year Group	% Attendance
SHINING STARS - RECEPTION	96.40%
SUPERSTARS - RECEPTION	94.60%
QUICK THINKERS - YEAR 1	94.60%
RECORD BREAKERS - YEAR 1	92.90%
<b>GOLDEN WONDERS - YEAR 2</b>	<b>97.40%</b>
WORLD BEATERS - YEAR 2	97.30%
<b>HEROES - YEAR 3</b>	<b>98.30%</b>
OLYMPIANS - YEAR 3	95.70%
HOTSHOTS - YEAR 4	95.80%
INSPIRATIONS - YEAR 4	95%
HIGH ACHIEVERS - YEAR 5	94.30%
HIGH FLYERS - YEAR 5	86.20%
WHIZZKIDS - YEAR 6	96.30%
CHAMPIONS - YEAR 6	93%
Totals	94.80%

Well done to the **Golden Wonders and Heroes** 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

# EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

## Attendance Ladder



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

when young work and life.

up good habits for people enter into



**Should I keep my child off school?**

**Yes**

Until...

- Chickpox: at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over.
- Diarrhoea and Vomiting: 48 hours after their last episode.
- Cold and Flu like illness: 24 hours after their last symptoms and they are feeling better, unless they have a persistent cough or wheeze or continue to have green or yellow nasal discharge for 10 days.
- Measles: 4 days after the rash first appeared.
- Mumps: 5 days after the swelling started.
- Scarlet: they have had their first episode.
- Scrub typhus: 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics.
- Whooping Cough: 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics.

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

- Head lice
- Head and neck
- Throat issues

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

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

### 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



**ANTI-BULLYING ALLIANCE**

**Anti-bullying information tool**

**FREE interactive online information for parents and carers**

ABA has developed an online anti-bullying information tool for parents and carers. The tool will help parents and carers who are:

- Concerned that their child may be vulnerable to bullying at school
- Worried that their child might be getting bullied
- Aware that their son or daughter is being bullied
- Just wanting to learn more

Parents and carers can follow the sections that are of particular interest to them or browse the whole site.

The site includes information on:

- What bullying is
- Types of bullying
- Fall outs
- Bullying as a group behavior
- What to do if your child is or you think they are being bullied
- How to respond if you think your child is bullying others
- What schools should and must do about bullying
- Bullying and the Police
- Cyberbullying
- Where parents and carers can get further support and advice

**"Simple, effective, informative."**  
(Participants' feedback)

To visit the Information Tool please go to: [www.abainformationtool.com/parental](https://www.abainformationtool.com/parental)

For any questions or issues with the interactive tool, please contact: [aba@ncb.org.uk](mailto:aba@ncb.org.uk)

UNITED AGAINST BULLYING

**Baby sleep patterns**

You might feel that you should help your baby to sleep for longer or through the night. However, it is normal for babies under one to sometimes sleep to wake during the night.

Babies' sleep patterns are different to adults' and change over the first few years.

Young babies will wake frequently to be fed. Night waking can be really hard, so asking for help and making a plan for how to cope can really help.

Encouraging babies to sleep for longer and more deeply for their stage of development may affect their ability to wake up if something is wrong, such as if their mouth and nose become covered. This is a risk of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

**How much do babies sleep?**

**Newborn**  
Your baby may sleep for anywhere between eight to 18 hours a day, but only for two to three hours at a time.

**3-6 months**  
Your baby may sleep for longer periods now as they need fewer night feeds. Some babies may sleep for eight hours or longer at night, but not all will.

**6-12 months**  
Your baby may sleep for up to 12 hours at night but factors like teething, illness or hunger may mean they wake more frequently again.

Around a third of babies will have never slept all night by 12 months. All babies are different and their sleep patterns will change, so try not to compare your baby to others. If you are really worried about your babies' sleep pattern, ask your midwife, health visitor or GP for support.

For more advice on safer sleep for babies visit: [babysleeptrust.org.uk](http://babysleeptrust.org.uk)

**Remember:**  
Sleeping your baby in the same room as you for at least the first six months helps to reduce the risk of SIDS.

This poster was produced with support from Babi: www.babibone.org.uk

**SHADOW PUPPET WORKSHOPS**

**FREE for Children Age 7-13**

**Easter 2025**

**Snacks Provided**

**Limited Spaces. Ages 7-13 only**

For More Info Email: [ArtGroupie@outlook.com](mailto:ArtGroupie@outlook.com)

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WEDS 9TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	NORRIS GREEN
THURS 10TH APRIL	11:30AM - 3PM	SPELLOW
FRI 11TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	SEFTON PARK
SAT 12TH APRIL	AM ONLY - 11AM - 1PM	BIRKENHEAD
MON 14TH APRIL	PM ONLY - 2PM - 4PM	HUYTON
TUES 15TH APRIL	11AM - 12:15PM 12:30PM - 3PM	PRESCOT
WED 16TH APRIL	11AM - 1PM 2PM - 4PM	HALEWOOD
THURS 17TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	FAZAKERLEY
FRI 18TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	GARSTON
SAT 19TH APRIL	11AM - 3PM	ALLERTON
SAT 10TH MAY	FREE FAMILY PUPPET DAY 11AM - 3PM	LIVERPOOL CENTRAL LIBRARY



## Parenting, SEN and other support



March 2025

# Newsletter

FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK  
Talks are 90 minutes long, £24 each - Book Online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)



Schools can now buy a

### FACE School Annual Membership

which means **ALL** parents and **ALL** staff  
get unlimited **FREE** access to **ALL** 16 parent talks

Tuesday  
4th March

10:00 - 11:30

£24



### Improving Family Communication

How to reduce the shouting and  
arguing and start the talking.

Tuesday  
11th March

10:00 - 11:30

£24



### Understanding Anger: Yours and Theirs!

What is anger? Why do we have it?  
How do we manage it in ourselves and  
in our children?

Tuesday  
18th March

19:00 - 20:30

£24



### Anxiety Explained

Anxiety, especially in our young is rising.  
This session explains what it is, why it  
happens and how you can help.

Tuesday  
3rd April

10:00 - 11:30

£24



### Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving  
practical interventions. Clear explanation  
of the condition in all its forms and  
extremely useful advice.



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# ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

## PROTECTING PRIVATE AND PERSONAL INFORMATION ONLINE

ISSUE 2

### PROTECTING YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

In today's digital age, it is more important than ever that children are learning how to protect their personal information online. Remind children that before sharing their information, they should ask themselves the following:

- Do I know this person?
- Is the site secure? (Look for a  in the web browser)
- Am I sharing any private details? (Birthday, school, address)

By following this process, children build a routine that protects their personal information.



### TOP ONLINE SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN:

Help your child build smart online habits with these key tips:

- **Check privacy settings** – Only friends should see their posts.
- **Never share personal details** – No addresses, phone numbers, or school names.
- **Use strong passwords** – Mix letters, numbers, and symbols.
- **Only accept real friends** – Don't add strangers online.
- **Think before posting** – Photos and comments stay online forever.

### APP SPOTLIGHT - INSTAGRAM



This week's app spotlight is Instagram.

Instagram is popular for sharing pictures and videos, but as a parent, it's important to know what to monitor if your child is using it. Without guidance, children could be exposed to harmful content, strangers, or pressure to post things they don't fully understand.

- Instagram requires users to be at least 13.
- Make sure your child's account is set to private.
- Regularly check who is following them; they should only connect with people they know.
- Keep up with what they are posting.

Scan the QR code to learn more:





## Safeguarding & Support



### Safeguarding Team



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

Designated  
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Birch

Co-designated  
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Gordon

Deputy  
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Rigby

Safeguarding  
Team Member



Mrs Reilly

Safeguarding  
Governor



Ms Riley

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**



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### Term Dates 2024 -2025

#### 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



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### Term Dates 2025-2026

#### Autumn Term 2025

Term: Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 19th December

Pupils: Autumn Term ° – Wednesday 3rd September to Wednesday 22nd October

Half term: Thursday 23rd October to Friday 31st October

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 3rd November to Friday 19th December Terms ends:  
Friday 19th December 2025



#### Spring Term 2026

Term: Monday 5th January – Wednesday 1st April

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 5th January to Friday 13th February Half term: Monday  
16th February – Friday 20th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Monday 23rd February to Wednesday 1st April Term ends:  
Wednesday 1st April 2026



#### Summer Term 2026

Term: Monday 13th April to Tuesday 21st July

Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Monday 13th April to Friday 22nd May Half term: Monday 25th  
May to Friday 5th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 8th June to Tuesday 21st July Term Ends: Tuesday 21st July



### Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Monday 1st and 2nd September 2025

Six extended twilight sessions