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Autumn Term, 5th December

A note from Mrs Gordon:

Happy Friday everyone!

A big **thank-you to our amazing Year 3 pupils and staff for such a lovely Advent 1 assembly**. Your hard work and warm reflections really helped us all feel the message of Hope as we lit the first candle on the Advent wreath. A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who came along - your support means so much to us!

Our Book Breakfast on Thursday was such a treat! It was amazing to see so many families pop in to enjoy stories, chats, and tasty pastries together. Thanks to everyone who came along and helped make it such a lovely event! The book fair will continue into next week, after school in the Junior hall, should you want to purchase any last-minute books.

Christmas discos:

Next week we have our Christmas discos until 4:30pm.

Monday - Reception and Infants

Tuesday - Juniors

Tickets cost £1 and include refreshments - this can be paid via the school app. Children should be collected by an adult at their usual end of day exit.

Have a lovely weekend - Mrs Gordon



Upcoming events:

- 8/12 - Y4 Advent Assembly
- 8/12 - Reception & Infant disco (until 4:30)
- 9/12 - Junior disco (until 4:30)
- 11/12 - Christmas Jumper Day
Christmas Dinner Day
- 12/12 - Reception Nativity
- 15/12 - Y5 Advent Assembly
KS2 Xmas Crafts 2:15pm
- 16/12 - Pantomime Visit
- 17/12 - KS1 Xmas Crafts 2:15pm
- 18/12 - Y6 Advent Assembly
- 19/12 - Santa Dash
- 19/12 - Finish for Christmas at 1:30pm

Clubs next week:

Next week, only the clubs below will run. Clubs will resume again in January.

Monday	Chess Club Y5&6
Friday	LFC Games Y4



Panathlon Bowling Champions!

A huge congratulations to our Primary Panathlon 10 Pin Bowling Team!

They scored over 500 points to win **First Place** and are the champions of all the schools in our area! The team also picked up two individual strike awards, and one player was the tournament's overall top scorer.

This incredible victory means the team has qualified for the **Grand Final next year** against regional schools. We are immensely proud!

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Winter HAF programme starts on the 22nd December with plenty of exciting 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 Winter holidays including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, all at no cost. There's a great range of festive and non-festive activities across the city including trips to pantomimes, festive arts, crafts, cards and decoration making, Santa's Grotto, winter wonderland disco, Roller skating disco, rave dance, cheerleading, tumbling, zorbing, nerf battles, circus skills, lego activities, film and jewellery making, basketball, trampolining and ice skating to name but a few!

A meal is included for every child attending.

There is a 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> or by using the QR code 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 - [Quick guide on how to book a HAF session | Eequ Help Centre](#)



- If you are struggling with the cost of living then please go to: <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 Winter 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

Holiday Activities and Food Project Manager

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St Michael's Food Bank

We're really excited to share that we've opened our very own St. Michael's Food Bank to support families who might need a little extra help. It's a simple, friendly space where you can pop in if you need something, and all visits are handled with care and confidentiality. We're also very grateful for any donations of non-perishable food or essentials, which can be dropped off through your child's class or the school office. For opening times, see our school website page below:

<https://stmichaelscatholicprimary.co.uk/parents-and-carers/st-michaels-food-bank/>



Opening Times

Monday -Thursday

8:30-9:00 2:45-3:30

Friday

3:00 - 3:30

City of Sanctuary

Fundraiser

School raised £107.17 from the hot chocolate and cake sale. This money will be doubled by **BigGive** for a total of £214.34! As a school of sanctuary we are all committed to creating a culture of welcome, understanding and belonging for those forced to flee. Thank you for your continued support. A big shout out to the Mini Vinnies for their help on the day.

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Weekly Attendance:

R Shining Stars	96%
R Superstars	95.2%
Y1 Quick Thinkers	95.3%
Y1 Record Breakers	91.0%
Y2 Golden Wonder	94.35%
Y2 World Beaters	93.8%

Y3 Heroes	97.7%
Y3 Olympians	100%
Y4 Hotshots	95.3%
Y4 Inspirations	96%
Y5 High Achievers	96.6%
Y5 High Flyers	95.9%
Y6 Whizz Kids	93%
Y6 Champions	95.2%

Attendance Ladder



Safeguarding:



Mrs Birch

Safeguarding Lead



Miss Sillitoe

Safeguarding Team Member



Mrs Gordon

Headteacher
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Jeanette Riley

Safeguarding Governor



Sarah Reilly

Co-Designated Safeguarding Lead

If you have any concerns or questions, please speak to a member of the team

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Save the date:

Autumn term 2 dates – 2025/2026

Date	Activity/Event	Time and Location
Tuesday 4 th November	Flu vaccinations	During school day
Thursday 20 th November	Parents' Evening	3:30pm – 6:30pm
Monday 1 st December until Monday 8 th December	Book Fair	3:30pm – 3:50pm in Junior Hall – card payments only
Monday 1 st December	Year 3 Advent One Assembly	9:15am in Junior hall
Thursday 4 th December	Whole-school Book Breakfast	8:15am in Junior hall
Monday 8 th December	Year 4 Advent Two Assembly	9:15am in Junior hall
	KS1 and Reception disco	After school until 4:30pm in Infant hall
Tuesday 9 th December	KS2 disco	After school until 4:30pm in Junior Hall
Wednesday 10 th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity	9:15am in Junior hall
Thursday 11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Day EYFS & KS1 Father Christmas visit	During school day
Friday 12 th December	Reception Nativity	9:15am in Infant hall
Monday 15 th December	Year 5 Advent Three Assembly	9:15am in Junior hall
	KS2 Christmas Craft workshop	2:15pm in Infant hall
Tuesday 16 th December	Whole-school Pantomime visit No afternoon nursery on this day	1:15pm at Echo Arena, returning to school around 4:15pm (time tbc)
Wednesday 17 th December	KS1 and Reception Christmas Craft Workshop	2:15pm in Infant hall
Thursday 18 th December	Year 6 Advent 4 and Nativity	9:15am in Junior hall
Friday 19 th December	Finish for Christmas Holidays	1:30pm

Please note the change in date for the Pantomime. This will now be on the afternoon of **Tuesday 16th December**.

[Click HERE to give permission and pay](#)



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Term Dates 2025-2026

Autumn Term 2025 Term: Wednesday 3rd September–Friday 19th December

- **Pupils: Autumn Term 1** – 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