

Weekly Newsletter

FRIDAY 1st MARCH 2024



Latest News

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we said goodbye and good luck to Mrs Murphy and Miss McCann, who have both started their maternity leaves in preparation for new arrivals due later this month.



Miss Gilmore will join Mr England in teaching Year 4 for the rest of this year.



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Liverpool Schools Parliament Here are our Head Pupils representing Knotty Ash at the Town Hall. They've got some work to do gathering views about mental health before their next meeting when they'll contribute to a city strategy.

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Survey about Youth Services in Liverpool

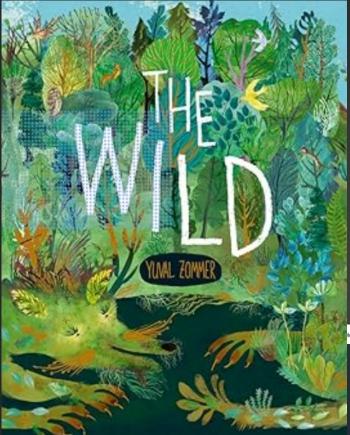
The National Youth Agency and Liverpool City Council are keen to find out your views on the activities and support available for young people in Liverpool. Your feedback is important to us as we want to make sure we are providing the services and support you need. The survey will take no

longer than 10 minutes to answer (we've timed it). We won't be able to tell who you are from the questions, so please answer honestly. You do not have to answer anything you don't want to. We'll use the results to inform the future of youth work and play provision in Liverpool.

Complete the young people's survey by click here



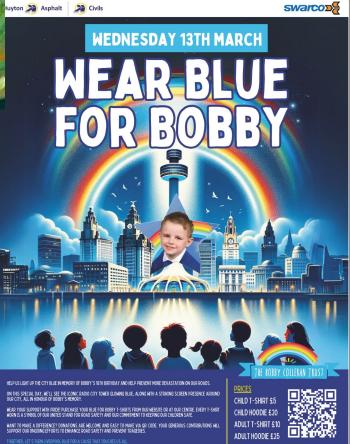
Themed Days coming up...



World Book Day 2024 is on Thursday 7th March. We're doing something different this year and all the children will be Reading the beautiful book 'The 'Wild'. We're asked them to wear something green in celebration of the environmental theme.

On Wednesday 13th March, we'll be joining other Liverpool Schools in <u>Wear Blue for Bobby Day</u>, when we'll be thinking about road safety issues around school. We'll be asking all the children to wear something blue.

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Online Safety Competition

Don't forget about our competition to

WRITE A SHORT STORY ABOUT DIGITAL DAN AND/OR DIGITAL DONNA

Winners will receive a prize and be compiled into a KA e-safety book!



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Zero ood Waste

... is a scheme to save food from landfill. It's not a Food Bank, but you can help save the planet and save money by taking home free food! There are events every day.

No booking required

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

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Springwood Avenue, L19 4TX

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Warm Hub

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SATURDAY EVENTS

St Hilda's Church, Stuart Avenue, L25 ONG

Elm Hall Drive Methodist Church, Elm Hall Drive, L18 1LF

Church of the Holy Spirit, East Prescot Road,

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St Hilda's Church Stuart Avenue, L25 ONG

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We collect Zero Food Waste on Thurs and Fri, but recently, there hasn't been enough to offer out to families. As soon as we get more, we'll text out and let you know.







This week in Nursery we have still been learning all about Space. Lots of children have been making space rockets at home and have brought them in to show the other children and display in our classroom they are amazing and all so different. We went outside and all had a go with our rocket launcher. We were seeing how high we could make the rocket go up in the air. We changed our techniques to make the rocket fly higher.

We have still been acting out the story of Whatever Next and we have been putting pictures in order and retelling the story.

It was Sky's birthday at the weekend so we celebrated on Monday. She is a big 4 years old!

In Forest School this week we had fun playing in the mud kitchen, we did lots of climbing and hiding and we enjoyed playing Hide and Seek. We got very muddy!

In PE we practised our beanbag skills - throwing, balancing and travelling with a bean bag.

We had a new dinosaur area outside which we enjoyed playing in and Mrs Blower drew a chalk road! We pushed all the cars along it.

Our sound this week was F as in flower and we did some dough disco to practise our fine motor skills.

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On Fridays we love looking through all the pictures of ourselves on Seesaw of all the exciting things we have been doing at home and in nursery during the week .

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This week, Reception have started our new topic of 'Traditional Tales' with the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We got to play with porridge in the tuft trays outside and inside where lots of mess was made 🕥 We also got to make porridge and try it with different flavours added such as jam, honey and some sultanas.

During a P4C session, we talked about whether Goldilocks would make a good friend or not and why. The children were really good at saying why and they made a vote!

In phonics we have done the sounds 'sh as in ship' and 'th as in this thumb'. In maths, we have been doing more about measure. We have started to learn about weight using the words 'heavy' and 'light'.

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Thank you for another lovely week Reception 🚱

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What have we been learning? Year 1



This week Year 1 have looked at instructions in English. We've focused on imperative verbs (bossy verbs) to use at the start of each command ready for our writing at the end of the week. The children have looked at how to safely cross the road and this is what they've written their instructions about. In Maths, we've finished our topic on place value within 20. This week the children continued to use a number line and to estimate. The children have also compared and ordered numbers to 20. In Art, they have explored primary and secondary colours. The children enjoyed exploring mixing primary colours to make secondary colours using watercolours and poster paints. In Science, we've started our topics of materials. The children explored different objects that are made of different materials. It's been a lovely week in Year 1.

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Year 2 began the week with a very wet and muddy forest school session. The children really enjoyed making dens and playing in the mud kitchen.

In English, the children have been looking at the story 'Girl and Robot'. The writing this week has been amazing! The have been writing lists, letters and diary entries. The children can't wait to show off their work in our next parents evening!

In Maths this week we have been looking at length and height and looked at centimetres and meters. They enjoyed measuring different things about our classroom with a 30cm ruler and then we measured different areas about the school with a meter wheel.

The children have enjoyed learning all about George Stephenson this week and the development of the train through time. In Art, we have got messy with the paints and explored the colour wheel and colour mixing!

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What have we been learning? Year 3





Another busy week in Year 3. We have been learning about stories with a familiar setting in English this week with a story called, Not like that, like this! We split the text into a beginning, middle and end. In Maths the children have been practising their right times table and learning about equivalent measurements. They can now use metres, centimetres and millimetres to measure things. In a Music the children have been learning how to play the glockenspiels. In PE we got our 💞 beating with some jogging, skipping, bear walks and crabs. As always, we finished off with our favourite: Gloria Estefan's conga back to class.

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What have we been learning?



It's been a busy week in Year 4. We started the week in forest school where the children enjoyed making dens. The children also loved pretending to be chefs and making different recipes. In English, we have started looking at the book 'War in the Wilderness'. Firstly, we read the first 5 chapters then we predicted what the story would be about. We had to use expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials and similes in our writing. Later on in the week, we wrote some facts about the characters and ordered the main events of the chapters in chronological order. In Maths, we have been looking at how division and multiplication relates to one another. We have also been focusing on different written methods to help us solve multiplication and division calculations such as breaking up numbers into hundreds, tens and ones as well as working things out on a number line. In History, we started looking at invaders and settlers. We discussed what this key terminology meant and the difference between the two. We also put in chronological order on a timeline The Celts, The Romans, The Vikings, The Anglo-Saxons and The Normans. Furthermore, we learnt what BCE and CE meant. In PE, the children looked at throwing and receiving the ball in the different ways. This was while working and moving in a team. In Spanish the children practiced saying different greetings and in BSL the children practiced simple conversations with one another.

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What have we been learning?



This week, Year 5 have been very busy! It always seems to be a hive of activity! We began the week with a wonderful art lesson! Before we move further into Alma Thomas's style of art, we explored primary, secondary and tertiary colours! It also led us on to exploring complimentary colours, which are also known as contrasting colours, that can be used to push the boundaries of our art and can be used together to make art more vivid - how very exciting! In maths, we explored a wide range of equivalent fractions and the children have demonstrated a good developing understanding of ways to find fractions that are equal! In English, we delved deeper into animal farm! We've made it to chapter 5! We took time to explore the inspiring Battle of the Cowshed retelling it through pictures, sentences and diaries! We are going to attempt to act it out too! In science, we explored types of friction, such as air resistance and water resistance and used our knowledge of this to design and make a balloon buggy: what fun!

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What have we been learning? Year 6



Thankfully, it's not been purely Maths and English SATs prep this week in our class. We have had opportunities to study other things as well. We've had a good look at the American artist Alma Thomas, who was the first black woman to have a solo show in New York. Despite her early upbringing in Georgia (as well as in later life of course) being marred by racist segregation laws, she made a conscious decision to focus on positivity. This is why her paintings are so colourful and full of life. We had a go at replicating her particular style ourselves when we created something that brings us joy in our sketch books. At the time of writing I am just returned from a football tournament at the Tiber Street Hub. It was such a treat to be able to drive there in our own brand-new minibus, with the boys dressed in a brand-new kit. Knotty Ash cut quite the dash, it has to be said! Also, the children all enjoyed constructing 3D shape nets, their Spanish, BSL and Computing and lots more besides. Have a great weekend everyone!

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What have we been learning? DRB 1



This week in Language, we have started a new topic on how to make a robot. We've watched a short clip about a girl with a robot and then talked about what happened in each scene. We have also been busy in maths, working together as a group to find different ways of making 5 and 10 using numicon.

For Science, we have been looking at materials and sorting objects into two groups 'metal and not metal'. We found lots of things around the classroom to help us with our experiment.

We have also enjoyed doing some art this week, looking at primary and secondary colours. We then explored and mixed paints together to create new colours to add into our sketch books.

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What have we been learning?

DRB 2

We have had a busy but fun week in Junior DRB. In English, we have been consolidating our knowledge and using our skills to write paragraphs: It's been challenging but fun! In maths we have been challenging ourselves to recall our timetables as fast as possible. We are delighted to have Ann back in school! We shared our knowledge of the Shang Dynasty with Ann and enjoyed learning more about their culture and history. Next week we're visiting Chinatown, we can't wait! This week was the last session at Bright Park. We are so sad that we won't be going over there each week anymore. The last session really highlighted how much, as a group, we've progressed. We used our teamwork skills to create and follow a map as well as giving safety tips about using a hammer. We are most grateful to the staff at Bright Park and we hope we will have the opportunity to visit again.

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Message for parents and guardians of children from the Director of Public Health Professor Matthew Ashton

Have you heard the news about measles? There is a large outbreak of measles around Birmingham. Many children have been admitted to hospital. It is likely that measles could spread to Liverpool.

Measles is a nasty infection and can make you very sick if you catch it. It starts with a high temperature and a cold with red eyes. Then you get a measles rash that spreads from your face to the rest of your body.

It is very easy to catch if you are not vaccinated. It spreads through coughs and sneezes.

Measles can be very serious for some people. It can cause pneumonia, encephalitis (brain infections) and sometimes even death.

How to protect yourself and your children from measles:

The MMR vaccine prevents measles. It is very safe. You need 2 doses to protect you for life.

All children are offered the MMR vaccine. It is free on the NHS.

If your child has missed any vaccine, book an appointment at your GP practice. Check your child's Red Book if you are not sure or ask the GP practice.

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It is never too late to catch up if you have missed a vaccine.

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For more information, visit: <u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/</u>



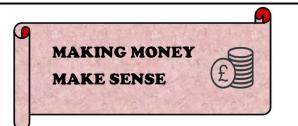
Packed Lunches

It can be difficult to know what to put in your child's lunchbox, but we have noticed that some children are bringing a lot of sugary items every day. For ideas and guidance, these websites are useful:

<u>60 kids' lunchbox recipes | BBC Good Food</u> <u>School packed lunch inspiration | BBC Good Food</u> <u>Healthy packed lunches - British Nutrition Foundation</u>



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Do you need help or advice with:

Money management
Budgeting
Banks/credit options
Housing

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Maximising income Welfare benefits Energy efficiency

We can offer advice and support that is free, independent and confidential.



will be at Knotty Ash Community Hub Tuesday afternoon—1.00 —3.00 pm Wednesday morning 9.30—11.30 am Please contact Ruth Carson on 2284222 to make an appointment or complete a Googlform https://forms.gle/ cbwKstUAtnk15F3M7



If you are on means-tested benefits, you may be eligible for the Social Tariff, which can work out at about £12.00 a month. Most of the big providers have signed up to this, if your provider does not, then change to another company.

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Term Dates and Events

Thurs 7th March	World Book Day (wear something green)	
Fri 8th March	Junior DRB trip to Chinatown	
Wed 13th March	Wear Blue for Bobby Day	
Fri 15th March	Red Nose Day	
18th—22nd March	Parent-Teacher meetings	
Thurs 21st March	KS1&2 DRB Bowling competition	
Thurs 28th March	2pm End of Term	
29th March—12th April	EASTER HOLIDAY	





Family Activities & Support

The latest edition of the Liverpool Parenting Newsletter is here.

www.allabout-family.co.uk/liverpool

You will find new information about local support available for families and children in Liverpool, along with information regarding events and activities on offer running from March to May 2023.

We have also been sent information about Family Learning and Engagement Courses run by LCC Adult Learning Service. This can be found on our school website, link here:

https://knotty-ash-primary-school.secure-primarysite.net/family-informationand-support/

For families in receipt of benefits related free school meals, there are a variety of activities over the Summer break, all of which are free and include a meal:

https://merseyplay.com/summer-haf-holiday-activities-food-2023/

Locally, St John's Church offer a range of community groups and activities for families:

https://www.stjohnsknottyash.org/our-community

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There's also a range of groups and activities available at Yew Tree Children's Centre for parents whose children are 0-5 years.

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https://liverpool.gov.uk/children-and-families/early-years-and-childcare/ childrens-centres/yew-tree-childrens-centre/



HOUSING ADVICE OUTREACH

We can help with: disrepair, evictions, homelessness applications, landlord harassment, Property Pool Plus, rent increases and more

Location	When?	Time?
Joseph Lappin Centre (L13 5SH)	Mondays fortnightly from 4th January 2024	12pm – 3pm
Granby Toxteth Development Trust (L8 00F)	Every Tuesday	10am – 4pm
Our House, Walton (L4 6XB)	Tuesdays Fortnightly from 9th January 2024	10am - 2pm
Speke Children's Centre (L24 0TW)	Every Wednesday from 3rd January 2024	10am-2pm
Anfield Children's Centre (L4 20G)	Every Thursday	10am - 12:30pm
Liverpool Arabic Centre (L8 OTP). For Arabic speakers. translator provided	Every Thursday	10am - 1pm
Sahir House (L2 2AH)	Third Thursday of every month	1pm – 4pm
Everton Community Shop (L4 4AJ)	Last Friday of every month	10am - 12:30pm
The Brink (L1 4JN)	Every Friday	10am – 2pm

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Is my child too ill for school?



It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school or nurserywhen they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about <u>managing specific infectious diseases at</u> <u>GOV.UK</u>. These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or nursery on the first day. Let them know that your child won't be in and give them the reason.

If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, let their teacher know.

Other illnesses Follow this advice for other illnesses:

Coughs and colds

It's fine to send your child to school with a minor <u>cough</u> or <u>common cold</u>. But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes.

Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly.

High temperature

If your child has a high temperature, keep them off school until it goes away.

Chickenpox

If your child has <u>chickenpox</u>, keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over.

This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

Cold sores

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have a <u>cold sore</u>.

Encourage them not to touch the blister or to share things like cups and towels.

Conjunctivitis

You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis.

Get advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.

COVID-19

If your child has mild symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, and feels well enough, they can go to school. Your child should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have <u>symptoms of COVID-19</u> and they either:

• have a high temperature

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• do not feel well enough to go to school or do their normal activities

Ear infection

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If your child has an <u>ear infection</u> and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away.

Hand, foot and mouth disease

If your child has <u>hand, foot and mouth disease</u> but seems well enough, there's no need to keep them off school. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.

Head lice and nits

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice but tie hair back. You can treat <u>head lice and nits</u> without seeing a GP.

Impetigo

If your child has <u>impetigo</u>, they'll need treatment from a GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment.

Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly and not to share things like towels and cups .

Ringworm

If your child has <u>ringworm</u>, see your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

Scarlet fever

If your child has <u>scarlet fever</u>, they'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks.

Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

Slapped cheek syndrome (fifth disease)

You don't need to keep your child off school if they have <u>slapped cheek syndrome</u> because, once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious.

But let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.

Sore throat

You can still send your child to school if they have a <u>sore throat</u>. But if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away.

A sore throat and a high temperature can be symptoms of tonsillitis.

Threadworms

You don't need to keep your child off school if they have threadworms.

Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend a treatment.

Vomiting and diarrhoea

Children with <u>diarrhoea or vomiting</u> should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).



https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

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