

Weekly Newsletter

FRIDAY 7th JUNE 2024

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Latest News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school for the last half-term of this academic year. On the next page are key dates and events for the rest of term. More details will follow about each one nearer to the dates.



This week has been super-arty for Year 5! On Wednesday, three children—Ethan, Darcie and Kaiden—attended an awards event for the Dot Art competition. They had been selected by judges as school finalists and after online voting, Ethan's work was selected to be hung in the Dot Art exhibition in the Walker Art Gallery!

Then on Friday, all of Year 5 had their artwork featured in a class gallery, to which parents/carers were invited. The gallery was made up of all the children's pictures inspired by the artist Alma Thomas. Pictures to follow next week, but well done to everyone! Thanks as well to Mr Hall, Mrs Rees and Mrs Petyt for transforming the classroom into a classy gallery! And, of course, a special mention to Thomas for inventing the Tomosa mocktail being served at the event!

How fantastic!

Happy weekend everyone, Miss CB x





Term Dates and Events

3rd-14th June Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

10th-14th June Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Fri 14th June Reception Class Assembly—parents/carers invited!

Mon 17th June World Ocean Day—everyone wear BLUE!

Thurs 20th June Nursery Class Assembly—parents/carers invited!

24th—28th June Houses Week

Tues 2nd July Sports Day—KS2 morning; KS1 & EYFS afternoon

Wed 3rd July Y6 transition day to high schools

Thurs 4th July SCHOOL CLOSURE FOR POLLING DAY

Fri 12th July Movie theme day—dress up as your favourite film

character!

Fri 12th July KNOTTYASHTONBURY—join us from 4pm!

Tues 16th July Y6 Leavers' Play & Awards Night 5-7pm

Thurs 18th July Y1 & Y2 Class Assembly—parents/carers invited!

Fri 19th July Talent show morning

Fri 19th July Term ends 2pm



Remembering D-Day















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What have we been learning? Nursery













This week in nursery we are starting a new topic on holidays. We have a new interest table with lots of different shaped shells and a tough tray full of ocean creatures - ready for world ocean day next week. We drew pictures and wrote about some of the amazing places we visited over half term- near and far and we have marked them all on a world map and a Uk map. In maths we have been finding out about heavy and light objects, comparing the weight using our hands and then using the weighing scales. We have been using vocabulary such as heavier and lighter. We have been learning lots of songs for our nursery assembly and learning how to sign them using BSL. In PE we played some fun games with the bean bags seeing how many times we could throw them on the mats. we had lots of fun outside making cars and buses to go on our holidays.







Year 1 have had a brilliant first week back after half term. They've been working hard towards their Phonics Screening Check next week. In English, the children have been looking at nouns and adjectives to help with writing a description of the Amazon Rainforest. In Maths, the children have started their unit of multiplication by learning to count in 2s, 5s and 10s. In Geography, the children learnt about the continents and labelled them on a world map. The children really enjoyed creating their own rainforest in Art using all of the knowledge they have learnt to decide what they will put in their Amazon Rainforest. In Music, the children had the opportunity to use the glockenspiels which they thoroughly enjoyed. It's been a lovely first week back!













In English this week the children have been looking at expanded noun phrases. They then had a go at writing their own story about a Bee, using expanded noun phrases. As well as writing stories, the children have spent a lot of this week learning facts about bees!

In maths lessons the children have been multiplying and dividing by ten! We have used different mathematical apparatus and strategies to work out the answer!

We had a lovely music lesson this week, listening for the rhythm and beat of the song we were singing. The children had a go at following the beat with different types of instruments.





Year 3















Another busy week in Year 3. The children have worked extremely hard in all subjects. In English they have looked at subordinate clauses in Grammar and begun their text; There's a Rang Tan in my bedroom. They were understandably worried about the lack of Forest in Borneo for the orangutans to live in. There posters aimed at stopping deforestation were spectacularly colourful and hard hitting. In Maths they have continued working on their recall of multiplication tables and have looked at faces, edges and vertices in 3D shapes. We also have a class who are fabulous at weaving their own designs using wool.









Year 4 have had a great first week back from half term! We have loved starting our new topic on rainforests and deforestation based around the book and advert 'there's a rangtan in my bedroom'. We used it to explore how deforestation and palm oil production is affecting orangutans, producing our own persuasive posters and orangutan fact files.

In science we started our new topic of classification, working really well in groups to classify animals based on their features. In PE we have been focusing on developing our coordination skills for catching as well as practicing our dance moves through our movement breaks.

We have also continued to work hard practicing our times tables and enjoyed creating a timetable domino chain as a whole class!













It has been a lovely week in Year 5 and it has been great to see everyone after a week off. We have been working very hard in Maths. Before half term, we explored multiplying and dividing. Now we have moved on to multiplying fractions which has been really fun. The class have made so much progress when working with fractions and have even been able to multiply mixed number fractions by a whole number too! It has been a real good challenge for us all! We have also had our fair share of athletics training with Mr England too. Some of the children from our class will be travelling with Mr England to Wavertree next Wednesday to compete against other schools! It's very exciting! In reading, we finished of our analysis of I've got a dream from tangled which has some very challenging and interesting vocabulary. We also recapped on conjunctions and clauses in writing. On Friday, we spent the morning researching the history of telephones on laptops which the class found really interesting! They found it hard to believe that most adults all grew up with no mobiles!



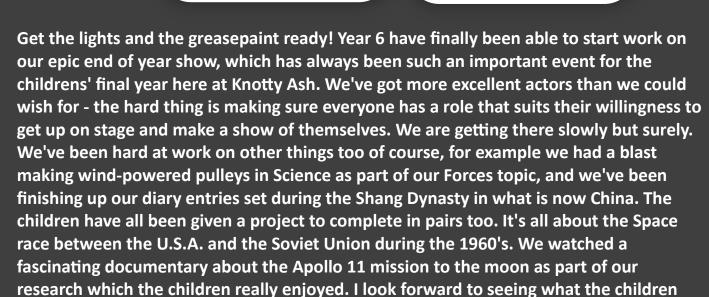




Year 6







produce once they've collected all of the research and written and arranged everything.

Have a lovely weekend everybody!





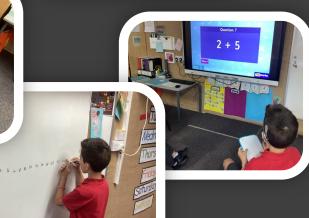
DRB 1













It has been a busy first week back in infant DRB after the half-term break! We kicked off the week by starting to look at a new topic book in Language called 'A Place for Plastic,' which follows the journey of a single-use plastic bag through the ocean. This engaging story is helping our class understand the impact of plastic on the environment. In Maths, we have been polishing up our addition and subtraction skills. In P.E, we practiced our bowling and batting skills in preparation for our cricket tournament next week. On Thursday, we had a wonderful morning celebrating the 80th anniversary of D-Day. The children showcased their creativity by drawing and painting fantastic Spitfire planes.













It was lovely to see Junior DRB back in school after a relaxing half term break. On Monday morning, the children took turns in sharing their news and showing photographs that had been uploaded to Seesaw - it seems everyone had lots of fun! Over half term, Luke had surgery to have a second Cochlear Implant so he did not return to school on Monday — all being well, he will be back with us next week. The children were most concerned and made him each a 'get well soon' card.

In English, some children have been following the story 'Buddy's Rainforest Rescue'. They have spent time learning new vocabulary, role playing the story and ordering main events. This week, their learning has moved onto writing sentences about the story. William, Greg, Mason and Vinny used their visual dictionary to write some lovely noun/verb sentences.

On Thursday, Year 5 and 6 enjoyed participating in athletics activities with Mr England. They all came in worn out but saying they had the best time!

The most important thing that came out of this week was commemorating the 80th anniversary of D-Day, 6 June 1944. Miss CB led an assembly highlighting the importance of British, American, Canadian and French troops landing along the coastline of Normandy to begin the liberation of Western Europe. Throughout the day, children and staff sang and signed war time songs written by Dame Vera Lynn.



Online Safety

At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one platform of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.















Liverpool One ChessFest 2024







Starts at 11am on Sunday 21st July at Chevasse Park, no need to book, no need to bring your own set

- Chess coaching
- Casual games
- Grandmaster simul displays
- Topple the King Demonstration
- Blitz tournament
- Giant chess sets



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Zero Food 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.



MONDAYS

1.00pm

Don't forget

bag!!

The Church of the Holy

Spirit, East Prescot Road,

















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.



Surplus frozen

Nandos

and KFC!

Nando's



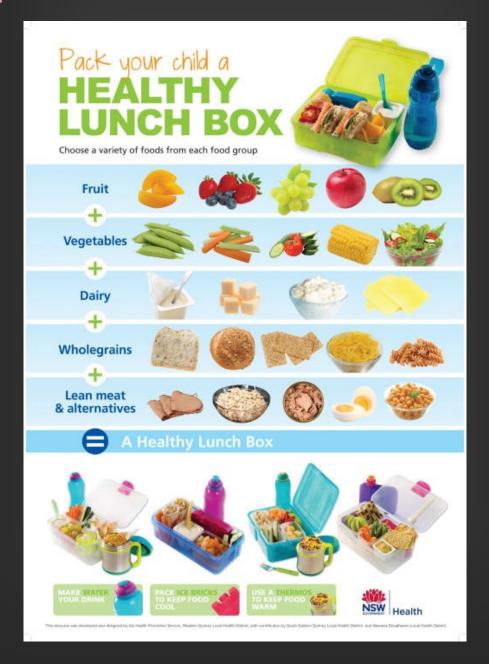
Packed Lunches

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:

60 kids' lunchbox recipes | BBC Good Food

School packed lunch inspiration | BBC Good Food

Healthy packed lunches - British Nutrition Foundation







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-information-and-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

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

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



Measles

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.

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

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







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 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 symptoms of COVID-19 and they either:

- have a high temperature
- do not feel well enough to go to school or do their normal activities

Ear infection

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 hand, foot and mouth disease 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 impetigo, 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/

