

# Weekly Newsletter

## Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026

### Head of School's Weekly Roundup

What an amazing week it has been at Knotty Ash Primary! My highlights this week have included our triumphant Boccia team attending a competition on Monday and returning as champions. A huge well done to all of the children and staff involved in this fantastic achievement.

On Tuesday, we hosted a very successful Movie Night, which was extremely well attended by the children. I hope everyone who came along enjoyed the evening, especially our Year 6 pupils, who were treated to the full VIP experience!

A big thank you also goes to all of our Reception parents and carers who attended their special Stay and Play sessions this week. The children and staff have worked incredibly hard to learn their songs and prepare their performance, and we hope you enjoyed sharing this special experience with them.

Wednesday was packed with excitement as the children took part in circus workshops throughout the day. If their circus skills are anything to go by, we certainly have some budding performers in our school! I hope all of the children thoroughly enjoyed this unique activity. Also on Wednesday, our DRB pupils enjoyed a trip on a steam train and, from everything I have heard, the children and staff had a truly magical time.

Today marks the end of our Houses Week. A special thank you to all of the staff, children and families who helped make this week such a memorable one. It has been wonderful to see so much enthusiasm, teamwork and school spirit on display. Thank you for helping to create such fantastic experiences for our children. We look forward to sharing more exciting events with you in the weeks ahead.

Finally, this will be my last newsletter of this academic year, and my final newsletter to you as Head of School. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for their support. Your encouragement, kindness and partnership have been greatly appreciated and have helped make this year such a successful one for our children.

It has been a genuine honour and privilege to lead Knotty Ash Primary School. Who would have thought, when I sat in these classrooms as a pupil myself, that one day I would have the opportunity to one day be head? It is a role that I have been incredibly proud to undertake, and I am grateful for the trust and support shown to me by our wonderful school community.

I would like to wish all of our children, families and staff a relaxing and enjoyable break, whatever you have planned over the coming weeks. Thank you once again for your continued support, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting year ahead.

Have a wonderful summer!

**Mr. England, Head of School**



### Attendance Snapshot

**Whole school attendance this week: 95.69%**

**Best performing class: Reception: 98.96%**

**Minutes late across whole school: 568 learning minutes lost**

A reminder that if your child is going to absent from school, you must ring the school office before 9am. If you fail to do so our office staff will attempt to contact you to understand the reason for absence. Every child must be accounted for, every day.

**We aim as a school for every child to achieve 97% attendance or above for a school year, which means no more than 5 days off across the entire year.**



### Calendar Dates

- 14 July** Y6 Leavers Assembly - 5.30pm
- 14 July** Teacher v Y6 Rounders
- 16 July** Y6 Water Fight
- 17 July** Summer Term ends - 1.30pm

### Goodbye to Mrs Rees

After eight years of dedicated service, Mrs Rees left Knotty Ash Primary School last week to embark on an exciting new career challenge. During her time with us, she made an enormous contribution to school life, taking on a wide variety of roles—many of which were unseen by parents but invaluable to the smooth running of our school. Her tireless energy, commitment and unwavering dedication to both the children and the wider school community will be greatly missed. Whilst we are sad to see her go, we are incredibly grateful for everything she has done and wish her every success in this next chapter of her career. We hope Mrs Rees will remain a frequent visitor and pop back to see us from time to time. Thank you, Mrs Rees, and good luck for the future!



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### Focus on: Charity Day for Cure EB

#### Overview by Mr England

What a fantastic day yesterday was! From start to finish, it was fun-filled, exciting and had a little bit of everything.

The day began with our children taking part in their sponsored World Cup Walk Challenge. The weather was certainly determined to work against us as temperatures continued to rise throughout the morning. However, we did our best to keep everyone cool by setting up a "cooling station" – or, in other words, bringing out the hosepipe and water guns! This certainly helped to keep the children smiling and in good spirits. Whilst safety had to come first and we were unable to complete the full 30 laps due to the heat, this did not dampen anyone's enthusiasm or enjoyment.

We then headed inside for our raffle draw. The excitement in the hall was palpable as the children sat clutching their tickets, eagerly awaiting the results. We had some very lucky winners, and we hope everyone enjoyed their prizes. For those who were not successful this time, we hope the excitement of taking part helped ease any disappointment.

In the afternoon, the fun continued as the children gathered outside for a celebration playtime. The field and playground were filled with activities, laughter and smiles, creating the perfect atmosphere. Children enjoyed having their faces painted, spending time with friends and receiving snacks and drinks as part of the festivities. The sound of laughter, excitement and pure joy echoed around the school – the perfect sounds for any teacher to hear.

The icing on the cake came when we heard the incredible total raised for Cure EB. It was the perfect ending to a truly wonderful day. Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraising efforts and helped make the day such a memorable success for our children. Together, we have made a real difference.

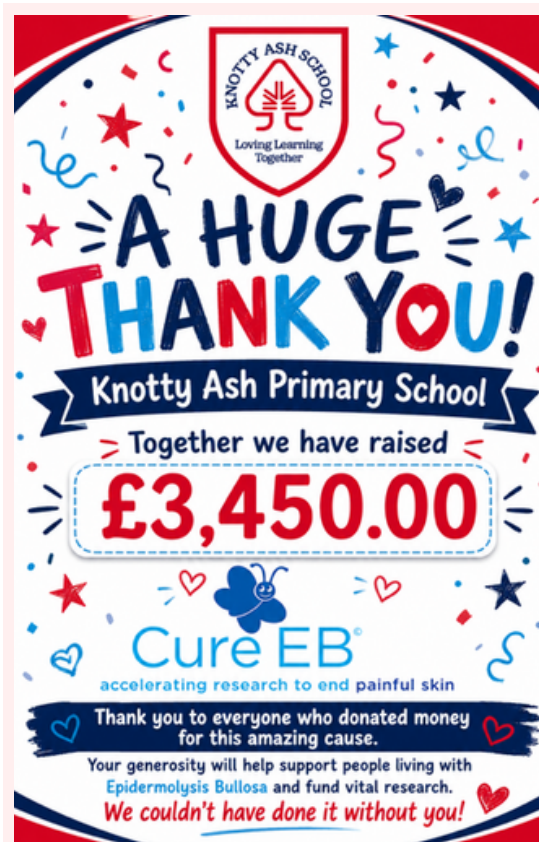


### Raffle Prizes

A huge thank you to the following companies for supporting our raffle:

Knowsley Safari Park  
Stalker's Boxing Gym  
The Beatles Story  
Frederick's  
The Royal Court  
Skaus  
MGL  
Avantis Education

Also a huge thank you to the people and families that donated prizes & experiences. Finally, thank you to Ann Kenwright for her time and efforts in sending out so many letters to so many different companies - you're a star!



### LSSP Summer Camp

Places still available for Summer camp, please use the QR code below to book:



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### MULTI ACTIVITY SUMMER CAMP

20<sup>th</sup> July - 14<sup>th</sup> August  
(excluding weekends)

Knotty Ash Primary School  
Liverpool, L14 5NX

10am - 2pm each day  
\*£15 per day | 5 - 11 years  
\*Eligible children go FREE!

Breakfast and lunch included!



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