



Christian Value - Our Christian Value this half term is Justice

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all the wonderful donations for our Christmas Raffle. All donations will be used to make up the hampers. There are now no more 'Non-Uniform' days on Fridays for this term.

Don't forget you can still purchase tickets on the school door before and after school until Friday 5th December. If you wish, you can also send the money in a envelope with your child's name and class. We will then send the tickets home to you.

On Monday, Children can come to school if they are in the Blue team in Blue Clothes for St Andrews Day.

On Thursday 18th December, we will be having our Christmas Dinner, this will be the only option for a meal on this day and if it has not been pre-booked via ParentPay then a packed lunch will need to be provided.

As we have had to update the Dinner choice for this date, anyone who may have pre-booked dinners in advance will need to rebook for this date.

We have so many fun Christmas activities planned for the coming weeks.

Next week we have a Christmas show from Btales to start our celebrations. Looking at the reason we celebrate Christmas and sharing the theme of Hope and Love.

The KS1 children have been busy preparing for their Nativity on Sunday 7th December in Church. We can't wait to share it with you all.

Have a great weekend

Miss Roberts,
Interim Headteacher

TriKids

On Wednesday 3rd December, we have arranged for TriKidz to visit and work with Years 4, 5 and 6. TriKidz is a participation-based triathlon project designed for primary school children, giving them the opportunity to experience a range of triathlon-inspired activities.

Please note that the children will be using resistance bands to simulate swimming.
All children in these year groups should come to school wearing their P.E. kits.

Y3 Multi-Skills

Y3 Multi-skills will be CANCELLED on Monday 1st December.

Ecumenical Service

On Tuesday 9th December the Ecumenical Service will take place at Holy Family church at 7:00pm. If the children who are in the Choir or involved with the service can arrive at 6:50pm. **(Apologies that the letter issued stated 7:30pm, this is an error).**

Please note, the Christmas Tree switch on is 6:30pm at the Cenotaph if anyone wishes to attend.

Liverpool Cross Country Challenge

A massive well done to the two children from Y6 and Y5 who represented Knowsley in the Liverpool Cross Country Challenge race at Sefton Park last weekend. We are incredibly proud of their determination, resilience and outstanding achievement.



LFC tournament victory.

Children from Year 5 and 6 represented the school this week in a 5 a side football tournament held at Liverpool FC Academy.

The boys had an amazing time and represented themselves and the school amazingly.

They put in amazing effort during a difficult group stages and then won both the quarter and semi finals well. They also showed great resistance in the final to beat the team who had beaten us earlier in the day in the groups.

Everyone loved winning our first football competition with this group of players and the school is very proud of their amazing achievement.



Mrs Templeton had been working with a group of students this term during lunch time. They have been really busy making goods for their charity - Widnes Food Bank.

The children will be coming round to each classroom selling these items next week during the school day on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and would love your support.

It would really help if you could possibly have change, no notes.

All Bracelets 50p each

2026 Christmas calendars £1.00 each

Christmas gift packs £1.00 each

School Attendance Poster

As part of our commitment to improve school attendance (we are below Regional and National average)

Following an Attendance assembly, we launched a poster competition. We had lots of fabulous entries, it was really hard to choose just one.

Congratulations to Toby and Heidi. They received a special gift and will have their poster displayed within school.

Tuition

We have been asked by some parents about Outside Tuition. We have posted a flyer at the end of the Newsletter.

Some of you may know Mrs Mooney, who was an outstanding teacher at our school for many years. She has some places available for some group tuition if you are interested.

Please note this is only for interested parties only.

Christmas Fundraising.

For our Christmas fundraising this year, we will be having a few days with different events for the children that we hope our families will support us in. Please see below for our planned timetable :

Movie Nights - We will be holding 2 movie nights, KS1 (Y1 + Y2) Wednesday 3rd December 3:30pm - 5:30pm and KS2 (Y3,Y4, Y5 + Y6) Thursday 4th December 3:30pm—5:30pm. This will be charged at £6.00 per ticket payable via ParentPay.

EYFS Stay & Play - On Monday 15th December Nursery & Reception parents are invited to stay and play making Christmas crafts with their child/ren from 2pm - 3pm. The cost will be £4 per family, payable via ParentPay. we will notify parents when this goes 'live' on the system.

Raffle - from Monday 24th until Friday 5th December we will be selling raffle tickets before and after school at both the front and back doors. These will be £1 for the strip. (please bring the correct money as we don't keep change in school) . The raffle will be drawn in front of the children as part of our morning worship on Monday 8th December.

If you would like to purchase tickets but are unable to buy them from school at these times, please send in the correct amount of money in an envelope with your child's name and year group and we will send the tickets home with your child.

Santa Dash - on the morning of Monday 15th December we will be holding a Sponsored Santa dash around the playground. We will be sending our sponsor forms one per family via the eldest child in school unless parents specifically request a sponsor form for each of their children. Please email school if you wish us to issue 1 form to each of your children. The children can come dressed on Christmas outfits, hats, jumpers etc on the day, but please remember they will need appropriate footwear for the event.

Ecumenical Service - This will be held at 7:00pm on Tuesday 9th December at Holy Family Church in Hall Lane. We will send more information out to parents, especially those children who will be taking part in the service.

Christmas Lunch - we will be having our delicious Christmas Lunch on Thursday 18th December and all the children are invited to join us for it. The lunch will be sliced Turkey or Quorn fillet roast dinner with ice cream for pudding. Parents need to order and pay for this the Sunday before via their ParentPay account. This will be our school Christmas jumper day.

Parties - Our parties will be held in the afternoon on the following days:

15th December - Nursery

16th December - Reception, Years 1 & 2

17th December - KS2.

On the day of their party, the children can come into school ready in their party clothes, but please ensure they wear appropriate footwear.

Talent Show - On Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th December AM, we will be holding our very popular Cronton's Got Talent Show. The children are invited to get up on stage and show their singing, gymnastic, joke telling, dancing, musical instrument playing abilities, so get practicing children!

Breakfast with Santa - we have it on good authority that despite being a very busy time for him, Santa has heard how good our children are so he will be calling into our school to join our EYFS and KS1 children for breakfast. We believe he will also be paying a visit to our Nursery children.

School Closing - Our school will close for the Christmas holiday at **2:00pm on Friday 19th December.** There will be no Little Bluebirds or any after school clubs that day.

Science Week

CALLING ALL SCIENTISTS!

We are currently organising our Science week for the first week back of the year (6th to 8th January 2026). We are really excited! If you think that you, or somebody you know, might be interested in offering us a workshop or assembly or anything at all science related to add to our week, then please get in touch with us and let us know. We would love to know about your job, do some experiments or complete some work linked to it. There are lots of possibilities! If you think yours would be suited to a particular year group, then this can be organised too.

We have lots of exciting things going on and are looking forward to adding some more!

Many thanks for your support

Please contact Mr Tunstall

Lunch Time Leaders

This weeks Lunch-time leaders are:

Reception - Romie

Year 1 - Etienne

Year 2 - Rosabella

Year 3 - Theo

Year 4 - Jack T

Year 5 - Max

Year 6 - Jacob

Each of the above children have been chosen by the Mid-day supervisors based on behaviour and manners in the lunch hall and get to be in the front of the dinner queue for next week.

Church News

This Sunday 30th November is a service at St Lukes at 10.30.

Church services in December

5th Cafe Worship in School at 2.30

7th School Nativity at Cronton Mission 10.30

9th Cronton Ecumenical service and lighting of tree

14th Holy Communion at St Lukes Church 10.30

JAM CLUB at St Lukes Church 3pm

21st Cafe Worship at Cronton Mission 10.30

24th Christingle 3pm and 5pm, then Holy communion at 11pm at St Lukes Church

25th Holy Communion at St Lukes Church 10am

28th Holy Communion at St Lukes Church 10.30

All welcome

Please see Christmas tree festival details at the bottom of the Newsletter



Our Celebration Winners Toady -



Well done to all our children who have worked hard this week

CLASS	Winners and Reasons
Year 6	<p>Noah Great work adding fractions with different denominators!</p> <p>Isabella Amazing work with fractions this week. So impressed!</p> <p>Noah Great work adding fractions with different denominators!</p>
Year 5	<p>Whole Class - For showing perseverance and determination during your tests this week. I am so proud of you all! Well done !</p>
Year 4	<p>Sia For writing a brilliant outsider narrative about 'Leaf'</p> <p>Heidi For working hard and applying arithmetic skills for problem solving activities</p> <p>Violet For an outstanding recount of the world's first ever story!</p>
Year 3	<p>Max for improved focus and working hard to complete tasks.</p> <p>Ralph for working hard in maths. Keep up the good work!</p>
Year 2	<p>Whole Class - For being amazing during our special work week! Well done everyone!</p>
Year 1	<p>Mason For being resilient when working out subtraction questions in maths.</p> <p>Harley For always having a positive attitude towards learning.</p> <p>Isobel For working hard on her handwriting and presentation.</p>
Reception	<p>Fearne For always listening beautifully, showing kindness and working hard in everything you do.</p> <p>Theo For excellent progress in writing.</p> <p>Zachary For fantastic behaviour.</p>

Celebrating our Patron Saints

Our team colours are linked to our 4 Patron Saints and the country they represent On their Saint's Day the specific colour team can come into school wearing non uniform in their team colours. The first of these will be Blue Team representing St Andrew's Day - the Blue Team can wear blue on Monday 1st December.

Ninja / Accelerated Readers

Our Ninja Readers have really been doing really well. This scheme is always extremely successful and hopefully we will beat the scores of previous years.

Each time your child reads at home please ensure you sign their book. Once they have read 25 times they will get their first colour 'belt' - White. When they have read another 25 times (and all signed for) they will get their next colour "belt" - Yellow. Each time they read for another 25 times they will achieve their next colour 'Belt', all the way through the colours up to black and then move onto Dans. But please make sure your child's book is signed by an adult or their reading will not count towards their certificate.

Well done to all our Ninja Readers this week:

White Belt Winners:

Year 4 - Autumn

Year 5 - Isabelle

Yellow Belt Winners:

Year 1 - Elsie T, Elsie W

Year 2 - Arabella, Emily, Maeve

Year 3 - Hugh, Esme

Year 4 - Sia, Inda, Autumn, Beau

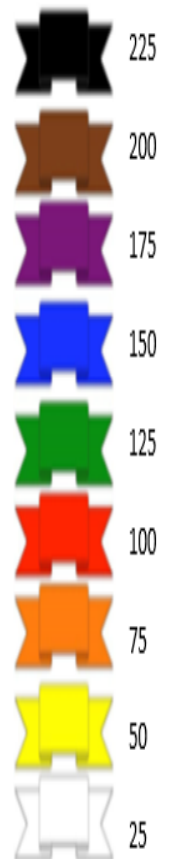
Year 5 - Phoebe

Orange Belt Winners:

Year 1 - Iris, Otto

Year 3 - Arthur, Eleanor, Eliza, Evie, Jessica

Year 5 - Erika, Robyn



Dates for your Diary / Upcoming Events

Please note these are subject to change or may be added to so please check these dates every week!

December

- Monday 1st —St Andrews Day - Blue team wear the colour Blue
- Y3 Multi-Skills **CANCELLED**
- Wednesday 3rd - KS1 Movie Night 3:30 - 5:30pm
- Thursday 4th - Y2 + Y5 Christmas Concert @ 10:45am (1 Parent per family)
- KS2 Movie Night 3:30 - 5:30pm
- Sunday 7th - KS1 Nativity @10:30am start
- Tuesday 9th - EYFS Nativity @ 2pm
- Ecumenical Service @ 7pm Holy Family Church.
- Wednesday 10th - EYFS Nativity @ 2pm
- Choir singing at The Dandelion @ 5pm
- Thursday 11th - Choir singing at The Unicorn @ 5pm
- Friday 12th - Café Worship + KS2 Carol Service @ 2pm (1 parent per family)
- Monday 15th - Nursery Christmas Party AM
- Santa Dash AM (Children to wear Christmas Attire)
- N & R Stay and Play 2pm - 3pm
- Tuesday 16th - Rec + KS1 Christmas Party PM
- Wednesday 17th - School Talent Show AM
- KS2 Christmas Party PM
- Christmas by Candlelight Concert - 4:15pm - 5:30pm
- Thursday 18th - School Talent Show AM
- Christmas Dinner + Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 19th - **Finish for Christmas @ 2pm**

January

- Monday 5th - **Return to School**

- Science Week

- PTFA Pantomime PM
- Tuesday 20th - Y3 Swimming Tuesday - Friday
- Wednesday 21st - Y5 Bikability
- Tuesday 27th - Y3 Swimming Tuesday - Friday
- Wednesday 28th - Y4 Btales - Parents welcome at 2:30pm

School Lunches

As part of our ongoing commitment to support our children and their families, we would like to inform you about the Free School Meals program and encourage you to apply if you are eligible.

The Free School Meals program is designed to provide nutritious meals to students at no cost to families who meet certain income criteria. By participating in this program, your child can receive healthy meals that are essential for their growth, development, and academic success.

Do I need to apply if my child is already having Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM)?

When more families apply and qualify for free school meals, our school receives additional funding from the government. This funding is used to enhance educational resources, support programs, and improve the overall learning environment for all children. When your child reaches Year 3 they no longer qualify for UIFSM, applying early will ensure that they are registered before reaching Year 3.

Who is Eligible?

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Income Support.
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit.

How do I Apply?

Applying for free school meals is simple and confidential. You can complete the application online at <https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/education-and-schools/financial-support/free-school-meals/apply-free-school-meals>.

Reception and Secondary School Admissions

September 2026

The application period for 2026 entry to Reception Class in Primary Schools is now open.

To apply for a place for your child, Parents / Carers must complete the application form from the council in which the child lives regardless of which school they wish to apply to.

All applications are now made on-line.

For Knowsley residents at www.knowsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions

For Halton residents at www.halton.gov.uk/schooladmissions

· **Knowsley Residents** - If you live in the borough of Knowsley you must only complete a Knowsley application form. You must apply online at www.knowsley.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Parents need to list the schools they wish to be considered for in order of preference.

· **Halton & other Borough Residents** - If you live in Halton or any other Borough you must apply online to your home Borough Council website. For Halton residents this is www.halton.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Parents need to list the schools they wish to be considered for in order of preference. If you wish to apply for your child to be considered for a place in our school please name our school in your list of preferences.

Reception Admission - The closing date for applications is **Thursday 15th January 2026**

Good to be Green

We have four rules in school and for when we are out on trips.

Be Ready! Be Respectful! Be Safe! Be Kind!



<p>Stay on a green card it's,</p> <p>GOOD TO BE GREEN!!</p>	<p>Following the school rules <u>at all times</u> will ensure you stay green!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be Ready! - Be Respectful! - Be Safe! Be kind!
<p>Green Speech Bubble</p> <p><i>This is a record of a verbal warning to follow the rules. It still counts as staying green.</i></p>	<p>Speech Bubble: First instance of not following the rules - minor incidents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low level disruption. • Shouting out. • Pushing in lines. • Using outside equipment before or after school
<p>Yellow card</p> <p>Miss 15 minutes of the next playtime. In EYFS a time out appropriate to their age.</p>	<p>Yellow Card: Second instance of not following the rules or a more serious incident, examples are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ignoring an adult's direct instruction. • Unwanted behaviour that does not physically hurt another person. • Anti- social behaviour.
<p>Red card.</p> <p>Miss 15 minutes of the next two playtimes. In EYFS a second time out appropriate to their age. All age groups receive a red letter from Miss Roberts, Mr Tunstall or Mrs Durr to go home explaining why the card has been issued. The incident and contents of the letter will <u>uploaded</u> onto CPOMS.</p>	<p>Red Card: Third instance of not following the rules or a very serious incident, examples are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spitting. • Deliberately pushing, slapping, hitting, punching or kicking with use of body or object. • Deliberate damage to school property. • Swearing. • Racism. • Persistent bullying. • Stealing. • Fighting (before, in or after school). • Abusive/inappropriate behaviour on social media or inappropriate use of the internet.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>If a serious instance of not following the rules has occurred - a child may move straight to yellow or red without going through the previous sanctions.</i> • These are examples only and not a definitive list of the behaviours that might incur a sanction. • Extremely serious cases of not following the rules may result in a temporary suspension from school. 	

Show you are READY by:



- Attending school everyday
- Arriving to school on time
- Immediately following a teacher's instruction.
- Always following a silent signal.
- Having all your equipment ready for your lesson.

Show you are being RESPECTFUL by:



- Listening carefully.
- Showing you are paying attention.
- Taking care of school equipment, furniture and the school building / environment.
- Waiting your turn to speak.
- Sitting correctly and still.
- Remembering your manners.
- Come into class/school/worship quietly using SMART walking.
- Always treating someone else's belongings with respect and not touching or taking them without their permission.

Show you are being SAFE by:



- Always using kind hands and never physically hurting another person deliberately.
- Lining up carefully and considerately without pushing.
- Always using SMART walking when moving around school.
- Only using outside equipment during breaks and lunchtimes.
- Always being respectful to each other in corridors and especially around doorways.

Show you are being KIND by:



- Always using your mouth for kind things: kind words, smiling and not for unkind things like spitting - never swearing or using racist or homophobic language.
- Always using kind hands, kind mouths and kind feet and never physically hurting another person deliberately.
- Always treating others how you would like to be treated and never bullying anyone or being unkind to someone either once or repeatedly.
- Always remember that we all have equal rights and should be treated with kindness and respect regardless of our gender, ethnicity, age or religion.
- Always remember that when we are online we should always treat others with the same kindness and respect as if we are in the same room as them.

St. Luke's Church & Cronton Mission

+ serving God and the community +



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Festival of Christmas Trees & Carols 2025

Saturday November 29th 10am to 3pm

Sunday November 30th 12noon to 3pm

Saturday December 6th 10am to 3pm

Sunday December 7th 12noon to 3pm

Saturday December 13th 10am to 3pm

Sunday December 14th 12noon to 3pm

Adult Programme £2 *Children free*

Refreshments on sale



Tuition

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Sarah Mooney
Teacher and Tutor

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