



Christian Value - Our Christian Value this half term is Justice.

Dear Parents,

We are really looking forward to seeing our KS1 doing their Nativity on Sunday! The children have worked really hard to learn their lines and all the songs! The service will start at 10.30am. The children should be brought to school at 10.15am to allow us to get them ready and settled.

Parents should go straight to the hall as staff will be on hand to help change the children into their costumes.

Next Tuesday 9th we will be attending the Tree Lighting and Ecumenical Service at Holy Family Church. Children from both schools in the village take part by leading the service and forming part of the congregational choir.

On Thursday children from Y2 & Y5 took part in a festive concert. They have been working really hard all term with Mr Holland from Liverpool Cathedral to learn all the songs. I am sure everyone who attended will agree they were magnificent. A lovely start to our festive part of the year.

Our Movie nights were a big hit and the children really enjoyed them. Thank you to all the staff who stayed to support the event.

Our raffle has been extended and tickets will be on sale until Friday 12th December.

Have a great weekend,

Miss Roberts,

Interim Headteacher

Christmas Singing at The Unicorn

For all that have returned the reply slips to give permission to sing at the Unicorn on Thursday 11th December, please arrive at 4:50pm.

The children will be singing from 5pm - 6pm.

Uniform/Trainers

A polite reminder that the correct shoes need to be worn for school and PE. Black shoes and all black trainers form our school uniform policy.

As the weather worsens, children will be allowed to wear boots to come to school but will need to change into their school shoes around school. Thank you

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.

Widnes Food Bank

A big big thank you to all the children who helped make and prepare the Christmas goodies and bracelets and help sell them.

A big thank you to everyone who had there classes disrupted this week.

A big thank you to all the children who bought our goodies.

Unfortunately, we have now sold out.

We have raised for the Food Bank a massive £138.05

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 - Freya

Year 1 - Otto

Year 2 - Charlotte

Year 3 - Isabelle

Year 4 - Heidi

Year 5 - Henry

Year 6 - Franky

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.

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 :

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 12th 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 the last week of term.

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.

Missing Coat

Can everyone please check at home for a Black River Island Boys coat with a fur hood, in a age 13-14 years.

It also has the child's name in it.



Our Celebration Winners Toady -



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

CLASS	Winners and Reasons
Year 6	<p>Ava For outstanding working out when adding and subtracting fractions.</p> <p>Dylan For an incredible attitude during TriKidz - well done!</p> <p>Jude M For an amazing piece of independent writing. So detailed! Well done.</p>
Year 5	<p>Adalyn For consistently showing perseverance and determination in all tasks. Keep up the excellent work!</p> <p>Tallulah For being an amazing role model to our class. You are amazing!</p> <p>Aimee For being a kind and caring member of our class. You are amazing!</p>
Year 4	<p>Eloise H For creating an outstanding outsider narrative.</p> <p>Eloise D For creating an exceptional narrative about 'Leaf' the polar bear.</p> <p>Dora For contributing wonderfully to our Geography lessons all about mountains.</p>
Year 3	<p>Thea For showing great enthusiasm during our road safety workshop.</p> <p>Hugh For always sharing his knowledge to help others and consistently looking out for those around him.</p> <p>James For always showing hard work and dedication and being a great role model to others.</p>
Year 2	<p>Maeve For having an excellent attitude to learning!</p> <p>Connor For excellent addition and subtraction work in maths.</p> <p>Parker For being enthusiastic about all aspects of school.</p>
Year 1	<p>Ettienne For always being a kind friend and looking after her classmates.</p> <p>Kerenza For excellent focus at carpet time.</p> <p>Ella For great shape work in maths.</p>
Reception	<p>Miles For great progress in phonics.</p> <p>Cooper For great number work.</p> <p>Rosie For amazing singing and dancing in our Christmas Concert rehearsals.</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.

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 2 - Freddie

Year 4 - James, Marcus

Year 6 - Nyla

Yellow Belt Winners:

Year 1 - Ella, Freddie

Year 2 - Amelia S

Year 3 - Thea

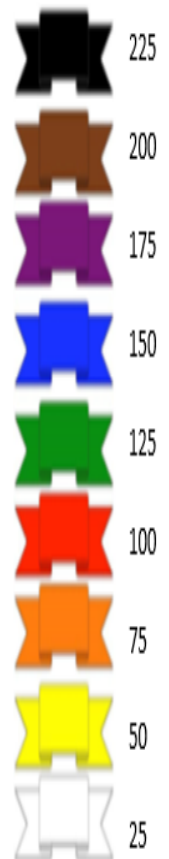
Year 4 - Penelope

Year 6 - Isla B

Orange Belt Winners:

Year 1 - Dave

Year 6 - Jude M, Nethiraa, Chloe



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

- Sunday 7th - KS1 Nativity @10:30am start, children to arrive at 10:15am
- 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 - PTFA - Breakfast with Santa
- **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

February

- Friday 13th - **Finish at normal time for Half-term.**

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 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 style="text-align: center;">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.