



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

Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Open Evening on Wednesday. It was a great success and very well attended. We received some really positive, complimentary comments about our school, staff and especially our children who stayed to help out. Well done children - we are very proud of you.

Thank you to the families who attended the wreath laying at the cenotaph last Sunday and thank you to Jessica, Julia and Freddie for representing our school.

Last Tuesday, we had our Odd Sock day to kick off Anti-bullying week. It was a great way to celebrate how unique and special we all are. Everyone looked fabulous!! Thank you for your support with this.

It was wonderful to see the enormous amount of shoe boxes and other supplies being loaded up onto the van this week to be delivered to the Ukraine. I am sure Mr. Tunstall (Senior) will update us on how he gets on with his deliveries. A huge thank you once again.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Thomson

Headteacher

Choir

We have some really great news, the school Choir has been invited to sing at The Dandelion pub on Thursday 5th December at 6pm. Please, if you can come along and support us that would be great. Please call the Dandelion directly if you wish to book a table.

More information will be sent out to our Choir regarding this.

Eco Club

Help our Eco Club. Can you help? Our planters are in need of help. If you have green fingers and the time to help the Eco club please get in touch through the office. We would like to create a lovely area and support the wildlife and nature to thrive in our area.



The planters are currently overgrown and need a little TLC. IF you can help in anyway, please get in touch.

Thank you The Eco Team

School Nurse - Drop in Sessions

Our school nurse will be in school on Tuesday 26th November.

We have the following appointments available: 2:30pm, 2:45pm, 3:00pm and 3:15pm

If you would like to book in with Alison about any health concerns or would like advice then please email school - crontonce@ldst.org.uk.

Christmas Cards

Well done for every single Christmas card entry in our competition which the children completed in school. We will be announcing a winner from each class very soon.

Well done everyone all the cards were fabulous you should be very proud of yourselves!

Y4 Class Worship

"B Tales" will be in school all day on Tuesday 26th November to work with the Y4 class and prepare them ready to lead the class worship, which will take place that afternoon. The worships will still take place in the school hall but due to space, numbers attending will be limited to **2 members per family**.

Year 4 class worship will be Tuesday 26th November starting at **2:30pm**.

Please keep an eye on the diary dates section of the newsletter for other classes.

Non Uniform Days

We are planning to hold non uniform dates as detailed below.

28/11/24 - Non Uniform Day, the 'Fine' being Bottles and Chocolates for the Raffle.

10/12/24 - Santa Dash - The children can come dressed in Christmas outfits, hats, jumpers etc on the day, but please remember they will need appropriate foot wear for the event.

16/12/24 - Nursery Christmas Party. The Nursery children come into school ready in their party clothes.

17/12/24 - Reception, Y1 and Y2 Christmas Party. The Rec / Y1 / Y2 children come into school ready in their party clothes.

18/12/24 - KS2 Christmas Party. The KS2 children come into school ready in their party clothes.

19/12/24 - Whole School Disco. The children come into school ready in their party clothes.

30 Hour Nursery Provision

Parents in receipt of 30 hour Nursery Provision need to reconfirm their eligibility every three months. If your details have not changed you only need to tick a box on your childcare service account to confirm this. If you don't reconfirm you may lose your 30-hour childcare provision.

Ukraine

Thank you to all of our families who kindly donated and supported our Ukraine appeal. We were completely overwhelmed by your kindness. It certainly will make a big difference! A huge thank you to our Ethos group too, who helped sort and pack all of the boxes. They've now been sent off and are on their way to Ukraine!



Christmas Fundraising.

We are very excited that this year we will be having different approach to our Christmas fundraising in place of the usual Christmas Fair. 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, Rec & KS1 Tuesday 3rd December 3:30pm - 5:15pm and KS2 Wednesday 4th December 3:30pm—5:15pm. This will be charged at £5.00 per ticket payable via ParentPay. More information will be issued near to the time.

EYFS Stay & Play - On Thursday 5th December Nursery & Reception parents are invited to stay and play making Christmas crafts with their child/ren. Nursery will be from 9:15 to 10:00 and Reception from 2:15 - 3:15pm. The cost will be £3 per family, payable via ParentPay. we will notify parents when this goes 'live' on the system.

Raffle - from Monday 25th until Friday 6th 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 9th December.

Non-Uniform day will be Thursday 28th November, the 'FINE' will be Bottles and Chocolates to go towards hampers for the raffle.

Santa Dash - on the morning of Tuesday 10th 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 Wednesday 11th 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 12th 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.

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

16th December - Nursery

17th December - Reception, Years 1 & 2

18th 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.

School Disco - We will be having a School Disco as a Christmas treat for the Children on Thursday 19th December. This is **free of charge** and the children can come to school in their party clothes.

Nursery, Y1 & Y2 - 1pm - 2pm

Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 - 2pm - 3pm

Talent Show - On Thursday 19th December 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 20th December.** There will be no Little Bluebirds or any after school clubs that day.

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!

November

- Tuesday 19th - Y1 Trip to Liverpool Museum
- Tuesday 26th - Y4 B Tales, Parents are welcome at 2:30pm.
- Thursday 28th - Non - Uniform day, FINE is Chocolates and Bottles for the Raffle.
- Friday 29th - St Andrews Day (Blue Team)
- CAFÉ worship @ 2:30pm

December

- Tuesday 3rd - KS1 Movie Night 3:15pm - 5:15pm
- Wednesday 4th - KS2 Movie Night 3:15pm - 5:15pm
- Thursday 5th - Choir singing @ The Dandelion - 6pm
- Friday 6th - Y2 + Y5 Music Showcase 9:30am
- Sunday 8th - KS1 Nativity (Y1 + Y2)
- Monday 9th - Raffle Draw
- Tuesday 10th - AM Santa Dash
- Wednesday 11th - EYFS Christmas Production @ 10am and 2pm
- Ecumenical Service @ Holy Family - 7pm
- Thursday 12th - Christmas Dinner
- Reception + Y5 Service - Parents welcome @ 2:30pm
- Friday 13th - KS2 Carol Service @ 2pm Parents welcome
- Monday 16th - Nursery Christmas Party (PM)
- Tuesday 17th - Rec + KS1 Christmas Party (PM)
- Wednesday 18th - KS2 Christmas Party (PM)
- Thursday 19th - Talent Show
- School Disco (PM) More details to follow.
- Friday 20th - Breakfast with Santa
- **Finish for Christmas @ 2pm**

Reception and Secondary School Admissions

September 2025

The application period for 2025 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 **Wednesday 15th January 2025**

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 weeks:

White Belt Winners:

Year 2 - Mateusz, Esme

Year 3 - Darcie, Scarlet, Jack T, Ruben, Beau, Noah, James

Year 4 - Aimee, Ruby

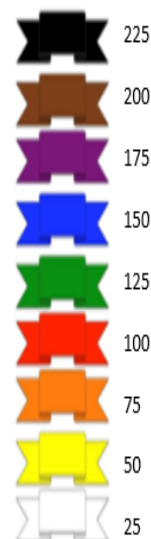
Yellow Belt Winners:

Year 1 - Alice

Year 2 - Penny, Hugh, Felix, Elodie

Year 3 - Isabella-Rose, Anais, Eloise D, Kennedy

Year 4 - Eibhleann, Phoebe



Lunch Time Leaders

This weeks Lunch-time leaders are:

Reception - Ella

Year 1 - Amelia

Year 2 - Oliver

Year 3 - Beau

Year 4 - Eibhleann

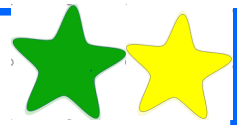
Year 5 - Aathanaa

Year 6 - Nathan

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.



Our Celebration Winners Today -

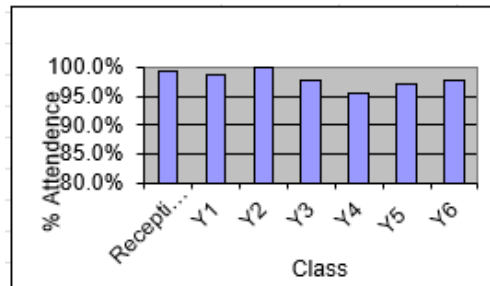


Well done to all our children who have worked and tried very hard this week.

CLASS	Winners and Reasons	
Year 6	Georgia	For Showing real kindness this week - you are a true role model.
	Harper	For amazing writing this week - beautiful vocabulary choices.
	Florence	For fantastic work ordering and comparing fractions.
Year 5	Thomas	For excellent maths skills and sharing his understanding
	Cole	For being more focused in lessons and being a good partner
	Isla	For having a good learning attitude
Year 4	Phoebe	For being an excellent ambassador at open evening.
	Jack	For being an excellent ambassador at open evening.
	Eibhleann	For being an excellent ambassador at open evening.
Year 3	Heidi	For contributing with fantastic ideas and always having a beautiful, positive energy in class.
	Eloise H	For always giving 100% and going above and beyond in everything she does.
	Violet	For creating an outstanding explanation text to trap the Iron Man!
Year 2	Brodie	For writing a super letter to Tom about his voyage.
	Isabelle	For super sentence writing when making predictions about our new text.
	Lowenna	For excellent calculation skills and understanding of addition and subtraction.
Year 1	Emily	For writing great speech bubbles, describing what Old Bear might have said.
	Maeve	For working well with other children and being a team player.
Reception	Louie	For excellent effort in writing and phonics.
	Isobel	For being kind, hard working and really helpful.
	Mason	For great progress in writing.

Attendance and Punctuality

Every week we will publish a chart of individual class attendance. The class with the highest attendance over the half term receives a reward. The winners for week ending 08.11.2024 were: 1st place - **Year 2** with **100%**, 2nd place - **Reception** with **99.3%**, 3rd place - **Year 1** with **98.6%**.



As you can see from the graph above, last weeks school attendance (excluding Nursery) was **97.6%**.

Please try to ensure your child is in school as much as is possible, unless of course they are ill. A reminder that if your child is going to be absent from school you must ring school (using Option 1) as early as possible on the first morning they are absent, and this must be followed up with an absence form available from our website explaining the absence on their return to school.

Holidays in term time will not be authorised.

Changes to the Law on School Attendance -

Please read carefully if you are planning to book term time holidays in 2024/25

The Government have introduced new laws regarding attendance from August 19th 2024.

The main changes are:

ALL term time holidays will be unauthorised, including holidays which involve a circumstance such as a wedding abroad, trip to see family etc.

In a 10 school week period, pupils who have more than 10 sessions unauthorised (a session is a morning or afternoon) may be fined, whether the absences are 5 days together or single days taken over a ten week period.

An increase in the amount of the penalty notice (fine) from £60 to £80 (if paid within 21 days) and £120 to £160 (if paid within 28 days) for the first penalty notice issued. This is fine is per parent per child. It is not per day but per period of absence (10 sessions+)

Any second penalty notice issued to the same parent for the same child within 3 years of the date the first penalty notice, will be £160 to be paid within 28 days. No discount is offered.

Any further absences will result in prosecution in the Magistrate Court for the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date of the first penalty was issued.

Further information can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance>