Northway News

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CURRENT WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: 96.9%	
BEST INFANT CLASSES	**BEST JUNIOR CLASS**
97.4% - Rec Mrs Harrison	99.7% - Y6 Mr Swift

Chair of Governors

Mrs Nina Peters, who has been Chair since 2022, decided not to stand for the role again but we are delighted that she is remaining on our board. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her work as Chair over the years and am also pleased to announce Mrs Clare Elwill (parent governor) as the new Chair.

REMINDERS

- Black school shoes are to be worn – not black trainers. If there is a problem with your child's shoes, then please send them in their pumps with a letter to the class teacher.
- Earrings are not to be worn on PE days unless children can remove them themselves and they are responsible for them. If children cannot remove them, then please send the tape in with your child and they must be able to apply this to cover them.
- No other jewellery is to be worn for school. This includes smart watches.
- Snacks for playtime are bread/toast or fruit. Bread products, such as croissants, bagel, malt loaf are also allowed but should not contain nuts or chocolate.

Local Toddler Groups

We have had this list from Sefton of locally available groups:

Tuesdays
· Little Deers (0–3) – St Giles, Aintree L10 8LE – 9:30- 11.15am
· St Thomas' – Lydiate, L31 4HL -10:30am to 12:00pm

Wednesdays
· Kings Church – Thornton L23 9YP– 10:00am – 11.30am
· Maghull Chapel – Maghull L31 6EE – 10:00am

Thursdays
· Emmanuel Church – Netherton L30 0QG – 9:15am -11.30
· Maghull Baptist Church L31 3DY – Maghull – 1:15pm to 2:45pm –

Fridays
· Lydiate Village Centre L31 2LA – Lydiate – 9:00am to 10:30am
· St George's URC Church, Northway L31 7BG- 10am – 12am

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Fri 16th Oct: Show Racism the Red Card – Wear red (non-uniform – all red or just an item that is red)

Fri 23rd Oct: Alder Hey PJ Day

Fri 23rd Oct: Finish for Half Term – normal time

Mon 2nd Nov: School reopens

Wed 11th Nov: Parents' Evening School close: 1:30pm
After Sch Club close: 4pm

PARKING

More photographs have been sent to school of cars parked unsafely and using the bus layby to park at collection as well. **Another** reminder that everyone is responsible for keeping our community safe- please park further away from school to prevent causing an accident.

Secondary School Admissions

A reminder to apply for a secondary school place for next September 2027 by 31st October. Sefton Admissions have also advised that they can supply you with a paper version. Here are the links as a reminder of how to apply -
Sefton - Starting primary or secondary school in September 2026
Knowsley - Applying for admission to year 7 in secondary school | Knowsley Council



Following on from our coffee afternoon earlier this term, we would like to share some useful information for our parents and carers, which was also shared by the Sefton Inclusion Team.

Sefton's Local Offer:



The Local Offer provides clear and accessible information about the provision Sefton Council expects to be available locally for our children and young people from 0 to 25 who have special educational needs and/or disability (SEND). Find more information on the website:
https://www.seftondirectory.com/kb5/sefton/directory/localoffer.page?localofferchannel=0

Sefton Parent Carer Forum



This service run workshops, information days and one day special events on a regular basis throughout the year. They provide regular information to help increase parental knowledge via social media. They also hold regular coffee mornings and craft sessions across Sefton where parents can meet, chat and get support. You can find more information by searching on social media or on their website:
https://www.seftonpcf.org/

Hudson Family Centre

Hudson holds our nearest family centre where parents can access a range of services and support. They regularly offer coffee mornings and other well-being events for families. There are further details found here:
https://www.hudsonprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Hudson+Family+Hub&pid=46

Sefton Family Life Toolkit

Further information and support can be found in the new Sefton's Family Life Toolkit. You can download and explore the toolkit on the following link:
https://www.sefton.gov.uk/mysefton-news/latest-news/new-family-life-toolkit-launched-to-support-families-across-the-borough/

Sefton Cross Country League – Race 2 at Litherland Sports Park

It was fantastic to see so many children from Northway take part in the second Sefton Cross Country League Race of the year which took place at Litherland Sports Park last week. Similar to the first race, there were hundreds of children taking part and there were Northway children from Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 competing, including a number of Year 3 children who were competing for the very first time. All of the children were brilliant! A special well done must go to Connor, Liliana, James and Charlotte who came first for Northway in the races for their age categories. Over a hundred children took part in each race and Connor finished 11th and James finished 16th which was incredible! After finishing 4th in the Year 5/6 race for the girls last week, an extra special congratulations to Charlotte who went one better this time and got herself a bronze medal when she finished 3rd! Charlotte set her sights on finishing in the top 3 before the race started and it was a joy to see her do it! What an amazing achievement! We are so proud of all of the children who took part.



Sefton Cross Country League – Race 3 at Firwood Bootle Cricket Club

The third Sefton Cross Country League Race took place at Firwood Bootle Cricket Club last night and it was terrific to see so many Northway children take part again, including a number of Year 3 and Year 4 pupils who were running for the very first time. In the true spirit of cross country, it was dark, wet and freezing but the bad weather couldn't wipe the smiles off the faces of the children and we are so proud of everyone who took part. Indeed, it was lovely to see so many children bettering their positions from previous races which shows just how much they are improving. A special well done to Connor, Lillia, James and Charlotte who, once again, came first for Northway in the races for their age categories. Hundreds of children took part in each race so for Connor to finish 11th (again) and James to finish 13th is just outstanding! Just like last week, Charlotte managed to get a bronze medal when she finished 3rd again in the Year 5/6 race for the girls and she ran an incredible race (as did Josie who finished 15th)! Charlotte proudly showed her medal to the rest of the school in our celebration assembly this afternoon and all of the runners received a huge ovation from the rest of the children.



Year 4 MADCOS Dodgeball Tournament

A huge well done to some of our Year 4 children who took part in a MADCOS Dodgeball Tournament at Maricourt High School last week. Northway took two teams and both sides were fantastic representatives of our school. Each team played eleven games so the children were all shattered by the end! Without doubt the highlight of the afternoon was when Northway 1 were pitted against Northway 2 in the derby of all derbies! The game ended in a draw and, with only Pippa and Nancy left on the court for each team, it went to sudden death! It was neck and neck with both girls trying to win the match for their team but Nancy won it for her team in the end when she caught one of Pippa's throws. The children on both teams showed some fantastic skills throughout the tournament and it was a terrific afternoon.



Netball Team begin MADCOS League Season

A huge well done to some of our Year 6 children who played their first round of matches in the MADCOS Netball League at Maricourt High School this week. Northway took two teams and each team played three league matches in the glorious sunshine, showing some great skills. All of the children loved playing and the improvement they made in one afternoon was quite incredible. It was fantastic to see all of the children working together and encouraging one another throughout the matches. The fact that all of the children are already looking forward to the next round of matches just shows how much they enjoyed themselves!



FAMILY SUPPORT INFORMATION

School Safeguarding Team: Mrs McKenzie, Mrs McGhee & Mrs Harrison. Please arrange a meeting via the school office, if you require support.

Maghull Food Bank: Based at St. Georges United Reformed Church, Northway, Maghull. Open Tuesdays 10am-12pm. No vouchers needed.

CAMHS Crisis Care Team: 0151 293 3577 or Freephone 0808 196 3550. This team offers 24 hour support to children and young people (under 18) who are in mental health crisis in Liverpool or Sefton.

Domestic Abuse support: SWACCA – www.swacca.com for women, young people and children throughout Sefton

Mental Health Support for Men: Sean's Place in Sefton and Liverpool www.seansplace.org.uk

Mental Health Support: MIND – www.mind.org.uk

Mental Health support for young people: Young minds www.youngminds.org.uk