



# St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Junior School

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**"If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God."**

(Colossians 3:1)

## THANK YOU MRS GODSMAN

We said goodbye and thank you to Mrs Godsman today. She has worked in our school for 24 years as one of our breakfast club staff, after school club staff and dinner time members of staff. We would like to thank her for her love, care and dedication throughout this time towards our children and hope she enjoys her rest!



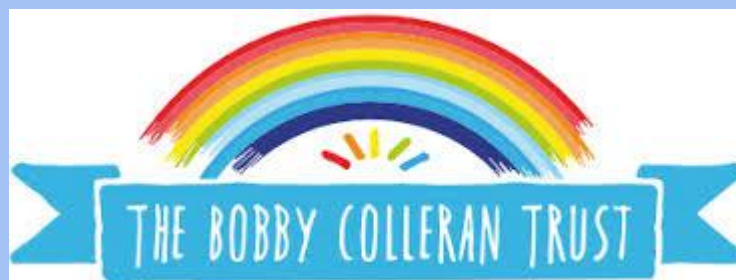
## LIV's BINGO BASH

To celebrate Olivia's 13th birthday, the Korbelt family have organised a special evening in memory of Olivia – a night to come together, share smiles, and honour her life.



## WEAR BLUE FOR BOBBY DAY

Thank you to our school community for raising £161 for the Bobby Collieran Foundation. The money has been sent on to the charity to continue their fantastic awareness raising work in our local community in Bobby's name.



## NEW PE KIT!

Following discussions with our school council and considering samples with various materials, we are pleased to inform you that a new PE kit will be introduced from September 2026. Children will be allowed to continue wearing their current PE kit up until September 2027 to give families plenty of time to make the change in a way that is manageable and cost-effective. This will be available from Lisa's Schoolwear with badges soon and further updates will be provided once this is in stock. Samples pictured below...



## LOST PROPERTY

Could we please ask parents and carers to check at home for a lost jacket. It is the same jacket as pictured below and has the child's name written in the label. Thanks for your help!



## PARKING IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

Thank you to the vast majority of our parents who park so considerately around our school. Your thoughtfulness towards our neighbours in the local community is truly appreciated. As we continue this positive approach, I'd like to gently remind everyone to remain mindful when parking in and around school. Please avoid blocking gates or parking in dangerous positions, and let's continue to be polite and respectful to our local residents. Together, we create a welcoming environment for everyone.



## PARENT PARTNERS



Finch Woods Academy Parent Partners is an opportunity for parents to meet with the expert teams and professionals who support children with SEND, gain a deeper understanding of SEND and how to support their children's needs in the home, and become more involved in the life of the school.

The school offers tailored SEND sessions and an opportunity for parents to gain advice and strategies from experts in the world of SEND.

Upcoming dates for your diary:

### **Tuesday 21st April 2026**

Sleep Support

Alison Peace—School Health Team

### **Tuesday 19th May 2026**

Understanding Autism: Post Diagnosis Support

Diane Strevens—Autism Advisory Teacher

### **Tuesday 9th June 2026**

Supporting Sensory Regulation

Kerry Anne Warburton—Occupational Therapist






All sessions will take place at **Finch Woods Academy, Bailey's Lane, Halewood, L26 0TY**. The sessions will run for local schools 9:15–10:15am, and for parents of pupils at Finch Woods Academy 10:30–11:30am. Light refreshments will be available. To book a place, please contact: [vrhead@finchwoods.mhat.org.uk](mailto:vrhead@finchwoods.mhat.org.uk)

## Guest Speakers

Our Infant school is hosting a number of events to support parents with SEND. If you are a parent/carer/grandparent/aunt/uncle of a child with Special Educational Needs, or if you have concerns, you are welcome to attend one or all of the guest speaker events.

There will be refreshments and the opportunity to listen to a SEND professional, helping to share knowledge of what is available to help your child at home and in school. Please note some are morning sessions and others are in the afternoon. You are welcome to attend only the ones that interest you or you can attend them all. You can also bring a friend.

The guest speaker events will take place in the canteen at St Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School.

Date	Time	Guest Speaker
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	<b>MORNING</b> 8:50 – 9:50am 	<b>LIVPAC</b> * Liverpool Parent and Carers Forum (LivPaC) is a group of parents and carers of children and young people with special additional needs and/or disabilities (SEND) who work with education, health and care services to ensure the services they plan and deliver are fit for purpose and meet the needs of children, young people and their families across Liverpool.'
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	<b>MORNING</b> 8:50 -9:50am 	<b>Early years SEND advisor</b> will come to school to talk about: * Delayed development * Their offer. * General SEND discussion and Q&A.
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026	<b>AFTERNOON</b> 2 – 3pm 	<b>ADDvanced Solutions</b> ‘We’re here to support you and your family to find the answers ADDvanced Solutions Community Network is an open access offer that supports the emotional health and wellbeing of neurodivergent children and young people, their families and the professionals that work with them.’
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	<b>AFTERNOON</b> 2 – 3pm 	<b>Parenting Knowsley</b> Give advice on how their service can help parents/carers.
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	TBC	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	<b>AFTERNOON</b> 2-3pm 	<b>Knowsley Autism Team</b> ‘The team will work with the borough’s schools and pupils to provide information, advice and supporting, ensuring that their needs are being met. By supporting the graduated approach and delivering timely, targeted advice, the Autism Advisory Team will help schools identify and meet needs earlier. Strengthening staff confidence and capacity in mainstream settings reduces reliance on reactive support, aims to lower Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) applications, and ease pressure on specialist provision.’

## Out and About

As you may know approval has been given for the building of 34 homes and a mix of apartments on the old Boundary Pub site. Work is expected to start around June/July with a build period of 10-12 months. This will undoubtedly increase traffic on Pilch Lane, so we would ask families, where possible, to walk to school to reduce traffic to a minimum and improve the safety of our whole community.

## Knowsley Parenting Support Newsletter

Please see the link below to the newest edition of Knowsley's Parenting Newsletter, detailing the parenting programmes and support available for families in Knowsley April- July 2026. Programmes range from antenatal right up to 19 and 25 for young people with SEND. All programmes are FREE to access. Included is information on how to refer to each programme.

[Knowsley Parenting Support Newsletter April- July 2026](#)

## ATTENDANCE

<u>Year Group with the fewest lost days this week</u>	<u>Classes Recognised this week</u>	<u>School Attendance this week</u>	<u>Impressive attendance this week</u>
☀️ Year 3 ☀️	☀️ 3GM ☀️ ☀️ 4SC ☀️ ☀️ 5RR ☀️ ☀️ 6PS ☀️	88.3%	☀️ 3GM - 99.1% ☀️

### ATTENDANCE REMINDER

All emails relating to pupil absences must now be sent to schools our email address - [stmargaret@knowsley.gov.uk](mailto:stmargaret@knowsley.gov.uk)

## SPRING TERM DATES FOR THE DIARY

(Please note that dates are subject to change but, in the event of change, we will endeavour to give parents as much notice as possible)

### SUMMER TERM 1

Year 2 Transition Programme begins  
16th & 23rd April- Yr 3 Road Safety  
w/b 23rd April- Yr 3 Swimming (2 weeks)  
27th April - Yr 4 Condoover Hall Residential  
1st May- Y3 Liverpool Museum & Art Gallery Trip  
w/b 5th May- Yr 5 Bikeability  
8th May- Culture Coffee Morning  
11th May- Yr 6 SAT Week

15th May 4CF & 4KL Holy Communion  
 21st May- Yr 6 Road Safety Sessions  
 22nd May- Yr 6 Sports Day (am)  
 22nd May- 4SC & 4AW Holy Communion  
 22nd May Finish School For Half Term (normal time)

## **SUMMER TERM 2**

12th June- Pink Day  
 15th June- Yr 3 Sports Day  
 16th June - Yr 4 Sports Day  
 17th June- Yr 5 Sports Day  
 25th June - Yr 3 & 4 Gulliver's World  
 26th June- Yr 5 & 6 Gulliver's World  
 1st July- Transition Day- Yr 6 visit secondary schools  
 10th July- Coffee Morning  
 17th July- Yr 6 Leavers Mass 10.00am TBC  
 20th July- Yr 6 Awards Presentation 9.30am  
 20th July- Yr 6 Leavers Party 5pm TBC  
 21st July - Finish for Summer time TBC

## **Extra-Curricular Timetable**

We have a wide range of extra-curricular activities for our children to participate in during the Spring Term. Please see the timetable below: -

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Y3</b>	Before School					
	Lunchtime					Football
	After		Multiskills			
<b>Y4</b>	Before School					
	Lunchtime				Football	
	After	EFC Muliskills				
<b>Y5</b>	Before School			Basketball	Boys Football	Bleep Test
	Lunchtime					
	After School			Football	Rebound Dance	
<b>Y6</b>	Before School	Benchball	Bleep Test			
	Lunchtime	Hockey	Table Tennis			
				Football	Homework Club	Rebound Dance