



Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 5th November 2025

Attendance

You have 190 days to come to school and 175 to do everything else!

Regular attendance at school is significant to a child's educational development and progress. There is now a bigger [Government drive to improve attendance](#). When a child's attendance falls to 90% or below it is classed as persistent absence. We hope that by working together, attendance will improve and children will achieve fully in school. The school's policy for attendance is available on the school [website](#).

Please click on the [link](#) to see the guidance for parents regarding attendance:

We reward good attendance each week and are aiming for at least 96% attendance. Class attendance for the first week back was as follows: Year 2 – 99.17%, Year 6 – 96.63%, Year 4 – 96.62%, Reception – 95.04%, Year 1 – 94.69%, Year 5 – 94.24%, Year 3 – 94.16%, Nursery – 93.53%
Overall school attendance – 95.51%.

The classes in green are above our target of 96% and those in red are below, some significantly below. We will be targeting those with poor attendance.

If you are unable to call school, e.g no credit on your phone, please use School Spider * to report the absence or click [here](#) to send an email to let us know, please try to let us know by 9.00AM. You will need to log into School Spider to do this, if you need help logging in, please let school know.

Info for parents from the DfE regarding fines: [Fines for parents for taking children out of school](#).

Sefton Mental Health Support Team – Behaviours That Challenge

The next workshop for parents is taking place on Friday 14th November from 9.00am in the school hall. All parents are welcome to meet with the team and ask any questions or seek advice. They will happily let you know what support they can offer, please do drop in and take advantage of this great opportunity.

Our Pastoral Mentor - Mrs Brannigan

Hi, I'm the Pastoral Mentor at school and my role is to support children's wellbeing, attendance, and overall development. I work closely with children and families to help with anything that might be affecting a child's time at school, whether it's behaviour, low confidence and self-esteem, sleep difficulties, or challenges at home such as financial difficulties or housing concerns.

I'm here to listen, offer support, and help find practical solutions where we can. My goal is to work together with you to make sure your child feels safe, happy, and ready to learn each day.

If you'd like to get in touch or find out more about how I can support your child or family, please don't hesitate to contact me through the school office

Cut Your Carbon in November – Let's Act Together!

We are excited to be taking part in the **Cut Your Carbon** challenge this month! It's a fantastic opportunity for us at school, and you as families, to make small, practical changes that can make a big difference to our planet. There are **six simple steps** involved: **switch**



off lights, walk or cycle instead of driving, eat more plant-based meals, reduce food waste, avoid fast fashion, and cut down on plastic. We encourage you all to take part and trackers were sent home on Tuesday 04.11.25 so that you can evidence any changes you make

Internet Safety Newsletter

Attached to the newsletter is the online safety newsletter.

Tempest Photographs taken 17th October 2025

All orders can be placed in school or online, parents have until Friday 7th November 2025 **at 3.15PM** to take advantage of free delivery back to school.

School Menu Change

New school menus started this week and run to April with a new set beginning after Spring break. Please click on the [link](#) to see the new menu.

Christmas Performance Tickets

Tickets for our Christmas performances for Reception class to Year 6 will be open for bookings via our School Spider App from 3.30pm today. Tickets are initially limited to 2 per family. Any unsold tickets will be offered once all families have their allocation nearer the time.

Nursery will be sharing some Christmas songs in their classroom for their Christmas performance. This will be on Monday 15th December at 11.00am and 2.45pm. Parents can request 2 tickets for their child's session via class teachers. If your child attends all day you may wish to request 1 ticket for the morning and 1 for the afternoon, so that they have a family member watching them. It would be lovely for you to join us to celebrate this special time of the year.

Dates for 2025/26

For school term dates for this academic year, please see the school calendar on our [website](#).

Dates:

November

7 th November	Reception & Year 1 workshop with author Jessica Bowers
10 th November	Anti-bullying week. Year 4 Greek day – all to dress up 11.15AM – Mini – church, all over church- all Early Years families welcome
11 th November	Gymnastics for Year 5 & 6
12 th November	10.00AM – Communion at church – all families welcome pm – Group 1 swimming with Year 3
14 th November	Children in Need Day – all to wear spots , either on your face, clothes or just your socks! £1 donation to Children in Need Sefton Mental Health Support Team – workshop for parents “Behaviours that Challenge” 9.00AM – school hall – please come along to see what support can be offered if you are struggling or just have an interest.
17 th November	Enterprise week
18 th November	Gymnastics for Year 5 & 6
19 th November	PM – Group 1 swimming with Year 3
25 th November	Gymnastics for Year 5 & 6
26 th November	PM – Group 1 swimming with Year 3
27 th November	Year 2 to Liverpool Cathedral
28 th November	Mufti Day – all to wear own clothes £1 donation to PFA Last day for after school clubs KS2 - TT Rockstars Competition

CAMHS

The Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) put together a monthly newsletter for parents and professionals, signposting support such as groups, training and workshops. Click the [link](#) to have a look and see if there is anything of any interest. If you have any questions you can contact Miss Murtagh (Headteacher) and Mental Health lead via the school office.

Christian Values This week's Christian Value is **Perseverance**.

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” Galatians 6, 9:10

Article 13 Every child must be free to express their views, thoughts and feelings in all matters affecting them and to have their views considered and taken seriously.



A Prayer for our School

*This is our school,
Let peace dwell here,
let peace begin with me.
Let the room be full of contentment
Let love abide here
Love of human kind, love of life itself
And love of God
Let us remember that as many hands
build a house,
Many hearts build a school.
Amen*



Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Miss E Murtagh.

Miss E Murtagh
Headteacher

