





Dates to Note

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In God's light, we love, learn and grow together.

Since God loved us so. We should love one another (1 John 4:11)

Welcome to the Summer Term





We have welcomed the summer term with open arms. The children look smart wearing their summer

uniforms and PE kits. We hope the sunshine stays! Spring term was so much fun and the children really did excel themselves.

We look forward to exciting days to end this school year.

Tuesday 23rd April – Class photographs Wednesday 24th April - 1st Netball game after school V St Nicholas

Wednesday 1st May- 2nd Netball game after school **V** St Edmunds

Monday 6th May - BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 13th May – Y6 SATS BEGIN! Monday 20th May –School Quidditch Day & Last swim for Y3&4

Tuesday 21st May- 3rd Netball game after school V Forefield

Wednesday 22nd May- Reception to visit Farmer Teds

Chesterfield Netball tournament

Friday 24th May – Own clothes day –
foodbank donation Term End 2:30pm

Half term club – no club this half term

Tuesday 4th June – Term begins. **Monday 10th June-** Y5&6 Swim begins / Y5 10am-2:30 Chesterfield taster day Y1 Phonics screening this week

Monday 24th **June –** Meet the teacher and staff for new reception parents 4:30pm

Tuesday 25th June – 9:30-10:30am New Reception intake Stay and Play

Wednesday 26th June- 4th Netball game after school **V** Ursuline

Thursday 27th June- High school transition day and school class transition.

New Reception intake in 1:15-2:30pm **Friday 28th June-** High school transition day

Monday 1st July- Sports Day

Tuesday 2^{\rm nd} July- $5^{\rm th}$ Netball game after school **V** St Johns

Friday 5th July – Y6 Rewards Trip **Monday 15th July** –PM Whole school disco and class parties

Tuesday 16th July - 2pm Rec-Y5 whole school summer assembly

Wednesday 17th July - 2pm Y6 leavers assembly

Thursday 18th July - 1:15pm finish

Parents park at their own risk in the car park. The car park belongs to the Church

After School Clubs- LATE charge REMINDER

Can we please remind parents that when a club finishes after school, your child must be collected on time. We will now charge a **late fee** for collection. Staff have children to collect from other providers and are getting late fees due to some parents at school turning up late for collection. If you are late collecting a child from an after school club such as dance or sport, they will automatically be put in our after provision club Mon-Thu and be charged £8.

If you are late collecting on a Friday club, the charge will be £10.

If you are late collecting from the schools regular after school provision, the charge is also £10.

There are no exceptions. Thank you to those who collect on time.

Term Dates 2023-2024

Autumn 2024

Term starts – Wednesday 4th September

1/2 term ends - Friday 25th October 2.30pm

Half Term – Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

Term re-starts - Monday 4th November

Term ends – Friday 20th December 1:15pm

Spring 2025

Term starts – Tuesday 7th January

½ term ends – Friday 14th February 2:30pm

Half Term – Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February

Term re-starts – Monday 24th February

Term ends- Friday 4th April 1:15pm

Summer 2025

Term starts - Tuesday 22nd April

1/2 term ends - Friday 23rd May 2:30pm

Half Term - Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May

Term re-starts - Tuesday 3rd June

Term ends – Friday 18th July 1:15pm

NB – Holiday fines and persistent absence fines are still being processed by Sefton Council. Please do not book holidays during term time.

OFSTED UPDATE

Unfortunately, we are still waiting for the final Ofsted report to be published.

A draft was issued to school, which contained some errors.

All schools are put under a lot of scrutiny and pressure so errors and wider issues regarding the inspection framework and the way this is carried out should not be tolerated by schools.

Following this, I have complained to Ofsted.

Their schedule to deal with complaints is 30 working days - this has now passed. Ofsted are now working towards a new deadline of an approximate further 3 weeks and send apologies.

I would hope they can meet their new deadline so a report can be published.

I would like to thank everyone for thier patience. Mrs Scott- Head teacher

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY: 2023-24

Sefton council class any child below 90% as persistently absent. Our whole school target is 96%, which tends to be in line with national averages. It is so important that children attend school as much as possible. We understand that this cannot be the case with genuine illnesses. Thank you to all for all the effort on getting the children into school and reducing the term time holidays.

DARK GREEN-	GREEN -	Good AM	BER- Slight Conc	ern RED	RED- Below the acceptable level- Classed		
Very Good (96%+) (95-95.9%)		(94.	94.9-90.1%)		as persistently absence level (below 90%)		
WHOLE SCHOOL - 94.8%							
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
94.7%	93.8%	95.2%	97.7%	93.1%	94.5%	94.2%	

Wednesday Word - This week's Wednesday Word is <u>TRUST.</u> You will find it on the Catholic Life of Our School page.

School Start Time - Children must be in school for 8:55am. Phonics and Guided reading start at 9am sharp and finish at 9:15am. This can prove difficult and upsetting for children missing this vital part of their education. There is no other time in the day to catch up on these. Children will be considered late if they arrive after 9am. Work is set in each class from 8:45am for those children who arrive to help embed their learning. We want to give the children the best start in their academic life

#KnowKnifeCrime



A huge thank you to all the parents, children and families for their support during the week of this campaign. All children in school ran 2.6 miles, meaning the school across the whole week ran over



250miles!!!!!! So far, our CAPITAL Crosby group has raised over £2000 for the Anti-bleed kits. This was such a huge event and allowed the children to be educated and work within the community. We are so proud of our little school!









ACADEMY SECTION

School are still on track for academisation on 1st September 2024 along with St Edmund's & St Thomas, Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of Walsingham.

GOVERNOR SECTION

A huge thank you to Ms Shiels one of our school governors for taking the time to blow up and attached all the balloons to the gates. She also helped with the floral display outside.

New oral health information for parents!





Are you a parent or carer of a child aged 6-16 with an educational need or disability?

Are you interested in helping design new oral health information for parents of children with educational needs or disabilities?



We need you!

This project will involve working with a team from the University of Liverpool to design oral health information.

You will asked to take part in two group discussions to choose the content and design of the information leaflet. There will be an artist who will be able to bring your input to life!

You will receive a £25 voucher as a thanks for each group discussion you take part in (total of 2 discussions).

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Emma:
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