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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 uniform. 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.



Dates to Note

Monday 1st May - BANK HOLIDAY

Friday 5th **May-** School photo day! All children need to be in their uniform. It will be a class photograph.

Monday 8th May - BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday 9th May - Y6 SATS BEGIN!

Wednesday 17th May- Y5&6 Crucial Crew visit

Friday 19th May – Y5 & 6 class trip to Slavery Museum

Monday 22nd May -School Quidditch Day

Tuesday 23rd May- Last swim for Y3&4

Wednesday 25th May- Teach Rex whole school prize

Thursday 26th May – Term End 2:30pm **Half term club** – Mr McLaughlin Tuesday 30th-Fri 2nd. £20 a day or £60 for the 4 days. Please book in direct on 07973928063

Monday 5th June - Term begins.

NB- Y4 multiplication check and Y1 phonics check this month

Tuesday 6th June – Swim begins for Y5&6 **Monday 26th June –** Meet the teacher and staff for new reception parents 5pm

Thursday 29th **June-** High school transition day and school class transition. New Reception intake in 9:30am-11am.

Friday 14th July - Y6 Rewards Trip

Monday 17th **July** - 1:30pm Rec-Y5 whole school summer assembly

Tuesday 18th July - Y6 leavers assembly

Thursday 13th –PM Whole school disco and lass parties

Wednesday 19th July - 1:15pm finish

Please park carefully. School are getting irate emails again

Clubs this half term

Monday: lunch – Sports skills with Y4&Y5 (free). After school – Outdoor sports with Y3-Y6 with Mr. McLaughlin (cost). Y6 Boosters after school (free)

Wednesday: lunch – Sports skills with infants (free). After school – Outdoor sports with Rec-Y2 with Mr. McLaughlin (cost). After school - Good Grub Club (cost)

Thursday: After school - Yoga Club (cost) Friday: After school - Drama Club (cost)

Term Dates 2023-2024

Autumn 2023

Term starts – Tuesday 5th September ½ **term ends –** Friday 20th October 2.30pm

Half Term - Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October

Term re-starts - Monday 30th October

Term ends – Thursday 21st December 1:15pm

Spring 2024

Term starts - Monday 8th January

½ term ends - Friday 9th February 2.30pm

Half Term – Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February

Term re-starts – Monday 19th February

Term ends- Thursday 28th March 1:15pm

Summer 2024

Term starts - Tuesday 16th April

1/2 term ends - Friday 26th May 2:30pm

Half Term - Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May

Term re-starts - Tuesday 4th June

Term ends - Wednesday 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.

HUGE THANK YOU!

Mrs Davies has begun her treatment and is remaining positive. She would like to thank staff and parents for the lovely messages and generous gifts. She is keeping school informed of her progress along the way. We continue to miss her and wish her love, luck and prayers.

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY: 2022-23

Sefton council class any child below 90% as persistently absent. Our whole school target is 96.5%, 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.

(97%+)		GREEN – Good (95%-96.9%)	AMBER- Slight Concern (93.5%- 94.9%)	and approa	RED- Below the acceptable level fir school and approaching persistently absent (Below 93.5%)				
WHOLE SCHOOL - 94.1%									
Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
94.6%	94.1%	95.9%	92.5%	92.8%	94.5%	94.2%			

School are concerned with the overall level of attendance, as this is much lower than local schools in the area. It must be emphasised that children must be in school unless too ill. Moving forward more letters and meetings with the senior leadership team of the school regarding attendance will now be issued and the Local Authority Attendance Officer will need to get involved with families who continue to keep children off sporadically. All children deserve a full education.

School Start Time - Children must be in school for 9am. 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. We would like to thank all those who arrive to school with plenty of time for the children to settle in. 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