St. George's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

Mr Pete Chapman BA (Hons) - Headteacher





6th January 2023

Dear Parents

Happy New Year to you all! We hope everyone had a peaceful Christmas break and enjoyed some well-deserved rest over the holiday. It seems to have flown by and already we are embarking on the spring term!

This week in our assemblies and Collective Worship we have thought about the Epiphany and the journey the Kings made in their effort and their determination to visit Jesus. We have also been thinking about promises and the promises we can make to God to be brilliant members of St George's School and community; the values we should have and what our actions says about us and our school. These have become our collective goals for the New Year!

END OF AUTUMN TERM

I'd just like to say a huge thank you to all our parents for the support shown to staff at the end of last term. The Christmas run is always a joyful, and yet stressful, time in school; there's so much excitement for the Christmas performances and all the lovely activities that the PTA and school have planned. Teachers were also ensuring the curriculum is delivered and all end-of-term assessments were complete.

The heating situation was a nightmare for everyone and we so much appreciate all the kind messages and words of support. We know how difficult that week was for parents and children – it couldn't have happened at a worse point in the year. Not only were all the Christmas performances affected but we were so conscious that parents would have booked time off and made arrangements to see the plays. We are so grateful that they could go ahead and so many were able to attend to see their children shine.

I would like to personally thank all the staff, especially Mrs Daly, Mr Dillon, Miss Hinchley and Mrs Jones for keeping everything moving to the very best of their ability while I was absent; they couldn't have done more. It was the first time in my teaching career that I'd missed the Christmas plays and couldn't be part of such a magical time.

Teachers will be completing the remainder of their summative assessments over the next week that they were unable to finalise due to the closure.

One of the school boilers was able to be fixed on the last day of term and we await advice and repairs to the remaining boiler. Thanks to Mrs Jones and Mrs Daly, who were constantly on the phone to the parts company and delivery companies. It seemed to be a perfect storm of confusion and miss-communication, the part not being collected by one firm and having to be delivered by an alternative company. However, it's now behind us and we look forward to getting on with a new term and new Year.

<u>PTA</u>

Thank you so much to our PTA and all the staff who were able to put on all of the planned Christmas events, and all the members of the PTA who so generously gave their time to support them. The Grotto looked fantastic and Father Christmas was very happy to visit the children in such lovely surroundings.

YEAR 6 CURRICULUM TRIP

Our Year 6 children will be spending most of Thursday 12th January at Maricourt as part of a curriculum enhancement opportunity next week. Maricourt have invited our children to their IT facilities to support them in the challenges of the IT curriculum. It's fantastic for our children to be offered such an opportunity and to have IT specialist teachers helping them master the skills needed in our ever-changing technological world.

REQUEST FOR STRONG SWIMMERS

Please see below for a message from the Bootle and North Liverpool Swimming Club

I am writing on behalf of Bootle and North Liverpool Swimming Club to request that you let your year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children know we are currently recruiting **boys who are strong swimmers aged 8-11** for our mixed team to compete in the 2023 North West Regional League. To book a trial please email paulevansteacher@aol.com

We are an entirely volunteer run Club and the team compete in the Merseyside and Regional league as well as the local cup. We currently have swimmers of all abilities from total competition beginner to a regional Champion.

Best wishes, Paul Evans

YEAR 4 RECONCILIATION

Please keep all the children in Year 4 in year thoughts and prayers over the next week. They have prepared for their Reconciliation which is taking place on Wednesday evening. We look forward to their service and being back in Church with father Chris and Deacon Keith.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB OPPORTUNITY



New Term Courses St Georges

Dear parents / guardians,

This term, Active Sport are again running after-school football sessions on Mondays. These sessions are available to all year groups! To book your place, please visit www.active-sport.co.uk and click 'Find your Class', these sessions will be under 'Sefton'.

Session Information:

Dates: 9th January - 6th February

Time: 3:30 - 4:30pm

Price: 23.50 (£4.50 per session + £1 Booking fee)

Extra Information: Please bring football/sports kit, appropriate for the weather, trainers or football boots, and a drink.

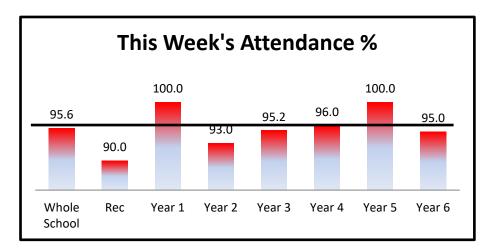
For any further enquiries, Contact Active Sport Sefton - hugh@activesportsgroup.co.uk

YEAR 1 AND YEAR 6 HEALTH LETTERS

Yesterday, we sent out letters to all parents with children in Year 1 and Year 6 from the Sefton Health Team. There is no ned to respond unless you wish to opt out. If you haven't yet read the letter, please do so over the weekend when you have 2 minutes. Many thanks.

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance can be seen below. Our school target is 96% which is represented by the black line.



WIOW – well done **Year 1 and Year 5** for amazing attendance on our first few days after Christmas.

SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

Below is a flyer from Active Soccer that we have been asked to distribute to parents.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mr P. Chapman Headteacher

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Active Soccer Sefton

At Active Soccer Sefton we provide high quality football sessions for children of all abilities. We aim to create an environment where children can thrive and develop resilience, confidence and growth, values that we believe are essential to building a positive mindset for performance, and in life away from football. We want to encourage children to enjoy their football, whilst reaching their maximum potential!

About Me

Before I started coaching at the Active Sports Group, I was the u18s captain at Rochdale AFC and was involved in the first team for a year in League 1. I still play semi-professionally for Atherton Collieries in the Northern Premier League, whilst doing as much coaching as possible, as I have a great passion for supporting the development of children.





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Timetable 2023 - Term 1



We are running sessions from our Centre in Maghull (L31 8BT) throughout the week in the evening time, ranging from a variety of football courses for the start of 2023 (timetable above), as well as small group sessions and 1-2-1s. If you are interested or would like any more information on any of the sessions we have available, please feel free to contact me. You can also visit our website and follow our Instagram for all the latest information.

To Book: Bookings will be made online - Visit www.activesoccer.co.uk and click 'Find your Class' to see what courses are available. All football courses are £5 per session and will be ongoing, but will be displayed as block bookings. 1-2-1s and small group session bookings will be made through enquiry only.

We hope to see you soon!

Website - https://www.activesoccer.co.uk/active-areas/north/sefton/

Instagram - @sefton activesoccer

Contact – jack@activesportsgroup.co.uk