



DATES

SEPTEMBER

Friday 27th – Macmillan Coffee Morning

Monday 16th – Carbon monoxide awareness assembly & workshops

Monday 30th – Parents' Meetings Week

OCTOBER

Monday 2nd – Flu spray for all children

Friday 25th – School closes for ½ term

NOVEMBER

Monday 4th – school re-opens at 8.50am

Monday 18th – Individual and family photographs

DECEMBER

Tuesday 10th – KS1 Play at 9.30

Wednesday 11th – KS1 Play at 9.30

Thursday 12th – Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 12th – EYFS Play at 9.30

Friday 13th – EYFS Play at 9.30 & KS2 Tableau at 2.00 in Church

Monday 16th – Father Christmas is in town!

Tuesday 17th – Christmas Film Afternoon

Wednesday 18th – Santa Dash & Hot Chocolate (pm)

Thursday 19th – Christmas Party Day

Friday 20th – **School closes at 1.00pm**

St. George's Catholic Primary

Newsletter

13th September 2024

Collective worship

This week we have been thinking about our school mission statement and how we can live it out in all we do, at school and at home. The children thought of their own words that they believe would support us in living out our mission statement.

As we do every year, the children in KS2 have the opportunity to design the school display so it becomes their work, their words, their values. Their ideas can be brought in next week before we pick a worthy winner and create the display.

*To learn with
kindness, respect
and friendship
through God's love*

PARENTS' MEETINGS

We will be holding our first parents' meetings this term in the week commencing 30th September. As usual, Nursery and Reception meetings will be held face-to-face. These will be arranged by the class teachers and you'll be asked to sign up for an appointment.

KS1 and KS2 will take place via SCHOOL CLOUD. Details of days will be sent out next week along with details of how and when to book your appointments. Thank you.

HOME TIME FOR YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

Just a reminder regarding pick-up at the end of the school day for our children in Year 1 and Year 2. Just as we do in the morning, there is a staggered home time so children can safely be handed over to parents in a calm and orderly way. This is especially helpful for our Year 1 children.

Year 1 finish at 3.20pm and **Year 2 finish at 3.30pm**. Please can we ask Year 2 parents to stand back so our Year 1 children, and staff, can see parents and hand over safely. Thank you.

PACKED LUNCHES

We are noticing again that some items within packed lunches are chocolate bars and sweets. These items are not allowed in school and anything sweet should really be limited to just 1 item within the lunch box. This should be a cake or biscuit bar, flapjack, breakfast bar etc.

Please avoid:

Chocolate sandwiches
Chocolate waffles/creps
Chocolate yoghurts
Donuts
Chocolate bars
Sweets



Children should have **nut-free lunches so Nutella and peanut butter are not allowed** and of course, no items containing nuts. This is to protect all children in class/the hall who may have nut allergies.

Please ensure that items in their lunch box are an appropriate size/quantity for their age. Some children are being over-faced with their lunch boxes which can take them a long time to try and eat a bit of everything. Remember, fresh fruit is available at both morning and afternoon break for all children.

Please see below some NHS advice and ideas for healthy lunches to support your child's learning throughout the day.

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

Thank you for your co-operation.

DOGS ON THE PLAYGROUND AND FIELD.

Just a little reminder that dogs are not allowed on the school grounds. Some of our children are very anxious around dogs and we know some dogs can be apprehensive around small, unpredictable children. If parents do bring their dog to pick up, please remain outside the ground and leave a space around the gates. Many thanks.

WATER BOTTLES

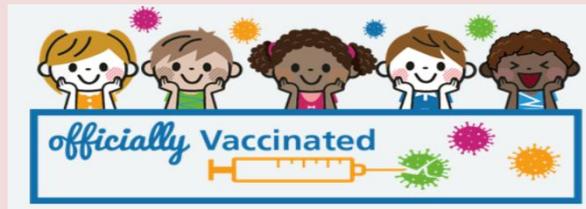
Our 'water bottles' should only contain plain water. These are being sipped-on all day so no kind of juice is allowed. Even sugar-free options are incredibly bad for your children's teeth if being drunk all day. It is fine to have a juice drink at lunch, but not in children's water bottles please. We are also having problems with sticky, messy spillages in class so please ensure that bottles only contain plain water.

ALL children should have a water bottle IN CLASS, which is kept in class. **Children on packed lunches should have a separate drink in their lunch.** This can be water, squash or fruit juice.

Please help us support healthy options and healthy life styles for your children.

FLU NASAL SPRAY

Please make a note of **WEDNESDAY 2ND OCTOBER** for your children's immunisation (**Nasal Flu Spray**)! **PLEASE SEE BELOW** from our school nurse team:



Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back to a new school term; we hope you had a lovely summer break. Your Child's flu immunisation is due this term.

It's important that all parents/carers read and respond to this message to avoid receiving further telephone calls, texts and letters from our service.

Please visit this link <https://econsent.mersecare.nhs.uk/> and complete your Child's flu form with a **yes or no** by the **13/09/24**. You can select the nasal spray for the best protection or the alternative injectable flu if required via this link.

Any forms completed late may result in your child not receiving their flu immunisation at the school session.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will help to protect them as well as more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu this year.

If you require any further support, please contact the Sefton school immunisation team on 0151 247 6130 who will be happy to help.

There is also a 2-minute video prepared for children by the NHS: [NHS Video for Kids](#)

SCHOOL UNIFORM AND PE UNIFORM

Our school uniform is part of our school identity and shows our community that our children are part of the St. George's family.

We have always tried so hard, listened to parents, and kept our uniform as cheap as possible.

While we have some items with the school logo (jumpers/cardigans; PE T-shirts) we have always said that plain jumpers and t-shirts are perfectly acceptable. The only item that children must have from the uniform shop is their school tie.

In the same way, we have kept our PE uniform as cheap and accessible as possible, without the need for expensive items.

Therefore, PLEASE can we ensure that ALL children have the following:

- Black, polishable shoes
 - Plain red t-shirt for PE
 - PLAIN black joggers for PE
 - PLAIN black hoodie for PE
- } **no sporty logos**



If children haven't got a plain black hoodie, they can wear their school jumper or cardigan.

Girls, no leggings please!

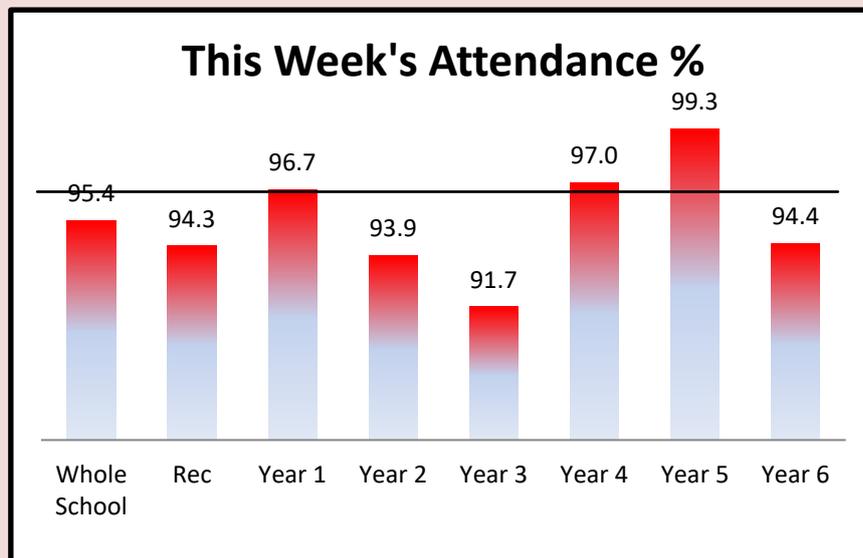
FREE ONLINE MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING

Liverpool CAMHS are offering free online training covering a number of mental health-related topics for parents such as body image, sleep, understanding and managing anxiety and understanding attachment issues. Please click the link below to book your place: <https://www.liverpoolcamhs.com/professionals/training/> Thank you.



ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance can be seen below. **The school target is 96% - as represented by the black line.**



Only 3 classes above the target again this week.

Well done to Year 1, Year 4, and especially Year 5!