



MARTYRS NEWS

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FRIDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 25 - NEWSLETTER 2



Thank you to everyone who attended the **'Meet the Teacher'** sessions. If you were unable to attend then the presentations are now available on the class pages of the school website. Please take a look to see what your child will be covering this year.

Opening Evening will take place on **Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October** - further details will be sent home soon. Finally, don't forget it is **photograph day on Monday 29th September**. All children should attend in their school uniform (evening if they normally have PE on a Monday).

Be Safe, be happy, have fun!

SCHOOL SHOES & CLOTHES

Can we please ask parents to mark all shoes and clothing that your child comes to school in. We can only return lost property that is clearly marked with the owners name.

Reception Class, in particular, are struggling to identify shoes especially as some of the boys are wearing exactly the same Adidas black shoes.

Attendance Matters!

Attendance for the year so far is **96.3%** - let's keep this up! Our target this year is **95%**.

Don't forget children who achieve 98%+ by the end of the term will receive a silver certificate and a small prize. Children who receive 98%+ by the end of the year will be entered into a draw for a large prize

Fabulous FRIDAY FIVE

Class Attendance:

1st RB - 99.7%

2nd 1A - 99.0%

3rd 2B - 98.7%

Our fabulous Friday winners receive extra playtime - Well done!

Events:

Date:	Time:	Event:
Mon 29 th Sept	all day	Kittle Photography - Individual & Family Photos
Wed 8 th Oct	2.30pm	Nur Parent Welcome Mtg
Thur 9 th Oct	2.15pm	Rec Parent Curriculum Mtg
Tue 14 th Oct	3.20pm	Y5 Parents CHET meeting
Thur 16 th Oct	All day	Flu Immunisation
Wed 22 nd Oct	9.00am	Y1/2 End of Topic (Y2 parents)
	3.30pm	Opening Evening
Thur 23 rd Oct	9.00am	Y3/4 End of Topic (Y4 parents)
	3.30pm	Open Evening

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Nursery

By Mrs McIntyre & Mrs Garvey

The children in nursery are excited about reading The Gingerbread Man this half term. They are singing the repeated rhyme and acting out the different emotions of the characters. This week they have decorated their own gingerbread man describing his features and actions.



Reception

By Mrs Morris & Mrs McMeakin

The children have loved visiting our school library. We have listened to stories together and had a chance to look around at all the books available to read. We loved sitting with our friends to share a story!



Year 1

By Mrs Halsall & Mrs Blackledge

We have been learning about day and night. We talked about how the Earth rotates. When the sun shines on Earth it is called the day time. When the Earth turns away from the sun it gets dark. It is called the night time.



Class Blogs

Have a look at what we have been doing in class. Don't forget to check out our class blogs on the school website.

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Year 2

By Mrs Sothern & Miss Drinkall

Year Two had a visit from Active Sefton on Wednesday. Ben and Emma told us all about the importance of healthy eating and showed us how to make a delicious smoothie. We used blueberries, bananas, raspberries, orange and pineapple juice. Everybody tasted the smoothie. **Edie said "It tasted really nice!"**



Year 3

By Mrs Dooley & Mr Roach

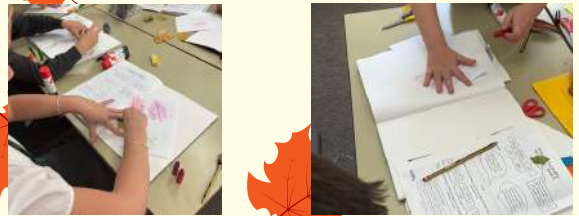
Year 3 have been learning about blending colours and sketching. It was a very relaxing.



Year 4

By Miss Tierney & Miss May

Year 4 collected leaves and used wax crayons to reveal the natural lines within the objects. This is part of our work on Giorgio Morandi in Art.



Year 5

By Mr Buckton & Miss Gray

Today the children discovered how to quickly find relevant information on a specific topic using search engines.



Year 6

By Mr Kiggins & Mrs Goulbourne

This afternoon, the children started their first lesson in our new art unit. We will be looking at drawing self-portraits but today we focused on drawing small details - using images of fruit.



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PARKING AROUND SCHOOL!

Please can you ensure that you are respectful of our neighbours at drop off and pick up time. Do not park across drives way or in Sefton Moss Villas Car Park. Also, parents are reminded that the school car park is for use of staff and deliveries only.



PTA NEWS

PTA Litter pick Saturday 4/10/25

PTA community litter pick - its on the first Saturday of each month. We meet at the school car park gates around 10.20am, leave at 10.30am for about an hour - all welcome - equipment provided. Part of the schools Social Signature initiative.



Rainbow Raffle

We are having another Rainbow Raffle this term. We are asking for donations to make the hampers prizes. Each year group will be allocated a colour and we would really appreciate donations of chocolates, sweets, wine, biscuits and other goodies in the allocated colour. Please send donations into school by Friday 17th October. The draw will take place later this term.



Nursery/Reception (Red)



Year Four (Blue)



Year One (Orange)



Year Five (Purple)



Year Two (Yellow)



Year Six (Six)



Year Three (Green)



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EM Stars



The girls won each game and didn't concede a goal in the tournament. Well done to all girls especially the Year 5 and Year 4 girls who stepped up age groups.



Year 6 won the EFC tournament and will head to the regional finals next year at Finch Farm. Thanks for all your support in the sunshine.



Well done to all the children who visited Mr Dinsdale with their amazing work and good news.

Well Done Everyone!

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Friday 19th SEPT 2025

Nursery All Day	Bobby
Nursery AM	Caleb
RA	Pippa
RB	George
1A	Harriet
1B	Sonny
2A	Teddy
2B	Sofia Grace
3A	Rainie
3B	Daisy
4A	Zachary
4B	Maia
5A	Poppy
5B	Connie
6A	James
6B	Joanne

Friday 26TH SEPT 2025

Nursery All Day	Sienna
Nursery AM	Briony
RA	Penelope
RB	Sonny
1A	Blake
1B	Rosie
2A	Penny
2B	Poppi
3A	Frankie
3B	Fearne
4A	Logan
4B	Francis
5A	Oskar
5B	Benjamin
6A	Noah
6B	Jack

KEY STAGE 1
Roman - Yr 1A

KEY STAGE 2
Abigail - Yr 4A

Well Done Everyone!



Term Dates 2025-26

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Autumn Term 2025 - (73 Days)

Term Starts:

Wednesday 3rd September

Half-term Holiday:

Monday 27th Oct - Friday 31st Oct

Term Ends:

Friday 19th December, 2pm.

Spring Term 2026 - (55 Days)

Term Starts:

Monday 5th January

Half-term Holiday

Monday 16th Feb - Friday 20th Feb

Term Ends:

Friday 27th March, 2pm.

Summer Term 2026 - (62 Days)

Term Starts:

Monday 13th April

Half-term Holiday

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Term Ends:

Thursday 16th July, 2pm.

Total Days:

190 Pupil days

195 Teacher days

Bank Holiday:

Monday 4th May

Inset Days:

Autumn 2025:

Monday 1st September

Tuesday 2nd September

Summer 2026:

Monday 1st June

Friday 17th July

Monday 20th July

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Wrap Around Care Offer

Breakfast Club:

Contact number: 0151 928 5601

We run Breakfast Club for children aged 3-11 on site by our own staff from **8am-8.45am** daily Monday to Friday.

Our Infant (**Nursery to Y2**) provision is based in the main hall (*enter via the Main School Entrance*).

Our Junior (**Y3 to Y6**) provision is based in the dining hall (*enter via the separate gate on School Lane*).

To check availability and book a place, please use the [Contact Form](#) or call the number above.



Fun4Kidz - After School Club:

Contact number: 0151 932 9218

Fun4Kidz operates on site from **3.15pm to 6.00pm** daily Monday to Friday.

Fun4Kidz works with our youngest pupils from **Nursery to Year 2**.

The sessions are **£11.15** first child (*and £10.15 for siblings*) daily and include snacks (*hot snacks when applicable*).

The sessions must be paid for in advance and are non-refundable if the child doesn't attend.

Children can be collected from any time before **6.00pm**.

Email: fun4kidzclubs@hotmail.com

L30 Community Centre, Stonyfield, Netherton, Merseyside, L30 0QS.

Need to know about funding?

If you want to find out more about what funding is available to you in terms of tax free credits and childcare vouchers, please follow the link at the bottom of the page, which will take you to our Wrap Around Care page on the school website with more information and links to follow.

For the latest info, see the page below:

<https://www.englishmartyrs.co.uk/parents/wrap-around-care>



Useful Info



Sefton Women's & Childrens Aid

Contact number: 0151 922 8606

SWACA provide holistic services to women, young people and children affected by Domestic Abuse offering both effective crisis intervention and early intervention and preventative services.



Venus Centre Charity

Contact number: 0151 474 4744

VENUS provide service to empower, promote and support women, and their children in developing their potential, recognising their choices and achieving their goals and challenging injustice.



The Trussell Trust

Contact number: 01722 580180

The trust supports a nationwide network of food banks and together they provide emergency food and support to people locked in poverty, and campaign for change to end the need for food banks in the UK.



In Your Shoes

Contact number: 0151 345 9611

Located at 100 Moss Lane the charity supports our local community.



Litherland Wellbeing Centre

Contact number: 0151 288 6661

Family Well-being Centres provide joined up support for children and young people aged 0-19 years to make family life that little bit easier.



Sefton Council

One Stop Shop: 0345 140 0845

Affordable Warmth Service: 0151 934 2222

Free School Meals: 0151 934 3263

Emergency Limited Assistance: 0151 934 3377

Sefton at Work: 0151 934 2610

For further details visit Sefton Council's website:

<https://www.sefton.gov.uk/advice-benefits/cost-of-living/>

If you are struggling and would like support please do not hesitate to contact one of the above or the school office who will assist in any way they can.