



MARTYRS NEWS

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NEWSLETTER OF ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2023 | NEWSLETTER 1



Reception Friends



BY MR DINSDALE

After another wet summer the warm weather has returned for the start of the Autumn Term. Despite the British Weather, I hope you have enjoyed a relaxing summer and special time with your families.

I am so proud of how smart all the children look especially with the new logo on our Nursery/Reception Uniform and PE Kits. Thank you to our parents/carers for making this happen.

This year is set to be yet another busy time with lots planned including the progression of our Library Project and the development of our playgrounds following confirmation of funding allocated to our school from Sefton Council. The funding has been made available due to the disposal of the land at the former St. Wilfrid's site. I will hopefully be able to share further details about both these projects later in the year.

An email was sent out earlier this week informing parents of our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions for Year 1 to Year 6. These will be held on **Monday 19th for Year 1&2, Tuesday 19th September for Y3,4&5 and Thursday 21st for Year 6**. All sessions will start at 5pm. Do not worry if you are not able to attend as all information from the sessions will be emailed to all parents/carers.

P.E Days & Swimming

BY MRS DELANEY

Year 1 - Wednesday PE

Year 2 - Tuesday PE

Year 3 - Wednesday PE

Year 4 - Thursday PE

Year 5 - Tuesday Swimming

Year 5 - Wednesday PE

Year 6 - Monday PE

Children should attend school in their PE Kits on these days. Reception/Nursery do not require a PE kit at this stage. **Reminder: Hoodies are not part of our PE kit. During colder weather children should wear their school jumper/cardigan or a green logo sweatshirt which is available from Paul's Place.**

School Uniform

BY MRS DELANEY

A reminder that our official school uniform provider is Paul's Place, Bootle Strand. Paul's Place have a range of logo and non logo items in our school colours. We have not been approached by any other supplier to use our school logo and therefore can not guarantee quality or cost.

I am aware that Paul's Place have had issues with their stock of book bags, however, they have informed me that stock will be available in the next week or so. In the meantime children are welcome to use their old bookbags or a small bag.

Please ensure that your child's name is clearly marked on all uniform items/coats. We can return lost property with out this.

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Nursery

BY MRS HALSALL

Well done to all our wonderful children for settling into Nursery so well. This week we have been making our spoon friends and drawing pictures of our faces. The children have been shown our class routines and listened to stories about starting Nursery school. Next week we will be looking at the story Dear Zoo, Exploring Sounds in Music, learning nursery rhymes and sorting coloured objects.



Reception

BY MRS MORRIS & MRS DOOLEY

The children have been amazing coming into school so independently, and settling down into school really well. We are very proud of them and sure you are too.



Year 1

BY MRS SOTHERN & MRS BLACKLEDGE

As part of our Science topic, Animals Including Humans, Year One had lots of fun learning about the different parts of the body. They enjoyed singing Head, shoulders, knees and toes and playing Simon Says. They drew around one person and labelled all the different body parts.



Year 3

BY MISS TIERNEY & MR ROACH

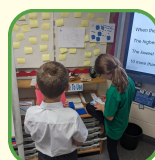
This week Year 3 have learnt to see like artists using geometric shapes to form their pictures and learning the difference between a detail grip and shading grip when creating tone in their pictures.



Year 5

BY MR BUCKTON & MISS GRAY

In Mathematics the children have been exploring numbers up to 1,000,000. We have looked at a variety of ways of how numbers can be represented, including base 10, place value counters, place value charts and part-whole models. The children enjoyed exploring the classroom and working in pairs to identify the different numbers.



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ADDvanced Solution

BY MRS WALSH

Advanced Solutions Community Network is an organisation which offers support for parents/carers of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. They run face-to-face and online groups, workshops and learning programmes covering a range of subjects. Please click on the link below to view their latest offer.

<https://www.advancedsolutions.co.uk/uploads/media/files/newsletters-sefton/Sefton%20Whats%20On%20Newsletter%20Autumn%201%202023%20Updated.pdf>

Please click on the link below to find out more about a free webinar run by The British Dyslexia Association

<https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/events/free-webinar-why-are-fractions-so-hard-strategies-and-activities-to-support-students-with-dyslexia-dyscalculia-and-other-splds>

Wednesday Word

BY MRS MCINTYRE

Wednesday Word is an outreach which shares Sunday's Gospel with all school families, in a unique way. Please see the link for this week's Wednesday Word below.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/forgiveness?pid=MTA101634&v=102.6>

Family First

BY MRS BOWDEN

Family First online magazine helping millions of families stay bored-free this. It's 100% FREE for all parents and includes the following:

- Free Family Days Out
- Family Travel
- The Great Outdoors
- What's On This Summer
- Parenting Hacks
- Children's Fashion
- Healthy Recipes
- Toys & Games
- Children's Sport



https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff_summer2023_digital160623

Stay Connected with School

BY MRS DELANEY

Make sure you stay connected with school by downloading the Arbor app today for **FREE!** The app is our main point of contact with parents. You can request detail changes via the app, update medical and other areas and also give consent/permission for various things. Class teachers may also send out messages via dojo however we encourage you not to communicate via this app but via Arbor or calling the main office. Nursery and Reception parents can also download the Tapestry app to see what work their child has been undertaking in class. If you need help setting up any of these apps please contact Mrs Delaney in them main school office.



EM STARS

Superstars!

During the summer break Issabelle, Y4B put pen to paper again and wrote a story which was chosen and is being published. Amazing work Issabelle - Well Done



If your child has any good news that they would like to share with school please get in touch. Pictures and a little bit of text can be sent to our dedicated newsletter email address.

Any news, let us know:
news@englishmartyrs.co.uk



Star of the Week

FRIDAY 8TH SEPT

1A	Emeli Iris
1B	Mason
2A	Theo
2B	Liam
3A	Carter
3B	Penny
4A	Molly
4B	Joanne
5A	Sam
5B	Oliver
6A	Taylah
6B	William



Star of the Week

FRIDAY 15TH SEPT

RA	Albert
RB	Ella
1A	Ayda
1B	Lillie
2A	Tallulah
2B	Ivy
3A	Hannah
3B	Klayton
4A	Lola
4B	Layla
5A	Jude
5B	Stephen
6A	Ryan
6B	Esther



Well done everyone!



YEAR DATES 2023/24

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AUTUMN TERM 2023

Mon 4th Sept	INSET (School closed for staff training)	
Tues 5th Sept	Term Begins	
Mon 23rd Oct	} Half Term	
Fri 27th Oct		
Mon 30th Oct	Term begins	Pupil Days - 72
Wed 20th Dec	Term ends - 2pm	Staff Days - 73

SPRING TERM 2024

Thurs 4th Jan	Term begins	
Mon 12th Feb	} Half Term	
Fri 16th Feb		
Mon 19th Feb	Term begins	Pupil Days - 56
Thurs 28th Mar	Term ends - 2pm	Staff Days - 56

SUMMER TERM 2024

Mon 15th April	Term begins	
Mon 6th May	Bank Holiday	
Mon 27th May	} Half term	
Fri 31st May		
Mon 3rd June	INSET (School closed for staff training)	
Tues 4th June	Term begins	
Thurs 18th July	Term ends - 2pm	
Fri 19th July	INSET (school closed for staff training)	
Mon 22nd July	INSET (school closed for staff training)	Pupil Days - 62
Tues 23rd July	INSET (school closed for staff training)	Staff Days - 66

Total Pupil Days - 190

Total Staff Days - 195

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.