



# MARTYRS NEWS

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NEWSLETTER OF ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### BY MR DINSDALE

Last week 82 schools and over 1640 children across Sefton took part in a relay run to raise awareness of knife crime in our local communities. Our school joined 22 other Strand Partnership Schools to celebrate the event with their own mini marathon relay. Mr Buckton, Miss Tierney and 20 of our pupils started the event by running from school to Hatton Hill School where the bleed kit baton was passed on. The baton was passed between the 22 schools and Rimrose Primary had the pleasure of bringing the baton to the finishing point at our school.

The #kNOwknifeCrime event raised a massive £12,500 across the borough. With a total of £3054 raised by Strand Partnership Schools. It truly was an amazing day.



## Attendance Matters

We had **160 STAR ATTENDERS** during the Spring term (98%+) and **113** since **SEPTEMBER!**



Year 1&2



Year 3&4



Year 5&6



Reception



## Upcoming Events:

Date:

Event:

29Apr-3May  
Fri 3 May  
6 May  
13 - 16 May  
Mon 20 May  
Fri 24 May  
27 - 31 May  
Mon 3 June  
Tues 4 June

Reception Windmill Farm Trips  
Feast of the English Martyrs Mass  
Bank Holiday - School closed  
Y6 SATS  
Y5/6 End of Topic  
Mufti-day school finishes 3pm  
Half Term  
INSET DAY  
Summer Term 2 begins

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your support with this.

Be safe, be happy,  
have fun!



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## BEEP BEEP DAY!

BY MRS MORRIS

This week Nursery to Year 2 have taken part in a very special day to learn how to stay safe near roads. We have taken part in 'Beep Beep' day. Each year group looked at a different aspect of road safety and explored it. Nursery and Reception learned how a special car seat keeps them safe in a car and why it is so important that we always use a car seat even for short journeys. Year 1 looked at the importance of holding a grown-up's hand when near or crossing roads. They also went outside to School Lane and practiced crossing safely. Year 2 learned about finding safe places to cross, they all went and found a safe place to cross the road. The children loved putting their knowledge to the test and safely crossing roads.



## Visit from Bishop Tom Neylon

BY MRS MCINTYRE

On Friday the 3rd May 2024 Bishop Tom will be visiting church and taking a Mass at 10am. Children from Years 3 to 6 will be taking part in the Feast of the English Martyrs mass. Parents are welcome to attend. Bishop Tom will visit school and meet out children after this mass.

## Nursery Admissions

BY MRS DELANEY

Our Nursery Admission process for children eligible to start in September 2024 will take place over the next few weeks. This year we are looking at the offer to parents and how we can offer more flexibility. Our nursery provision is an amazing facility with qualified teaching staff on hand to support and develop your child so they are ready for their journey into main school. If you are a working parent and are eligible to the 30 hour provision or if you are seeking part time hours then this is something we can definitely offer. Furthermore, this year we are hoping to offer 15 hour provision over a condensed week. If you would like to apply for a place please visit our school website and complete the [nursery application form](#). Alternatively, contact Mrs Delaney in the main school office for further information or to arrange a viewing of the nursery facilities.

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## Nursery

BY MRS HALSALL & MRS GARVEY

The Nursery children have enjoyed being outdoors this week in the lovely sunny weather. All day nursery children have enjoyed using the new reading circle and planting area to develop their communication and planting skills further. We also talked about wearing our seatbelts in the car for Beep! Beep! Day!



In RE, nursery children have been talking about what they did at Easter and how we remember that God gave Jesus new life on Easter Sunday. The children made Alleluia flags and we talked about the gift of the Holy Spirit. This week morning nursery had a lovely visit from two Year 3 children who came and read a story to us about recycling. They brought some items of clothing which had been made from recycled materials too.



## Year 1

BY MRS BLACKLEDGE & MRS SOTHERN

As part of our History topic Amelia Earhart Year One became detectives working out who the bag and objects belonged to. Polly said, "I liked wearing the hat and goggles." They then looked at a variety of airplanes and ordered them on a timeline from oldest to newest.



## Eco Council

BY MISS TIERNEY & MR ROACH

This Monday was Earth Day and to celebrate our Eco-Councillors used broken crayons (that would've been thrown away) to make a new rainbow crayon! Can you think of any ways you can reuse or recycle anything today to help our planet?



## Year 2

BY MISS DRINKALL & MRS MCINTYRE

Year 2 going out practicing road safety for Beep Beep day.



## Reception

BY MRS MORRIS & MRS MCMEAKIN

This week in Reception we have been very lucky to have James Fraser, from Active Sefton come into school and take us for Mindful Movement. The children had to listen very carefully and attempt some mindful poses and stretches. The children loved it and were excited to try it.



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## ADDvanced Solutions

BY MRS WALSH



Please click on the link below to view this half term's newsletter from ADDvanced Solutions outlining webinars and courses on offer to support parents/carers of children with additional needs.

<https://www.addvancedsolutions.co.uk/uploads/media/files/newsletters-sefton/SEFTON%20Whats%20On%20Newsletter%20Summer%201%202024.pdf>

## The World in Bootle International Festival

BY MISS DRINKALL

The World in Bootle International Festival is taking place this Saturday 27th at Salt and Tar from 12pm to 5pm. This will be a great family event with performers and artists from all over the world. The event is free to attend and will have lots for children to get involved with.

Children's University (Elevate) have validated this event so children can get their passport to learning stamped at the giant board games that are being run by In Another Place, so remember to take it along with you.



## Breakfast Club Drop offs

BY MRS DELANEY

Parents are reminded that when dropping your child off at Breakfast Club that they are brought to the front door and not left to walk into school by themselves. Staff will be on hand to safely collect your child from you.

## PTA Volunteers

BY MS PANKIW

We are always looking for new members for our PTA. Could you spare an hour a month to attend the meeting or even put forward your name so we can put you on the occasional volunteers list where we send out messages asking for help for events if you are free! If you are interested in finding out more, please send Andrea a message on 07803 778991 or email [apankiw@englishmartyrs.co.uk](mailto:apankiw@englishmartyrs.co.uk)



## EM Stars

Well done to everyone who came to see Mr Dinsdale this week with their good news.



If you have any lovely news to share, please let us know via e-mail or by bringing the certificate, medal or award in on a Friday to show me!

Any news, let us know:  
[news@englishmartyrs.co.uk](mailto:news@englishmartyrs.co.uk)

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## Star of the Week

### FRIDAY 19TH APRIL

Nursery All Day Gracie  
Nursery AM Aubrey  
RA Henry  
RB Mason  
1A Nevaeh  
1B Noah  
2A Esme  
2B Jack  
3A Samuel  
3B Isabella  
4A Evlyn  
4B Shea  
5A Olivia  
5B Bruno  
6A Taylah  
6B Emmie

### FRIDAY 26TH APRIL

Nursery All Day Darcey  
Nursery AM Frankie  
RA Shea  
RB Pixie  
1A Dollie  
1B Joseph  
2A Seren  
2B Delilah  
3A Penelope  
3B Reeva  
4A Mason  
4B Marnie  
5A Mia  
5B Noah  
6A Bailey  
6B Harlow





# 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*



# YEAR DATES 2024/25

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## AUTUMN TERM 2024

Mon 2nd Sept	INSET (School closed for staff training)	
Tue 3rd Sept	INSET (School closed for staff training)	
Wed 4th Sept	Term Begins	
Mon 28th Oct	} Half Term	
Fri 1st Nov		
Mon 4th Nov	Term begins	Pupil Days - 73 Staff Days - 75
Fri 20th Dec	Term ends - 2pm	

## SPRING TERM 2025

Mon 6th Jan	Term begins	
Mon 17th Feb	} Half Term	
Fri 21st Feb		
Mon 24th Feb	Term begins	Pupil Days - 60 Staff Days - 60
Fri 4th Apr	Term ends - 2pm	

## SUMMER TERM 2025

Tue 22th April	Term begins	
Mon 5th May	Bank Holiday	
Mon 26th May	} Half term	
Fri 30th May		
Mon 2nd June	INSET (School closed for staff training)	
Tues 3rd June	Term begins	
Fri 18th July	Term ends - 2pm	
Mon 21st July	INSET (school closed for staff training)	Pupil Days - 57 Staff Days - 60
Tue 22nd July	INSET (school closed for staff training)	

*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.