



MARTYRS NEWS

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FRIDAY 11TH JULY 2025 - NEWSLETTER 19



Oliver with a twist!



Where did the year go!

I wish to thank all the children for their hard work this year. Each and every one of them has tried their very best and it is evident in their fantastic class work, exercise books and class displays.

As part of the transition process all the children have visited their new class and teacher this week. A letter will be emailed home today detailing your child's new class teacher.

I would like to say a special **Well Done!** to our Year 6 children who excelled this week with their performance of 'Oliver with a Twist!' They have showcased their talents and shown everyone what they are capable of. I am extremely proud of everyone of them.

On Friday 18th July, they will leave school for the final time and we will hold a 'Guard of honour' at the end of the day as the children leave the building.

Enjoy your summer break, whatever you do and wherever you go. Best wishes to you all.

Be Safe, be happy, have fun!

Attendance Matters!

Attendance certificates for the summer term will be awarded on Wednesday 16th July. Children who have achieved 100% attendance will be entered into a draw with a chance to win a very special prize.

Fabulous FRIDAY FIVE

Class Attendance:

1st 3B & 4B - 97.7%

2nd 2A - 96.7%

3rd 1A - 96.6%

Events:

Date:	Time:	Event:
Mon 14 th Jul	9.00am	End of Topic - Y5 Parents invited
Tue 15 th Jul	9.00am	End of Topic - Nursery parents invited
Wed 16 th Jul	9.00am	End of Topic - Y2 parents invited
Thu 17 th Jul	1.00pm	End of Topic - Y3 parents invited Y6 PTA leavers party

Term Ends on Friday 18th July at 2pm
Mufti Day for Nursery - Year 5

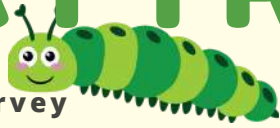
School re-opens on

Wednesday 3rd September

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Nursery

By Mrs McIntyre & Mrs Garvey



The children in nursery have been busy creating a caterpillar platter this week. They even used lettuce grown in our nursery garden. It was fascinating to see how many children tried foods they wouldn't normally eat because it was part of our very hungry caterpillar!



In Nursery we have been matching, sorting and comparing in Maths. We planned a birthday party and organised the correct number of items needed. We also played skittles outdoors and recorded our results using marks and numbers.

Reception

By Mrs Morris & Mrs McMeakin

This week the children are reflecting on our time in Reception. We have talked about what we have enjoyed, what we found tricky and all the activities we have loved. We then made dream catchers, threading wool, beads and feathers together thinking about our dreams and hopes for year 1.

We have also been making friendship bracelets! We have talked about the friends we have made in Reception and what we like to do with them. We used our fine motor skills to thread beads onto the string.



FRIENDS

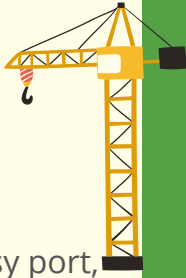
Year 1

By Mrs Halsall & Mrs Blackledge

We have been learning about Inukshuks in year 1. An inukshuk is made of stones or boulders placed on top of one another to create a figure, usually for the purpose of communicating with others to help in navigation and hunting. They are an important part of Inuit culture. The children cut out the different shapes to create their own inukshuk.



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Year 2

By Mrs Sothern & Miss Drinkall

This week Year Two visited Peel Ports. They had a fantastic time learning all about the busy port, its imports and exports. The children were lucky enough to be given a guided tour of the site watching the containers being loaded and unloaded. They anxiously watched the control room maneuvering the giant containers on and off the waiting wagons. The best part was being able to sit in the crane simulator and have a turn for themselves.



I liked sitting in the big seat to control the crane to pick up and drop the containers.
-Daisy

I enjoyed being in the simulator because it felt like I was in a real crane.
-Ethan



Year 3

By Mrs Dooley & Mr Roach

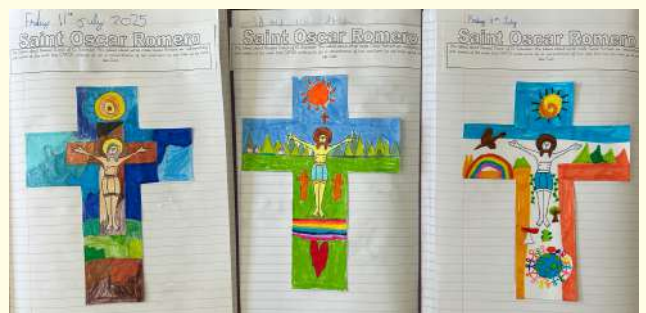
In year three we have been exploring structures in Design Technology. We looked at different bridges and explored ways to make a strong structure. We designed and built our own bridges.



Year 4

By Miss Tierney & Miss May

This week, as part of our RE topic 'God's People' we have been learning about the life of Oscar Romero and about the support he gave to the poor people in El Salvador. We created our own versions of a 'Romero' cross using examples as guidance.



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Year 5

By Mr Buckton & Miss Gray

As part of transition day, the current Year 5 pupils created guides for Year 4 on what they will need and some top tips for doing their best next year.



Year 6

By Mr Kiggins & Mrs Goulbourne

It's that time of year again - Year 6 Summer Production Week. This week, the school hall has been turned into English Martyrs Catholic Primary School Theatre. Our Year 6 children have been working so hard over the past weeks to put together our production of Oliver! with a Twist and it has been lovely to watch them all shine so bright on the stage. From actors to singers, lighting, sound and stage crew - all of the children have really grown over the whole process. We hope you enjoyed our performance - what a send off to our time at English Martyrs.



Song Club

Mrs McIntyre

Well done to the children in our song club on a super performance for their parents and carers. We have some fantastic singers and we are so proud of the way they learned the songs and sign language. Keep singing children!



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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Family Support Information

Mrs Bowden

As we look forward to school holidays, we recognise that some children, young people, and families may be finding things tough right now. We want you to know where you can go to get some ideas to help with your wellbeing, or get advice, support, or help at this time.

The Childline Website has some great activities and advice for both children and parents. It would be great if you could look at this with your child and explore the activities that are on offer. They have a range of games, activities and advice for anxiety, loneliness, boredom, friendships and going back to school.

Childline – online and on the phone <https://www.childline.org.uk/kids/>
0800 1111

The links below have information and advice for supporting your child's emotional well-being over the summer.

Further information can also be found on the Well-being Hub on the school website. Please take a look below for further information.

Anna Freud Centre resources For adoptive parents, special guardians and foster parents: <https://www.annafreud.org/parents-and-carers/adoptive-parents-special-guardians-and-fostercarers/> For parents and carers: <https://www.annafreud.org/parents-and-carers/resources/>
Apps with self help strategies reviewed by Anna Freud Centre, including self-harm reduction Strategies: <https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/self-care/apps-delivering-self-help-strategies/>

When emotions explode (Young Minds) Young Minds have also created a useful poster highlighting ways to give support to children when they have angry feelings or outbursts and may help families start a conversation and talk about each other's feelings. Download the poster here: <https://youngminds.org.uk/media/4291/when-emotions-explode-poster.pdf>

Kooth - online emotional and mental health support ages 11-18
[https://www.kooth.com/kooth.com/urgent-support\(for-a-crisis-service\)](https://www.kooth.com/kooth.com/urgent-support(for-a-crisis-service))

Family Action, managing children over the summer Holidays
<https://family-action.org.uk/self-help/managing-children-over-the-summer-holidays/>

Report online abuse <https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre>

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EM Stars



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

Well Done Everyone!

Good
NEWS!

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

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Stars of the Week!

Friday 4th JULY 2025

Nursery All Day	Hallie
Nursery AM	Holly
RA	Betsy Jo
RB	Benjamin
1A	Leo
1B	Luke
2A	Jude
2B	Lucas
3A	Harrison
3B	Francis
4A	Riley
4B	George
5A	Logan
5B	Georgie
6A	Alexis
6B	Toby

Friday 11TH JULY 2025

Nursery All Day	Thomas
Nursery AM	Nala
RA	Gracie
RB	Oiver
1A	Orla
1B	Ivy Rose
2A	Albie
2B	Charlotte
3A	Ethan
3B	Jade
4A	Daniel
4B	Penny
5A	Nola
5B	Tilly
6A	Charles
6B	Grace

Golden Pen

KEY STAGE 1
Tayler - Yr 1A

KEY STAGE 2
Heidi- Yr 5A



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.



LYCC - After School Club:

Contact number: 0151 286 5331

LYCC operates off site and offers a complete collection and drop-off service via walking bus from **3.15pm to 5.45pm** daily Monday to Friday.

LYCC works with our older pupils from Year 3 to Year 6 due to the nature of their setting and staffing.

Fee payments for sessions and payment plans will be arranged on an individual basis with Parents / Guardians. However, session costs are non-refundable if the child doesn't attend.

Children can be collected from any time before **5.45pm**.

Email: office.lycc@yahoo.com

Litherland Youth & Community Centre, 41 Sefton Road, Litherland, L219HD.

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.