



# Childwall CE Primary School

## Newsletter

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Thank you to everyone who attended our teacher/family consultation meetings this week, either in person or virtually. I hope you've all gone away with a good level of understanding of your children's experiences in school and just how they are doing; working in partnership between school and home is always what we aim for and please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any further questions. A big thank you to teachers and school staff who prepared for and engaged in these meetings and worked collaboratively to engage the children in activities to facilitate those meetings that took place during the school afternoon.

We are now excitedly preparing for and anticipating our Christmas events and, again, look forward to seeing many of you celebrating with us over the next few weeks. Please see Breakfast with Santa & Junior Disco arrangements too – as always, we don't want any child missing out on these events for financial reasons – please just let me know, in confidence, if this is a concern and we will help out.

*And the child grew and became strong; He was full of wisdom and God's blessings were upon Him." (Luke 2:40)*



### School Values Certificate

This week's certificates were awarded to children for: For excellent playground/lunchtime behaviour.

EYFS: For being thoughtful and looking out for others.

Class 1: Mila and Freya

Class 2: Amelia and Alana

Class 3: Elliot and John

Class 4: George and Oliver

Class 5: Rae and Joseff

Class 6: Cara and Harley

Class 7: Daniel and Annie

Class 8: Jasmine and Lewis

Class 9: Isaac and Olivia

Class 10: Thea and Harry

Class 11: Cecilia and Sofia

Class 12: Emily and Jack

Class 13: Youngeun and Jessica

Class 14: Darcey and Erika



Class 1: Freya - Thankfulness

Class 2: Scarlett - Friendship

Class 3: Luna - Friendship

Class 4: Kaleel - Friendship

Class 5: Mikey - Friendship

Class 6: Annie - Friendship

Class 7: Honor - Kindness

Class 8: Lydia - Kindness

Class 9: Sebastian - Friendship

Class 10: Oliver - Thankfulness

Class 11: Harry - Friendship

Class 12: Noah - Thankfulness

Class 13: Harry - Thankfulness

Class 14: Holly - Friendship



# Breakfast with Santa

(includes selection box  
and photograph)



**Reception 11th Dec**

**Year 1 12th Dec**

**Year 2 13th Dec**

**Starts 8am**

**Buy Tickets £6 available at ...**



## Classlist



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# Christmas Disco

20th December

Tickets £6 each available at



**Classlist**

Snack, drink and glowstick included



Years 3 and 4 @ 5.15pm to 6.15pm

Years 5 and 6 @ 6.30pm to 7.30pm

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## EYFS

This week, we were 'blown away' by yet another story involving stormy weather! Our learning centred on the story of 'Percy the Park Keeper - After the Storm' written by Nick Butterworth. This inspired us to learn more about the different types of weather we experience throughout the seasons. We even became super weather detectives as we learned the weather symbols used on the weather forecast; we were able to say what weather we would expect just by looking at the symbols! In maths, we have been practising one more and one less and the composition of numbers up to 5. In phonics this week, we have learned the GPCs /z/ /zz/ /qu/ and /ch/. Our teachers are so proud of us and can't believe how well we are applying our knowledge of our new digraphs when reading! We also learned the tricky words *go*, *no*, *to* and *into*. This week, we also enjoyed learning our new Collective Worship songs and spending time with the Year 6 RE ambassadors. Finally, we had lots of fun in our continuous provision; we even put on our own talent show in our Woodland West-End Theatre! What a busy and fun-filled week!







## OUR TALENT SHOW



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## Year 1

Year 1 have been studying photos of places and deciding whether the places are near to us or far away. They were really good at looking for clues! They worked really well in groups to sort their photos under 'near' or 'far' labels.





## Year 2

As part of our 'Animals including humans' unit, Year 2 investigated the hypothesis that the oldest child in the class must be the tallest. We measured different body parts, collated our results and discovered that the hypothesis was false.



**IS THE OLDEST PERSON ALWAYS  
THE TALLEST?**

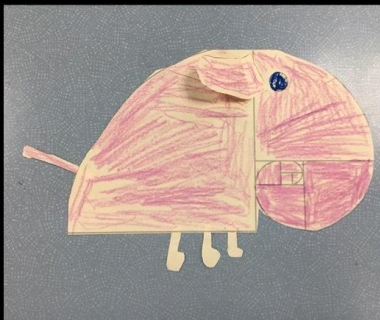


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## Year 3

This week Year 3 celebrated Fibonacci day. We used oil pastels to create our own art inspired by the Fibonacci spiral.

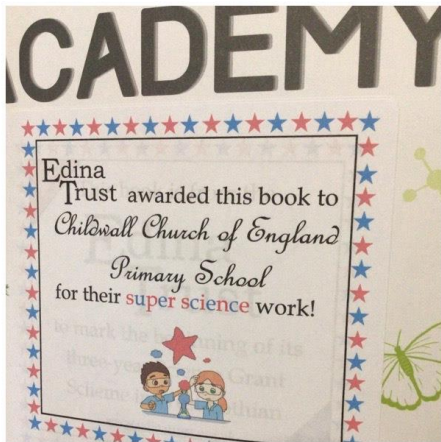








We were delighted to find out that this week we won a competition for our super science work. We had submitted some of our work to The Edina Trust and they chose our super science, sending us 2 books as a prize! The books are beautiful and we are particularly happy as one of them is about skeletons which we are studying in class.





## Year 4

The children came back from collective worship on Wednesday to discover the whole classroom was in darkness. As they sat down, we lit a candle and looked at the flame. We discussed how the flame flickered and danced and how the light filled up parts of the darkness. We thought about how the light symbolises Jesus, filling our hearts and minds as "The light of the world". The children then chose to write a prayer or an acrostic poem on a candle.

We also celebrated Fibonacci day on Thursday and had lots of fun completing Fibonacci sequences and making spirals. Did you know that you can see Fibonacci spirals throughout nature?

Being unkind happens to everyone and sometimes friends can be unkind to each other but they don't realise the consequences of their words and actions. We watched a video of 2 children that had fallen out and we put ourselves in each child's place so we could emphasise with them. We then had to write or draw what we thought the children were thinking and discuss a resolution.





## Year 5

Year 5 have had a very busy week learning all about orangutans in English, creating their own double page fact files and then using their findings to write non-chronological reports. The children have been so invested in studying these majestic creatures and learning about the importance of only using sustainable products in order to support conservation efforts. In history, the children have been learning more about the Egyptians and the significance of the River Nile. They also got their own 'mobile phones' to learn the key vocabulary for the topic! They completed their own 'VocAPPulary' devices before taking part in our 'Who Wants to be a Millionaire?' Egyptian vocabulary quiz! Well done, everyone!





## Year 6

Year 6 had a fabulous time creating their own websites all about World War Two!

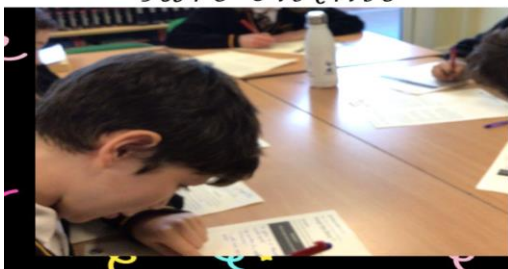


### Year 6 computing week- website creation



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This week has been Year 6's computing week, they have enjoyed creating their very own website! We started the topic with a 'common sense media' internet safety lesson based on digital friendships. The children discussed the meaning of a digital friendship and the best way to keep safe when having a digital friendship. Well done on your very mature viewpoints and ideas, Year 6.



Computing-staying  
safe online

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## Wonderful Words!

This week, the children have been learning to use fantastic vocabulary across the curriculum. Can your child explain the meaning of their word to you?

This week's words:

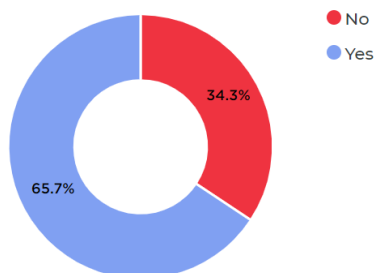
EYFS weather	Year 1 conjunction	Year 2 Multiple of 10	
Year 3 Fibonacci	Year 4 Fibonacci	Year 5 amulet	Year 6. persuasive

## VOTES FOR SCHOOLS PRIMARY

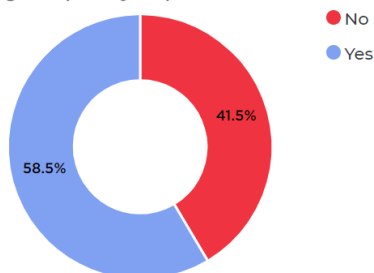
Last week, our Votes for Schools topics was 'Does your school do enough to deal with bullying?'. Last week marked anti-bullying week, a very important week that is discussed each year in our school. This year the children discussed the strategies that we have in our school for dealing with bullying, with a special mention to online safety, something that in our current world is very important. The children came up with some fantastic ideas, including a buddying system, and we'll be working to action many of their recommendations.

When asked to vote on the question – 'Does your school do enough to deal with bullying?'. 65.7% of our pupils felt that yes this compares to 58.5% nationally. A big well done to all of the children on their discussions centred around a very important topic.

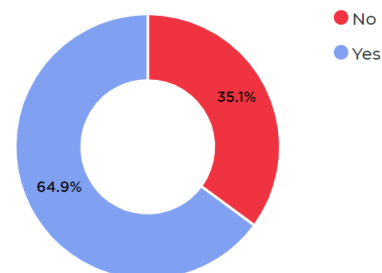
Your School



Regional (Merseyside)



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Hello it is your school council here, Henry and Joseph; we will be discussing what has been going on in our school this week. Let's start off with Wednesday. To start off let's talk about the Year 5 and 6 sports hall athletics team who won the city finals to qualify for the Merseyside Finals. It was also the lower Juniors had their parents evening. Year six have been practising for the very exciting upcoming Christmas Carol concert. Then on Friday we had a good assembly.

Thank you for reading,

Henry (year 5 school council) and Joe (year 6 school council)



## Online Safety:

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [nationalonline-safety.com](https://nationalonline-safety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

### Top Tips for Safer Online Shopping on

# BLACK FRIDAY AND CYBER MONDAY

Black Friday and Cyber Monday have become established as two of the year's biggest shopping events, giving consumers the opportunity to snap up a stash of stunning bargains. While this is generally good news, of course, the resultant retail frenzy can lead to people dropping their guard – especially online. In previous years, a seasonal surge in cyber-crime has seen schemes such as phishing emails and credit card scams being unleashed on unwary buyers. Our guide has some essential pointers on keeping your details – and your money – safe while you shop.

#### ENSURE A SITE'S SECURE

Before inputting sensitive information (like your card details) into a website, check that the site's secure. The key thing is to look for a padlock symbol in the address bar and check that the URL begins with "https://" – the "s" indicates that the web address has been encrypted with an SSL certificate. Without that, any data entered on the site could be intercepted by criminal third parties.

#### TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS

If a deal seems too good to be true, then it probably is. Be especially wary if a site offering unbelievable discounts doesn't look professional (for example, if it's covered with pop-up adverts or it looks particularly outdated) – this often serves as a red flag that the seller might not be entirely trustworthy. Minimise risk by sticking with well-known, reputable retailers instead.

#### REVIEW BANK STATEMENTS

Even if you've followed all our tips, it's probably worth checking your next bank statement for any unusual transactions. Criminals know that on Black Friday and Cyber Monday, lots of people make numerous purchases online; they're hoping that any stolen money will get lost in the crowd of other transactions. If you see a payment or payee you can't identify, raise it with your bank straight away.

#### BEWARE OF SUSPICIOUS EMAILS

Black Friday and Cyber Monday often bring a significant spike in phishing emails, as criminals use the events' sense of urgency as cover for stealing personal information. Even if they look legitimate, be wary of emails requiring you to do something unusual or suspicious: providing your personal details in exchange for access to last-minute deals, for example, or clicking on a link to an unfamiliar site.

#### CHECK IT'S THE REAL DEAL

It's not just cybercriminals you need to be wary of. Research has shown that some online retailers increase the price of certain items in the weeks before Black Friday and Cyber Monday – enabling them to then advertise "discounts" (which, in reality, have simply restored the cost to normal levels). Use an online price comparison tool to verify whether these "reductions" truly equate to a saving.

#### MINIMISE MICROTRANSACTIONS

Black Friday and Cyber Monday promotions extend to digital items as well as physical ones. Some gaming companies will offer discounts on in-app and in-game microtransactions such as loot boxes. If you're concerned about how much your child might spend on these upgrades, you can restrict their ability to make purchases (via their device's settings) or remove any linked payment methods.

#### SET STURDY PASSWORDS

A strong, unique password is one of the most straightforward ways to protect yourself from cyber-crime. As most of us have multiple online shopping accounts, it can be tempting to use the same password for them all – but this puts your personal data at greater risk. You could try using a password manager to create a different, robust password for each online retailer that you visit.

#### DITCH THE DEBIT CARD

Where possible, it's safest to shop online with a credit card (as opposed to a debit card) because it offers additional protection. If a purchase is made fraudulently on your credit card, there's a fair chance of your bank reimbursing you. Should criminals obtain your debit card details, however, they could empty your account in moments – and it can be difficult to recover your money.

#### RESIST THE INFLUENCE

Recommendations from social media influencers are another thing to remain vigilant for on Black Friday and Cyber Monday. While many of these will be legitimate, remember that influencers are often paid to promote products – and to publicise deals that aren't quite as amazing as they might seem. Don't feel pressured into buying purely on their advice; look at everything with a critical eye.

#### TAKE CARE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media scammers are more active on Black Friday and Cyber Monday, as they know people are hunting for deals online. These scammers tend to concentrate on platforms such as Facebook and Instagram, posting malicious links that can compromise shoppers' personal details. Other scammers, meanwhile, falsely advertise products in an attempt to trick users out of their hard-earned cash.

#### Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid *The Inquirer*, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.



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# Parent Workshops

We are delighted to let you know that we have arranged two parent/carer workshops with the **ASD Training Team**. The first workshop, on **Thursday 8th February** will focus on **social communication**. The second workshop, on **Thursday 22nd February** will focus on **behaviour**. The workshops will take place in the Ark from **9.15am-11.45am**. Both sessions are to be attended and are primarily for parents/carers with concerns about their child or for those awaiting an ASD diagnosis outcome. Parents/carers of children who have already been diagnosed with ASD are also welcome to attend, if they feel that they would benefit from the support.

I will include additional information in the newsletter in January and ask for confirmation of those attending but, for now, please make a note of the dates, if you are interested.

Mrs. Rice (SENDCo).

Attendance for wb 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Class 7	Class 8	Class 9	Class 10	Class 11	Class 12	Class 13	Class 14
96.3%	94.8%	97.3%	99.3%	95.6%	90%	93.6%	94%	98.1%	95.8%	91.6%	94.3%	97%	95.2%

Whole school attendance= **95.2%**

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

## Food Bank

Our fabulous science ambassadors in Year 6 have been researching some specific food items which are particularly requested as donations for Food Bank. Not only have they found out a list of foods and other items that are in short supply and particularly welcomed, they have further extended their investigative skills to research just why specific foods are nutritionally valuable.

Each week, they will be inviting families to donate specific items for us to take to food bank.

**For the next 2 weeks, the children invite you to consider donating tins of rice pudding, or similar. These can be handed in at the gate any morning.**



Here's what they've asked me to share with you:

### Rice Pudding Facts:

- Rice pudding contains Vitamins B1, B2, D, A & C
- Rice is a really good source of fibre
- A serving of rice pudding contains just over 10g of protein
- Rice pudding contains a low level of fat
- Carbohydrates are a main feature of rice pudding, giving Energy throughout your body
- Milk is good for your bones
- Milk puddings contain calcium





# Thank You God for our food today

A reminder of the options for school dinners:

1. Packed Lunch for Junior Children
2. Packed Lunch with Fishy Friday for Junior Children
3. School Dinner

Once you have selected an option, this will need to remain the option for the remainder of the half term. This ensures that our kitchen staff are able to order and prepare the correct number of school meals. The cost of a school dinner is £2.20 per day and must be paid for **weekly in advance**. All infant children receive a Universal Free School Meal.

 <h2>PRIMARY LUNCH MENU</h2> 					
Week 4 w/c 27th Nov	MEAT FREE	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday St Andrew's Day	Friday
Soup of the Day	Carrot and Coriander	Pea	Red Pepper Soup	Chef Choice	Chef Choice
Main Meal	Wholemeal Pizza and Wedges	Chicken Katsu Curry with Rice	Carbonara Penne Pasta Bake with Garlic Bread	Mince and Tatties	Battered Fish and Chips with Beans
Meat Free Main Meal	Broccoli and Cream Cheese Pasta Bake	Spanish Omelette with salad	Vegetable and Rice Enchiladas	Quorn Stovies	Veggie Sausage Rolls
Side dish	Wedges	Rice	Pasta	Potatoes	Chips
Vegetable	Peppers	Peas and Sweetcorn	Tomatoes	Peas	Baked Beans
Dessert	Fresh Fruit Salad	German Apple Cake/ Fresh Fruit	Sticky Toffee Pudding/ Yoghurt	Shortbread/Fresh Fruit	Rich 'Chocolate' Cookie/ Yoghurt
Jacket Potatoes with tuna, cheese or beans, Salad, Hummus, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurts available daily		Ask Chef about the Daily Special		Please speak to a member of school staff about any dietary requirements	



## Dates for the Diary

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am -Year 5 Christmas celebration with families in school hall
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am -Year 4 Christmas celebration with families in school hall
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am -Year 3 Christmas celebration with families in school hall
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5 Trip to Museum
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 4 Trip to Eureka
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Nativity in school hall – Families welcome. Time TBC
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30 am - Year 1 Christmas songs performance for families
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	School Santa Dash
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Breakfast with Santa
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	6.00pm – KS2 Carol Concert led by Year 6
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 Breakfast with Santa
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 Breakfast with Santa
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 Nativity for families
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 Nativity for families
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS trip to Farmer Ted's
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Party Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Party Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 trip to Story Barn
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Disco supported by PTFA – further information to follow
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Party Day
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Finish for Christmas 1.15pm
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	New school term starts today.

Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	C8 LIPA performance.
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	C7 LIPA performance.
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
WC 11 <sup>th</sup> March	STEM futures week.
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Pi day celebration.
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	B Tales Easter performance. KS1 AM KS2 PM
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March to Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 residential – Winmarleigh Hall
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Finish for hols 1.15pm

## Residentials 2024

<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>	<b>Year 2 – 1 night residential to Barnstondale.</b>
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March to Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>	<b>Year 4 – 2 night residential to PGL Winmarleigh Hall</b>
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May to Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024</b>	<b>Year 6 – 2 night residential to PGL Boreatton Park.</b>



*And The Child Grew...Luke 2:40*



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