

Childwall CE Primary School

Newsletter



Friday 6th March 2026

SCHOOL DISCO

Our school disco is taking place in a few weeks' time (see leaflet to the left), and the PTA have been busy planning what promises to be a fantastic event. The disco will be facilitated by Angels and Scallies, so the children are certainly in for a wonderful evening. Tickets cost £5 and are available to purchase via Arbor under the Trips section.



The PTA will also be running a tuck shop where hot dogs, cakes and a selection of small snacks will be available to buy. Fruit and water will be available free of charge.

On the day of the disco, children should come to school in their full uniform and bring their disco clothes in a named bag. They will be given plenty of time after school to get changed and ready for the evening, so please be assured we will have them looking their best! Children who would like to buy items from the tuck shop should bring their money into school on the day of the disco in a named envelope.

If your child has any allergies that are different from the records currently held by school, please let us know as soon as possible.

EASTER HAT PARADE

Following the very positive feedback from our pumpkin event in the autumn, the PTA are delighted to be hosting an Easter Hat Parade. All children are invited to work with their families to create their own Easter hat. This could be an Easter bonnet, a baseball cap, a basket-style hat, or any other creative design of your choosing. The cost to enter is £3, and prizes will be awarded for the top three hats, judged by an independent judge.

We will be inviting families into school at 2pm to watch the parade and see all of the wonderful creations. Please do not worry if you are unable to attend, as we will share photos and videos on Dojo so everyone can enjoy the event.

CALENDAR

I have once again included the half term's important dates on the last page of the newsletter so that you do not miss any key events or important dates coming up in school. You may notice that some dates have changed from those originally shared at the beginning of the year. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause, but please be assured that any changes are unavoidable.

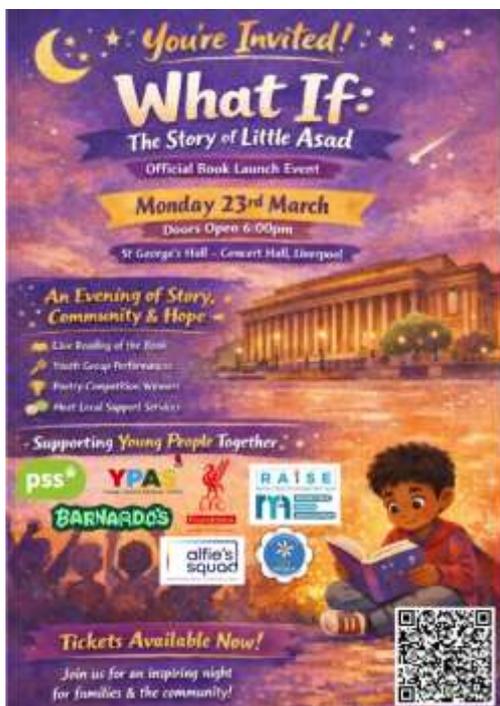
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WORLD BOOK DAY

We had a wonderful World Book Day at school this year. A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for their support with the fantastic costumes. So much thought and effort went into them, and it was wonderful to see the creativity on display. We enjoyed our annual costume parade, and it was lovely to see the children delighting in each other's outfits and sharing their favourite characters. There were also lots of book-themed



activities taking place throughout the week. These included live lessons from famous authors such as Michael Rosen, as well as our popular "Guess the Member of Staff Reading" challenge, which the children thoroughly enjoyed. Year 1 were lucky enough to visit The Reader at Calderstones Park, where they met two authors, Katie Blackburn and Paddy Donnelly. The children also received a free copy of their book, *The Big Bang*. Thank you to the parents and carers who supported us on this trip. EYFS also took part in a fantastic fairytale workshop based on the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk*, where the children used their imagination to explore the story and bring it to life through creative activities. It has been a brilliant week celebrating books, stories and the joy of reading! Long may it continue!

SOPHIA MELIA VISIT

Following on from Sophie Melia's inspiring visit to kick off our World Book Week, we would like to share details of her Book Launch taking place at St George's Hall. Scan the QR code for free tickets to the event! Please see the leaflet on the left.

PGL

It is safe to say that our Year 4 children have travelled back today from PGL after a fantastic, fun-filled three days at PGL Winmarleigh Hall. During their stay, they had the opportunity to take part in a wide range of activities that encouraged teamwork, challenged them to step outside their comfort zones, and helped them build confidence — all while having a brilliant time with their friends. The children showed great enthusiasm and resilience as they tried new experiences and supported one another throughout the trip. It is fair to say they will all sleep very well tonight!

A huge thank you to the staff who accompanied the children and ensured they were safe, well cared for, and able to enjoy such a memorable experience. Trips like these create very special memories that will stay with the children for years to come.

EYFS STAY AND PLAY

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for today's Stay and Play session. We know that children are not always the most reliable at explaining what they have been up to at school, so it is always lovely for you to see first-hand the classroom environment, the areas your children enjoy spending time in, and how they play and learn alongside their friends. It was wonderful to welcome you into the setting and share a small part of the children's school day together.

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Our award winners

House Point
Winners this
week are:

TBC next week

Merit Achievement Award Winner

- RO** Polly - For amazing progress in Phonics
- RG** Arabella - For always being an excellent role model!
- Y1B** Matilda - For great turn taking this week!
- Y1G**
- Y2C** Emily - Putting 100% effort into every lesson
- Y2M** Evelyn - For fantastic work during our maths topic of fractions!
- Y3J** Teddy - for creating some excellent similes and metaphors
- Y3K** Maxwell - for excellent engagement with our class novels
- Y4F** The Whole of Year 4 for being respectful on their trip
- Y4K** The Whole of Year 4 for being respectful on their trip
- Y5D** Aviya - For excellent collaboration working on angles in maths
- Y5K** Nathan - For being a fantastic mathematician!
- Y6RP** Ella- Fantastic effort in maths this week- well done!
- Y6M** Verity - For her hard work and continued progress in Maths

Christian Value Award

- Indie - For always showing kindness to others.
- Luis - For always showing kindness to others.
- Adam - For always demonstrating our school rules.
- William - Standing out all week for how he demonstrates our school values.
- Vinny - For great perseverance with his maths and English work this week!
- Joshua - for showing compassion to others
- Aya - for always being ready, respectful and resilient
- The Whole of Year 4 for being respectful on their trip
- The Whole of Year 4 for being respectful on their trip
- John - For always being a patient and supportive friend and partner
- Lewin - For being a kind, caring and compassionate friend to others
- Francesca - working collaboratively with others
- Angus - For always being a kind and supportive friend.

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Below is an outline of the National Curriculum times tables expectations for each year group:

Year 1 Count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10. Recall and use doubles of all numbers to 10 and corresponding halves.

Year 2 Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables.

Year 3 Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables.

Year 4 Recall multiplication and division facts for all multiplication tables up to 12 x 12.

Year 5 & 6 Revision of all times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12.

TTRS Battle of the Bands Results		This week's Times Tables Rockstars	
Year 2	2C	Y2	2C - Christos, Evie S, Sienna F
			2M – Alex Mc, Darcie R, Thomas M
Year 3	3K	Y3	3J – Josie H, Joshua G, Ellie H
			3K - Rose A, Henrietta J, Yasmin F
Year 4	4K	Y4	4F – Alice W, James B, Elizabeth Mc
			4K – Gethin, Lauryn, Joseff
Year 5	5D	Y5	5D – Ryan A, Logan K, Jake B
			5K – Abigail C, Theo G, Nathan R
Year 6	6RP	Y6	6M – Elliot G, Jonah, Zoe W
			6RP – Isaac O, Sienna H, Alex O

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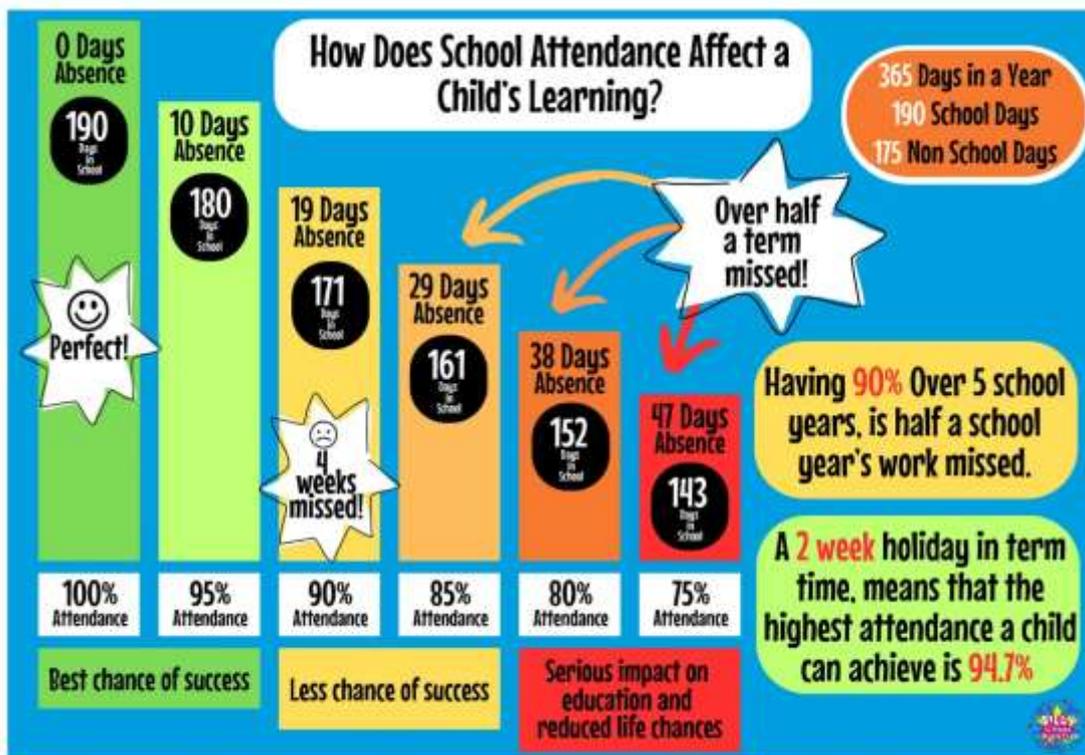
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Our attendance

We know how busy mornings can be, but we wanted to take a moment to remind everyone just how important good attendance and punctuality are for our children. Being in school every day – and arriving on time – helps children feel settled, confident and ready to learn alongside their friends. Even missing the odd day here and there can really add up over time. The infographic below shows the impact of missed school and how it can affect children’s learning, friendships and confidence as they move through school. We’d really encourage you to take a look.

Of course, we completely understand that some children have genuine circumstances that prevent them from attending school, such as health or medical needs. These situations are absolutely understandable, and we always appreciate open communication so we can support families in the best way possible. Thank you, as always, for working with us to give our children the best possible start. Every day in school makes a difference!



Whole School Attendance- this week	Class Attendance			
	RO	99.3%	RG	98.3%
95.6%	Y1B	98%	Y1G	97.3%
Whole School Attendance- to date (this academic year)	Y2C	99%	Y2M	99%
96.5%	Y3J	99.3%	Y3K	100%
Class Attendance Winners	Y4F	98.5%	Y4K	99.3%
3K	Y5D	98.7%	Y5K	93.7%
	Y6M	96.9%	Y6RP	99.4%

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Our family of faith

Our Christian
Value this term
is:

LOVE

A reflection of love from Mrs Kennedy

As we move further into half term, some of our children have been taking part in residential visits and shared experiences beyond the classroom. These opportunities are often filled with excitement, challenge and discovery, but they also remind us of something deeper; the importance of love within a community.

When children spend time away together, they learn to support one another, encourage those who feel nervous, celebrate each other's achievements and show patience when things feel difficult. These moments reflect the kind of love the Bible speaks about; a love shown through actions.

In the Bible, we are reminded in Galatians 5:13, "*Serve one another humbly in love.*" This verse encourages us to think about how we care for others through kindness, helpfulness and understanding. Love is not only expressed in grand gestures, but in the small, everyday choices we make to support those around us.

Residential and day trips are a wonderful example of this in action. Children learn to work as a team, show courage when trying something new and look after one another along the way. These shared experiences help strengthen friendships and build a sense of belonging within our school family.

As we begin to look ahead to the joy and hope of Easter, we are reminded that love lies at the heart of the Christian story. Easter is a celebration of hope, sacrifice and the greatest example of love shown to the world.

Over the coming weeks, we encourage our children to continue showing love through their words and actions; whether by encouraging a friend, helping someone who needs support or simply offering a kind smile.

Thank you, as always, for the love and care you show within our school community. Together, these small acts help create a place where everyone feels valued, supported and able to flourish.



Services at All Saints Church, Childwall during February

Sunday services – 9.15am, 11am and 5pm, with Ignite Youth Service taking place at 6pm in the Church Hall.

The 9.15 service is available on YouTube each Sunday shortly after the service. The Vicar will share it via email if you request to have your name added to the email list. Tea and coffee are served in the Childwall Abbey Hall between the two morning services. There are also refreshments served after the evening service.

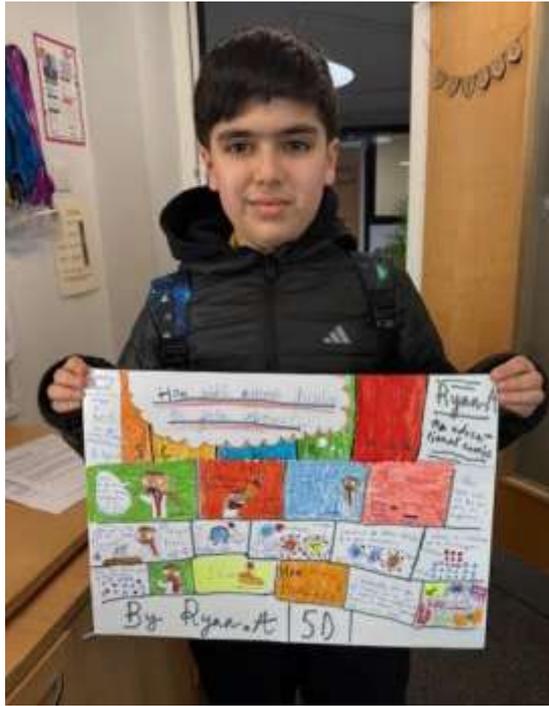
Thursday services: 10.45 am: Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer in Church followed by tea and coffee.



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Ryan in Year 5 created a beautiful comic strip all about soluble materials and how they dissolve to form different solutions. It has been wonderful to see him engaging so enthusiastically with his science-themed homework grid as we prepare to celebrate British Science Week.

Well done, Ryan — this is a very informative and beautifully presented piece of work!



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ELSA Support

Mrs Birchall - Calm & Connect Club.

This week in club, we tried something new. I showed the children my example of my 'monthly review' for February.

We looked at things that we had learnt, a kind moment, something they may have found tricky, our 'best' moment and what are plans where for next month.

The children could write or draw their ideas and they could use ideas from home or school. I have given the children a little challenge, to try and think of mindful ideas that we could do outside as well, now the weather is getting nicer.

Have a lovely weekend x



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Reminders



Thank you to Claire McGuffie (SENISS) who came to speak to parents, carers and staff this week about children's SLCN. The session gave those who attended the opportunity to ask questions and share experiences in a supportive and open way, with advice and signposting to services well-received.

If you have an idea for a theme for a future workshop, or the suggestion of a speaker we could invite, please email Mrs. Rice (SENDCo): senco@childwallce.com

Super League Basketball Cup Finals, Sunday 22 March 2026 AO Arena Manchester

We're pleased to share access to **specialty discounted tickets (over 50% off)** for the upcoming **Super League Basketball Cup Finals**.

Held at the AO Arena Manchester on **Sunday 22nd March 2026**, this is the finale of one of British basketball's premier knockout competitions and features some of the most thrilling on court action from both the men's and women's professional leagues in the UK.

Enjoy fast-paced action, elite players, and first-class entertainment — all in front of a roaring **9,000**-strong crowd!

You can find out more on the event, including our promotional video and event schedule, by visiting <https://www.superleaguebasketballm.co.uk/2026cup/>

Ticket Offer & Booking - Our school has secured tickets for just **£10 per person** — a saving of over 50% (normal prices: £26 Adult/ £22 Child). Book your tickets here:

<https://www.britishbasketballshop.com/products/2026cupprimary>

Social Communication & Social Behaviour Workshop

Dates: 20th and 27th March 2026

Time: 9.30am – 12 noon

Venue: Zoom

Dear Parent/Carer,

If you have early concerns about social communication and interaction, or your child

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is awaiting assessment from the ASD Pathway, we would like to offer you the opportunity to attend the above workshops on Social Communication and Social Behaviour (both session dates need to be attended).

If you wish to attend, please email the team: asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk If the above dates for the workshop are not suitable, please view the Liverpool Local Offer / ASD Training Team for future training and workshops. Liverpool ASD Training Team | Liverpool Family Information & SEND Directory

We look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely,
ASD Training Team



This year's **Neurodiversity Celebration Week** (NCW) is 16th - 20th March. The children will be taking part in a class collective worship and looking at simple classroom resources that celebrate neurodiversity and raise awareness, to increase acceptance and understanding. NCW aims to help people understand, value and celebrate the talents of neurodiverse minds in a positive way.

If you would like to find out more about NCW and access resources for parents and carers, please use the following link: <https://www.neurodiversityweek.com/parents>

Should you wish to discuss this, or you have any general queries regarding special educational needs, please email Mrs. Rice, using the following address: senco@childwallce.com

In addition, *Calm in the Palm*, an annual event, held in Sefton Park, is taking place on **Sunday 22nd March, 11am - 2pm**. The *Neurodiverse Family Support* specialists bring together a variety of organisations who offer the support and activities across Merseyside for neurodiverse families. For more information, please follow the link: <https://palmhouse.org.uk/events/calm-in-the-palm-22-03/>

If we want to include everyone, we have to help everyone develop their talents and use their gifts for the good of the community. That's what inclusion means – everyone contributes. Maya Angelou, Memoirist / Poet / Civil Rights activist

Emotions Workshop

Date: 25th March 2026

Time: 1pm – 2.30pm

Venue: Zoom

Target audience – parents'/carers' who have attended a course to understand social communication/social behaviour, or an ASD course, who wish to gain a better understanding of the impact ASD may have on their child's emotions, Y1-Y6.

Aims: after attending this training session you will have:

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- a better understanding of what may affect your child emotions;
- a greater understanding of their emotions;
- an opportunity to apply a range of strategies to help support your child's understanding on how they can manage their emotions;
- ideas for building your child's resilience.

To book a place email: asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk

AAD Solutions – WHATS ON:

<https://advancedsolutions.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/LIVERPOOL-Spring-2026-Whats-On-Guide-1.pdf>

Beautiful New Beginnings Newsletter

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/1/#search/newsletter/FMfcgzQfCDNQcfBNNVXZmjTRQTtqfMhT?projector=1&messagePartId=0.3>

Date: Thursdays 4th ,11th ,18th , 25th June and 2nd , 9th July

Time: 9.30am – 12 noon

Venue: Garston Children's Centre, Banks Road, L19 8JZ

Dear Parent/Carer,

The ASD Training Team is facilitating the National Autistic Society's – EarlyBird Plus Programme. The EarlyBird Plus programme has been developed by the National Autistic Society and brings families/carers together to learn about Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

The course consists of 6 classroom sessions (see dates above) and one home visit. The criteria for attending EarlyBird Plus is parents/carers of a child, aged 5 to 10 yrs, who has been accepted onto the ASD Pathway or who has a diagnosis of ASD.

There are limited places available, so please email, as soon as possible, to confirm your attendance: asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk

We look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely,

ASD Training Team

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Next week's menu

Here is a reminder of our lunchtime options:

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 £2.40 per day and must be paid for weekly in advance. All infant children receive a Universal Free School Meal.

		<h2>Lunch Menu Week 3</h2>				
w/c 9th Mar		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
SOUP	Chef Choice	Tomato & Basil	Broccoli & Cheddar	Roasted Pepper	Chinese Sweetcorn	
HOT MAINS	Quorn Mince Cottage Pie with Seasonal Veg 	Jewel's Chicken Karahi with wholegrain Rice & Green Beans	Chef Daniel's Beef & Bean Quesadillas	Beef Stifado with wholegrain Rice	Fish Fingers or Tandoori Salmon  with Chips & Garden Peas	
	Broccoli & Cream Cheese Pasta Bake 	Spanish Omelette with Salad 	Vegetable & Lentil Stew 	Vegan Ravioli in Homemade Tomato Sauce with Crusty Bread 	Veggie Sausage Roll with Chips & Garden Peas 	
CHEF SPECIAL	Ask Chef about today's special!					
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit Salad 	Apple Flapjacks	Sponge Cake Topped with Jam & Whipped Cream	Shortbread Biscuits 	Cheese & Crackers	
	Available Daily: Jacket potatoes with tuna, cheese or beans, salad, hummus, fresh fruit and yoghurt					
	Please speak to a member of staff about dietary requirements. All menus are checked by a nutritionist and adhere to School Food Standards.			 Vegetarian  Vegan  Oily fish		

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9/3/26	Year 5 Bikeability- 12 children from 5D	Year 5 Bikeability- 12 children from 5D	Year 5 Bikeability- 6 children from 5D and 6 children from 5K Year 6 Crucial Crew-PM Chavasse House, Childwall	Year 5 Bikeability- 12 children from 5K	Year 5 Bikeability- 12 children from 5K
16/3/26 Neurodiversity Week and Science week	EYFS Parents Meeting 1.15-5.30pm	3.15-4.30pm – EYFS, Year 1 and 2 Disco	B-Tales Easter 9.30 am KS1 AM and 1.30pm -KS 2 PM 3.15-4.30pm – Year 3 and 4 Disco	3.15-4.30pm – Year 5 and 6 Disco	Red Nose Day (children can wear own clothes for £1 donation)
23/3/26		Year 2 Barnstondale	Year 5 Easter Service at All Saints 9:30am Year 2 Barnstondale	PM – Easter Bonnet Parade Parents from 2.00pm	Finish for Easter at 1:15pm

Feedback from parent/ carer meetings in December highlighted that parents and carers felt as though there was too much going on at the end of the term and so the meetings would be better at the beginning of a term. With this in mind the spring meetings are as follows:

Y1 & 2 Tuesday 14th April pm

Y5 & 6 Tuesday 21st April pm

Y3 & 4 Thursday 24th April pm

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