



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



Newsletter 4 24th October 2025

Dear Parents,

I am so proud of all our children and everything they have achieved this half term. Everyone has been working so hard and is ready for half term. Thank you to all our staff who go over and above to ensure children can thrive at school. A little reminder that staff will not be reading or responding to emails during the half term break. I hope that you all have a wonderful week and I look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Tuesday 4th November.

Best wishes

Mrs R. Halsall

Headteacher Award – Progress

Children have made lots of progress over the last 8 weeks across the curriculum. Class teachers chose children who have made excellent progress in one or more subjects to receive the Headteacher Award last week. Well done children – keep up the good work!

Cloda C – Rec S	Alicia K – 1S	Millie M – 2S	
Alfie O'S - Rec P	Lennon S – 1P	Gabriel B – 2P	
Charlie B – 3S	Victoria K – 4S	Tyler W – 5S	Isaac H – 6S
Billy N – 3P	Sophia H – 4P	Elvis P – 5P	Dayo D – 6P

Year 5 – Trips to Martin Mere

Year 5 have recently enjoyed school trips to Martin Mere linked to their learning in History about Anglo-Saxons. During the day, children spent time as villagers in their settlement learning different skills and experiencing life as an Anglo-Saxon. Children were super ambassadors for school and a great time was had by all. Well done children!

Skip2Bfit

The school hall was a hive of activity yesterday when David from Skip2Bfit led workshops for each class in Key Stage 2. Children had great fun skipping to a range of music and they enjoyed the challenge of trying to beat their score throughout the session. At the end of the sessions children were provided with some blueberries as a healthy snack after all their hard work. Skipping is a great way to keep fit and have fun and is something children can enjoy at home and at school. Thank you to David for a terrific day.

Congratulations Footballers!

Congratulations to the boys' football team who won a number of matches over the last fortnight against several local primary schools: Bishop David Sheppard, St John's Crossens and Marshside. Well done to all the players who are working well as a team and growing in confidence with each victory. Thank you to Mrs Farley and Mr Kelleher for coaching the boys and to Mr Becker who also went to the matches to support the team. We do appreciate staff giving their time so generously to do this.

Calling All Artists!!

We have received an invitation for children to design a front cover for an official Christmas card for Liverpool Archdiocese. This is an exciting opportunity for budding artists to be creative and enter a competition alongside children from other schools within the Archdiocese. Please read the attached information for more details.

Church Visits from Archbishop John Sherrington

We are looking forward to welcoming Archbishop John to Southport this weekend as he celebrates Mass with Fr John at St Patrick's and St Marie's on **Sunday 26th October**. Mass times for the weekend are as follows:

9.30am – St Marie's

11.00am – St Patrick's

It would be wonderful if some of our children and their families are able to join us at one of these Masses

Behaviour & Relationships

Visitors to school often comment on how well behaved our children are and this was something that David fed back at the end of the school day, yesterday, too. We are currently showing prospective parents around school and many have noted how calm the school environment is.

We are always looking for ways in which we can improve and are in the process of updating our Behaviour Policy to ensure it aligns with the latest research and embodies everything we stand for at St. Patrick's. We are proud to have an inclusive environment and staff work hard to ensure that all children feel emotionally safe and supported, whilst having high expectations for themselves and others. Your support as parents is vital to this process, as we work together to ensure our approach is trauma-informed, consistently enforced, and reflective of our whole school community. Having a Behaviour Policy rooted in relational-practice not only helps children to thrive academically but also nurtures their emotional well-being. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.

Online Mental Health Support

As you are aware, we work closely with Alder Hey's Mental Health Support Team who run intervention sessions for some of our children and families. To further their reach, the MHST have begun running online workshops for parents to access from the comfort of their own home. The next online workshop is centred around supporting your child with worries and will take place on Thursday 6th November 17:00-18:00 and Friday 7th November 09:30-10:30. Please note, you only need to attend one of these sessions. If you are interested, please email your child's class teacher to obtain the link.

PE Days – Autumn 2

Children will be having PE on the following days after half term:

Reception – Tuesday

Year 1 – Thursday & Friday

Year 2 – Monday & Thursday

Year 3 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Year 4 – Thursday Swimming & Friday

Year 5 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Year 6 – Monday & Wednesday

Winter Uniform

We have definitely seen a change in the weather over the last couple of weeks. A little reminder that all children must be wearing our winter uniform after half term, which includes a blue shirt, school tie, pinafore, skirt or trousers and a jumper or cardigan with the school logo. Jumpers, cardigans and ties can be purchased at Whittakers. All other items are available in a range of stores. Children need to wear sensible school shoes, apart from on their PE days when they are allowed to wear trainers. If you are struggling to buy any items of uniform, please get in touch with school as we may be able to help you with this.

Contact Details

A polite request to let us know if your address or contact details change. It is important that we have up to date information for each child. This includes having details of at least 2 people per child that we could contact in the event of an emergency. Many thanks for your help with this.

Poppy Appeal 2025

Every poppy makes a difference to the lives of our Armed Forces community and we are proud to be able to support the Royal British Legion again this year. As in previous years, we have been sent some merchandise to help raise money for this worthy cause.

Advance notice that from **Wednesday 5th November**, the following items will be on sale with the suggested minimum donation:

Snap Bands £1.50

Fabric Wristbands £1.00

Rope Wristbands £1.00

Poppy Reflectors 50p

Zip Pulls 50p

Our School Councillors will also be selling poppies and stickers each day during the first week back after half term and a donation of 20p would be gratefully appreciated.

Attendance

Being in school as much as possible is important for academic success, social development, and building life skills, such as reliability and responsibility. It was a pleasure to give out the Headteacher Award to all the children who have achieved 100% attendance this half term.

Rec S: Otto B, Caelan B, Cloda C, Raina F, Toby H, Leo H, Tyson M, Dorian P, Henry S, Amelie S, Evie W, Rosie W & Phoebe W

Rec P: Iris B O’F, Alfie B, Kiara C, Leila D-B, Theodora F, Charlie H, Chloe J, Sadie L, Esme L, Max M, Alfie O’S, Henry R & Margaret S

1S: Edward B, Lily C, Oscar D, Myla F, Aibhlinn G, Alicia K, Xanthe M, Gabriel M, Evie P, Mila R, Emily T & Toby T

1P: Alice A, Isaiah A, Edith C-J, Micah E, Tomasz G, Archie H, Finley K, Sam K, Cecilia L, Ronnie O’S, Thea P, Harley S, Lennon S, Harry S & Rory S

2S: Bethany B, Berry C, Polly D, Albie F, Amelie F, Alfie F, Eddie H, Maisie H, Rory J, Millie M, Edward P, Paisley Q, Theo R, Harriett R, Lucy R & Harper U

2P: Isabelle A, Felicity G, Orla H, Alicia H, Theia McC, Jack M, Maia P, Wilfred P, Callum R, Rosie T & Poppy W

3S: Iden B, Charlie B, Arlo C, Freddie F, Nancy G, Evelyn G, Elliot J, George L, Evie N, Evangeline R, Alex R, Charlotte S & Evelyn U

3P: Poppy C-M, Reggie H, Micah H, Arthur J, Isla J, Adaline K, Marianne L, Billy N, Annabelle S & Isabella W

4S: Flynn B, Jack B, Kevin C-B, Isla C, Layla G, Adrian H, Lilah H, Victoria K, Emil P, Madeleine R, Khaleesi S, Sofia S, Eddie T & Francis W-M

4P: Jack A, Amy A, Sophie A, Olivia B, Beth G, Billy Hardie, Elias H, Alexander L, Ava M, Georgia R, Joshy S, Martins U, Sandra V & Lily W

5S: Benjamin A, Penny B, Oliver B, Darragh C, Jordan C, Emme D, Elizabetha D, Teddy D, David G, Alfie H, Ruby M, Josh M, Leighton S, Holly S, Lucas T, Niamh T, Yves V & Tyler W

5P: Pearl B O’F, Felicity B, Imogen C, Miles C, Teddy F, Lucy G, Regan K, Patrick K, Sapphire M, Mackenzie M, Teddy N, Alfie O, Elvis P, Alfie R, Natalia R, Lukas S, Bobby S & Ruth W

6S: Arthur B, Nicole C, Freya D, Lucas D, George G, Isaac H, Ruby P, Harry R, Lily-Rose U, Xavier W & Connor W

6P: Connie B, Lily B, Dayo D, Oscar H, Evie H, Eli J, Anya K, Leon K, Max R & Jasmine V

We have this award at the end of every half term as we recognise that there are occasions when some children have to stay off school due to sickness.

We are hoping that children are able to have 100% attendance for at least 5 out of the 6 half terms, if at all possible. Staff are able to administer medicine in school. Please bring medicine to the school office and complete the requisite form so that it can be administered as appropriate within the school day.

Key Dates – Autumn 2

A little reminder of some key events taking place next half term:

10th – 14th November – Anti -Bullying Week: Power for Good

10th November – Odd Socks Day

20th November – Flu Spray

3rd December – Reception P Christmas Production (2.00pm)

4th December – Reception S Christmas Production (2.00pm)

8th December - Years 3&4 Christmas Production (2.00pm in Church)

9th December – 1S Christmas Production (2.00pm)

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10th December – 1P Christmas Production (2.00pm)

11th December – 2S Christmas Production (2.00pm)

11th December – Christmas Jumper Day & Santa Dash

12th December – 2P Christmas Production (2.00pm)

18th December – Christmas Party Day

