

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 15th November 2023

Attendance

Regular attendance at school is significant to a child's educational development and progress. When a child's attendance falls to 90% or below it is classed as persistent absence. We hope that by working together, attendance will improve and children will achieve fully in school. The school's policy for attendance is available on the school website. We reward good attendance each week and are aiming for at least 96%. Our **Year 3** class had the highest attendance with **97%** Other classes attendance was follows: **Y5 - 96.7%**
R - 95.7%, Y2 - 94.3%, Y4 - 93.3%, Y6 - 93%, N - 92.4%, Y1 - 91.4%.

The classes in **green** are above our target of **96%** and those in **red** are below, some significantly below. We will be targeting those with poor attendance.

Parents can notify school of their child's absence through the School Spider App. You will need to log into School Spider to do this, if you need help logging in, please let school know.

If you are unable to call school, e.g no credit on your phone, please use School Spider.

Be in to win!

Every child who is **in school** for the **whole of November** will receive an **advent calendar**. They **MUST** be in school every day for both morning and afternoon sessions to win the advent calendar – not off with a valid reason but in every day. We will see if we can get as many children as possible to attend school every day this month. If your child has an appointment they must come to school prior to present and get their mark and straight after.

Meet the Teacher 15.11.23

We will be holding our first parent/teacher meetings of this year today, Wednesday 15th November. If you cannot make this date please contact your class teacher to rearrange for another date/time. Thank you.

PFA Christmas Fair

We are holding our Christmas Fair on 13/12/23 at 3.00pm in the school hall. KS2 children will come straight to the hall from class and you will be able to meet them there. KS1 and EYFS children should be collected from their class as usual and then please join us in the hall for the Christmas Fair.

Children in Need

We will be supporting Children In Need by wearing spots as usual this Friday 17th November and collecting donations as always, with a suggested donation of £1, however, for spotty day you can now donate online and the Children in Need donations page has now been published for our

school. <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=12191>

PFA Christmas Raffle

If you would like any extra books of tickets, please contact the school office by [email](#) or call into the school office.

Sustainable Christmas Market

A Sustainable Christmas Market takes place at Gillmoss Recycling Discovery Centre on Saturday 25th November from 10.00am -2.00pm with activities for all ages and even a visit from Santa. Families will be able to come and view the recycling facility for free and find out how they can celebrate sustainably this year all while doing a bit of Christmas shopping from local stall holders. (Please click on the QR code below)



Admissions Consultation

<http://www.sefton.gov.uk/schooladmissionspolicyandreports>

Dates for Next Year

For school term dates and upcoming events please see the school calendar on our [website](#).

November

- 17th – Children in Need Day – whole school to wear spots (none uniform)
- 20th – Enterprise Week
- 22nd – Year 4 swimming
- 24th – TT Rockstars KS2 competition
- 29th – Year 4 swimming

December

- 5th – Y4/5 team to Multi Skills
- 8th – National Santa Dash day – whole school doing Santa dash
- 11th – Dress Rehearsal for Christmas plays
- 12th – 1st Performance 1.30pm
- 13th – 2nd Performance 9.30am. Christmas fair 3.00pm after school – all invited
- 14th – Carol singing 10am. 2nd Performance 1.30pm
- 15th – Making Day for whole school
- 10. 30am & 2.15 pm – Nursery Stay N' Play. 2.15pm Reception Stay N' Play
- 19th – Christmas dinner day
- 20th – Christmas Party Day – all to wear party clothes (none uniform)
- 9.15am – Puppet Show. Mentor Lunch and Games afternoon
- 21st – Starry Night - Nativity play for whole school
- 22nd – 9.15am – End of term service
TT Rockstars competition for KS2

Finish at 2.00pm.

Christian Values

This month's Christian Value is **Compassion**

"The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion." **Psalms 116:5**

Article 27

Every child has the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical, social and mental needs.



A Prayer for our School

*This is our school,
Let peace dwell here,
let peace begin with me.
Let the room be full of contentment
Let love abide here
Love of human kind, love of life itself
And love of God
Let us remember that as many hands build a
house,
Many hearts build a school.
Amen*



Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E Murtagh'.

Miss E Murtagh
Headteacher