

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 26th June 2024

Attendance

You have 190 days to come to school and 175 to do everything else! Please see attached letter regarding the increase in penalty notices for unauthorised absences.

Regular attendance at school is significant to a child's educational development and progress. There is now a bigger [Government drive to improve attendance](#). 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% attendance. **Year 4** had the highest attendance for last week – **97.2%**. Other class attendance was as follows:

Y3 - 97%, Y6 - 95.9%, R - 94.8%, Y2 - 94.3%, Y5 - 92.7%, Y1 - 90%, N - 82.6%.

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.

If you are unable to call school, e.g no credit on your phone, please use School Spider * to report the absence or click [here](#) to send an email to let us know, please try to let us know by 9.00AM. *You will need to log into School Spider to do this, if you need help logging in, please let school know.*

Please click on the [link](#) to see the guidance for parents regarding attendance:

Info for parents from the DfE regarding fines: [Fines for parents for taking children out of school](#)

After School Clubs for September

Details of after school clubs on offer for September are attached to the newsletter. Please note that all clubs start w/c 16.09.24.

Please note that some clubs run for 10 weeks, some marked with an * run for 12 weeks and end w/c 02.12.24. To request places for your child for the clubs please send an [email by clicking on this link](#).

Transition Morning

Our transition morning takes place tomorrow morning. This is the day all Year 6 pupils will be visiting their new high school. All pupils from Reception to Year 5 will line up at 8.45am as they go to their new classes.

Reception will go to Year 1 and be greeted by Mrs Crawford (Year 1 teacher)

Year 1 will go to Year 2 classroom door and be greeted by Mrs Wignall (Year 2 teacher)

Year 2 will go to the junior playground and line up outside the first junior door with the current Year 3 and be greeted by Miss Ledgerton (Year 3 teacher)

Year 3 will line up outside the same door but in Year 4 place and be greeted by Mrs Clarke (Year 4 teacher)

Year 4 will go to the next junior door and be greeted by Mr King (Year 5 class teacher)

Year 5 will go to the same door but in Year 6 place and be greeted by Mrs Lees and Miss Lockett (Year 6 teachers)

Sponsored Walk

Our annual sponsored walk will take place this Friday 28th June. This year all monies raised will be going to school fund. Sponsor forms were sent home electronically and paper copies last Wednesday, please send all sponsor money into school by the end of the term. Thank you for your support.

Summer Reading Challenge

Please find attached information on the summer reading challenge taking place over the summer. Netherton Library staff will be in school next Monday morning to talk to children about the challenge and support reading further.

CIC Clothes Pantry

The CIC clothes pantry at St Mark's (off Gorsey Lane) takes place on 27th June, similar to a food pantry. People can pay £3 for tokens and get to shop and spend their tokens on 5-15 items of clothes. An information flier is attached.

Year 6 Chosen Meal

Year 6 children have chosen their favourite meal and this will be served to all children on Thursday 18th July 2024.

The menu is All day breakfast
Pizza and wedges
Followed by
Chocolate Brownie or ice cream

All children in Year 3 to 6 are able to join in for this meal on the day if they wish. Envelopes are being sent home to children today. Children can also still have a packed lunch if they wish.

Uniform Donations

As our Year 6 children will shortly be moving on to their High Schools we would greatly welcome any donations of uniform into school that is no longer needed. (We would also like your support with uniform donations of any age / size) Your support with this request will be greatly received.

PFA (Parents and Friends Association)

The next PFA meeting on 28/06/24 at 2.30pm in the Family Room. Last year we had to cancel the summer fair and this year we still need more helpers, any help at all will be greatly received. All welcome, refreshments will be served. Mufti Day has so far raised £148.00 – thank you to those of you who contributed.

PFA Summer Fair

PFA Summer Fair **10/07/24 3.00pm** onwards

Our Summer Fair is taking place on the Infant Yard (weather permitting) on 10th July 2024 at 3.00pm. Donations of cakes would be much appreciated. We rely on parent/carer support and participation and if anyone can help it would be much appreciated.

Collection of your child on 10/07/24 at 3.00pm.

Nursery - collect your child at the Nursery door at 3.00pm and walk around onto the Infant yard to join in with the fair

Reception, Y1 and Y2 - collect your child from their class room door at 3.00pm and join in with the fair

Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 - collect your child in the school hall at 3.00pm and join in with the fair

Nursery Closure

Please note that due to building works taking place over the summer holidays, **the last day for our Nursery is Thursday 18th July.**

Volunteers Needed to Drive our Minibus

We are looking for volunteers to drive our minibus. If you are interested please contact the school office. For those who passed their test before the 1st January 1997, you'll likely automatically have the D1 entitlement on your licence, this means you can drive minibuses. Thank you.

Dates for Next Year 2024/25

For school term dates for the forthcoming academic year and upcoming events for this year, please see the school calendar on our [website](#).

June

27th June Transition Day – all children to visit their new classes or high school

28th June AM - Year 5 to Crucial Crew

PM – Sponsored Walk for whole school (weather permitting)

July

1st July Science workshop in Year 5

4th July RNLI assembly for Years 1 – 6

5th July Year 1 to Eureka Museum

8th July Last week of school led after school clubs

9th July SPORTS for ALL DAY for the whole school. SATS results for Year 6

10th July Summer Fair – 3.15 pm onwards – KS1 playground and school hall

11th July

Sing for Sefton – performance for parents in school hall at 2.45pm

12th July Reports to go home via email
17th July Last Year 5 swimming
Parent meetings PM if parents wish to discuss reports (optional)

July

18th July Golden Apples treat. Last day for Nursery & Fire Engine visit
Year 6 chosen lunch for our leavers
Dance performance for parents
1.45PM for Y1, Y2 and Y3
2.45PM for Y4, Y5 and Y6
19th July TT Rockstars competition for KS 2. 4pm – Year 6 BBQ
22nd July Building work starts in Nursery
6.00pm – Year 6 Leaver's Service in School Hall.
23rd July Last day. Church service at 9.45am – all welcome. **Finish at 2pm.**



CAMHS

The Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) put together a monthly newsletter for parents and professionals, signposting support such as groups, training and workshops. Click the [link](#) to have a look and see if there is anything of any interest. If you have any questions you can contact Mrs Keiley (SENDco and Mental Health lead) via the school office.

Christian Values

This month's Christian Value is **Service**. "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others ..." 1 Peter 4-30

Article 31: All children have the right to relax and play.



Yours sincerely,

Miss E Murtagh
Headteacher

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*

