

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024

### **Attendance**

**You have 190 days to come to school and 175 to do everything else!**

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 – **95.9%**. Other class attendance was as follows: **Y5 - 95%, Y6 - 92.5%, Y1 - 90.7%, Y3 - 89.6%, N - 89.3%, R - 87.4%, Y2 - 85.3%**.

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**

Please note that all clubs start w/c 16.09.24 and some clubs run for 10 weeks, some marked with an \* run for 12 weeks and end w/c 02.12.24.

We still have places available at the following clubs:

Monday	Story Club Y1 & Y2
Tuesday	Yoga All Year Groups
Thursday	Multisports Y5 & Y6
	Study Support Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
Friday	Multisports Y3 & Y4

To request places for your child for the clubs please send an [email by clicking on this link](#).

### **Changing from School Meals to Packed Lunch**

If you would like to change your child from school meal to packed lunch or vice versa when we return in September or at any time throughout the term, please remember that you must contact school to give school a week notice.

All children in Year 2 have been receiving Universal Infant Free School meals until the end of Year 2, so if you want to change, you will need to let us know before we return in September.

### **Summer Fair**

A huge thanks to Mrs McNally and all those who supported the summer fair, we couldn't have run the fair without the support from those who helped and those of you who came along to the fair. We raised a whopping £1,275 for the PFA. Thank you so much to everyone.

### **Beat The Goalie winners from the Summer Fair**

Red ball - Josh Y6

Blue ball - Skai R

## Gate Closure

Due to building works, the Brown's Lane gate will be closed from Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July. After this date, please use the gates on Ronald Ross Avenue.

## Sefton Children's University Summer Holiday Challenge

Attached to the newsletter is details of the summer holiday challenge. Your child can collect extra Children's University credits during the summer break by completing this challenge. Each activity is worth 1 credit -unless stated otherwise when you send evidence of your activity [SeftonCU@elevate-ebp.co.uk](mailto:SeftonCU@elevate-ebp.co.uk)

## Summer Diaries

As we do every year, we would like to encourage as many children as possible to continue with their creative writing throughout the holiday period and to keep a summer diary. This can be in paper or electronic form. Many children choose to include, photos, drawings, tickets etc of where they have been and what they have done.

It is an absolute joy to receive the diaries from the children when the children return to school in September.

## Swimming In September

Swimming will commence for the following classes as follows in September:

Year 3 each Wednesday from 4<sup>th</sup> September. (The first Wednesday back of the new term)

Swimming kit information can be found by clicking on this [link](#). Please note that the children return back to school at 3.40PM.

## 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](#).

## Events for July

- 18<sup>th</sup> 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
- 19<sup>th</sup> July TT Rockstars competition for KS2. 4pm – Year 6 BBQ
- 22<sup>nd</sup> July Building work starts in Nursery  
6.00pm – Year 6 Leaver's Service in School Hall. All welcome to celebrate with our Year 6 pupils as they move onto their next phase in their education.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> July Last day. Church service at 9.45am – all welcome. **School finishes 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**. "Romans 12:10 - "Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves."

**Article 12:** All children and young people have the right to give their opinion and for adults to listen and take them seriously.



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The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

Mahatma Gandhi

## 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,

Miss E Murtagh  
Headteacher