



# Northway News

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**CURRENT WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:**  
95.6%

**BEST INFANT CLASSES**

**BEST JUNIOR CLASS**

98.3% - Rec Mrs Harrison

98% - Y3/4 Miss Harwood

### Christmas is coming...

It has been the most wonderful time of the year at Northway. We hope you enjoyed our Christmas performances across the school. The children all sang and performed their lines superbly! We want to wish you all the most special break and hope you enjoy lots of rest, relaxation and time with family and friends. Thank you for continuing to work in partnership with us. Our relationships as a community are key to supporting our children to achieve their full potential. We look forward to seeing you back on 7<sup>th</sup> January in the New Year!

### Attendance and Punctuality Reminders


Letters with your child's attendance for the Autumn term will be sent home in January. For children below 90%, if their attendance does not improve then a support plan will be put in place. No holidays will be authorised in term time and, in line with Sefton's policy, may also result in a penalty notice. Our new start time is classroom doors open at 8.40am and the gates close at 8.50am. After this, children are late and should enter through reception. This change has had such a positive impact on the start of the school day so please support your child to keep it up in the Spring term.

### Northway's Christmas Choir

The children in choir have shown great dedication, coming in every Tuesday morning bright and early for the whole of the Autumn term. They learned lots of Christmas song and have taken part in a number of performances throughout the term. December has been a very busy month for our choir as they have not only performed and starred in their own Christmas Concert but they have also been to Kenyons Lodge for our annual Christmas performance. The residents of Kenyons Lodge were, once again, thrilled to see the children and not only hear them sing but chat with them after the performance. Our choir were amazing as always and we could not be prouder of them!



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec @ 1.30pm:**   
Finish for Christmas (After School Club finishes at 4pm)

**Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan:** INSET day

**Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Jan:** School reopens

**Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Nursery closed for new starters visits

**Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Nursery reopens

**Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Infant & Junior discos

**Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Finish for half term

### THANK-YOU ANNI!

Our lollipop lady, Ann, is retiring this Friday. She has been with us at Northway for five years so imagine how many times she has helped children and families across the road. All classes made cards for her and we took them out yesterday to her which she was delighted with. Please wish her well in her retirement as you see her over the next two days. Good luck Ann from all at Northway. We wish you many happy years of retirement. You will be missed!

### Breakfast with Santa

Thank-you so much to all who attended Breakfast with Santa and our PTA volunteers who helped at the events. They have raised over £1000 which is incredible!

### End of Autumn Term Awards

Well done to the winners of our end of term awards for the Achievement Cup and Values Champion. We are all extremely proud of why you were chosen. Every day you have demonstrated the Northway values and shone!

	Achievement Cup	Values Champion
Infant Winner	Gracie W (Y2)	Lucia K (Y2)
Junior Winner	Jorgie G (Y4)	Edith C (Y5)

### Health Advice

There is advice on this website to support what to do if your child has a common illness-

[Super Bodies - NHS Cheshire and Merseyside](#)

### Reception Admissions - 2025

To apply for a place, please complete the application form through the Citizen Portal online via

[www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool](http://www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool) The portal is open until 15 January 2025.

### Road Safety Issues

There are regular reminders in newsletters and messages sent out to all help to keep our school community as safe as possible. Parking outside school on double yellow lines is illegal and jeopardises the safety of our pupils outside the front of school. This image (of the car in red) was sent in of a driver who continues to park on the double yellow lines when only metres down the road there is parking available. We are pleading to all drivers to respect the rules of the road and park considerately and safely.



### Doodle Winter Calendar

The Winter Calendar will soon be arriving in Doodle, a seasonal event where your child can earn festive in-app rewards by doodling 'little and often'!

Between the **1st-24th of December**, your child can open the calendar doors by **completing at least one exercise a day** in Doodle Maths and/or Doodle English. They'll find **festive goodies** hiding behind each one - and if they open them all, they'll receive a **virtual Winter Calendar badge!**

### FAMILY SUPPORT INFORMATION

**School Safeguarding Team:** Mrs McKenzie, Mrs McGhee & Mrs Harrison. Please arrange a meeting via the school office, if you require support.

**Maghull Food Bank:** Based at St. Georges United Reformed Church, Northway, Maghull. Open Tuesdays 10am-12pm. No vouchers needed.

**CAMHS Crisis Care Team:** 0151 293 3577 or Freephone 0808 196 3550. This team offers 24 hour support to children and young people (under 18) who are in mental health crisis in Liverpool or Sefton.

**Domestic Abuse support:** SWACCA - [www.swacca.com](http://www.swacca.com) for women, young people and children throughout Sefton

**Mental Health Support for Men:** Sean's Place in Sefton and Liverpool [www.seansplace.org.uk](http://www.seansplace.org.uk)

**Mental Health Support:** MIND - [www.mind.org.uk](http://www.mind.org.uk)

**Mental Health support for young people:** Young minds [www.youngminds.org.uk](http://www.youngminds.org.uk)