



Northway News

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CURRENT WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

95.4%

BEST INFANT CLASSES

98.2% - Rec Mrs Harrison

BEST JUNIOR CLASS

96.7% - Y5/6 Mrs Reardon

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 6th Jan: INSET day

Tues 7th Jan: School reopens

Tues 7th Jan: Nursery closed for new starters visits

Wed 8th Jan: Nursery reopens

Wed 12th Feb: Infant & Junior discos

Fri 14th Feb: Finish for half term

WELCOME BACK!

It has been a fabulous two weeks being back in with the children. It has been so lovely to hear their exciting Christmas news! We started the New Year off by reflecting on achievements from last term and setting goals for ourselves moving forwards. We know it will be another positive term with lots to enjoy and celebrate!

Christmas Jumper Competition

The school council had a difficult challenge selecting our finalists for the Christmas jumper competition. There were so many fabulous designs. The winners enjoyed being chief elf/Santa for the day with the special privileges afforded to them! We raised over £70 for school funds which has gone towards new playground equipment. Thank you for your ongoing support.

MADCOS Year 5 Boys 5-a-side Football Tournament

A huge well done to our Year 5 boys' football team who took part in the MADCOS Year 5 Boys 5-a-side football tournament at Active Sport in December. All of the boys played extremely well throughout the whole tournament and they not only showed some great skills but they scored some fantastic goals too.



MADCOS Year 5 Girls 5-a-side Football Tournament

A massive congratulations to our Year 5 girls' football team who won the MADCOS Year 5 Girls 5-a-side football tournament at Active Sport this week. The squad included girls who had never even played a football match before and every single player was amazing! The team finished 2nd in their group after going unbeaten in their first three group games, drawing two and winning one, and the girls then beat St Gregory's Primary School 3-2 in an end-to-end semi-final to set up a final against Holy Rosary Primary School. After Emma scored to make it 1-0, Holy Rosary equalised to make it 1-1 and the final went to penalties which the girls won on! What an incredible achievement! The looks on their faces was priceless and the girls quite rightly received an amazing ovation in our whole school assembly this afternoon. As is now tradition, the whole school sang "DON'T YOU KNOW, PUMP IT UP, NORTHWAY'S WON THE CUP!"



Calling all creatives!

This year, as part of our PSHE curriculum, the children will be fundraising to develop the environment for birds. They will be learning about the importance of birds in our eco system and how to protect the environment to prevent the further decline of birds in the UK. 'Bird Week' is due to take place in May this year, but we have an advanced request. The knitted bees raised an incredible amount of money in our last environmental fundraising event. Over 300 knitted bees were donated so that every child had the chance to purchase one. We would love to be able to sell knitted or felted birds in our next fundraiser. Please ask around the community for any creative contributions to our mission. Any creations will be kindly received at the main office. Thank you in advance, Mrs Harrison.



Think Pharmacy First

Most pharmacies in England are now providing the NHS Pharmacy First service which allows pharmacists to provide advice and where appropriate, supply NHS medicines for the following conditions for: ■ Earache (aged 1 to 17 years) ■ Impetigo (aged 1 year and over) ■ Infected insect bites (aged 1 year and over) ■ Shingles (aged 18 years and over) ■ Sinusitis (aged 12 years and over) ■ Sore throats (aged 5 years and over) ■ Urinary tract infections (UTIs) in women (aged 16 to 64 years).

If you or your child has symptoms that suggest you or they may have one of these conditions, you can walk into a pharmacy and be offered a consultation with a pharmacist in a private consultation room. Your GP surgery may also refer your child (or you) to the service if you contact them but they believe it is appropriate for you to be seen by a pharmacist. For more information, visit www.nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst

NEW Online Learning Platform

We will soon be moving to a new online learning platform which children will use for homework. This will replace Doodle. Our Doodle subscription expires on 25th Jan so children can use it until then. The children have been getting used to accessing the new platform in school already and are very impressed with it! It offers all Doodle does and much more! Further information on how to access the platform and when we will be launching it will follow soon. Apologies as there may be a slight gap in between Doodle finishing and this starting. Please continue to support your child at home with regular reading and TTRS if no specific tasks have been set.

Road Safety Issues

Another example of unacceptable parking outside the front of school. Please consider our school community when parking - the grass outside school is not a car park!



School Driveway

We know the barrier to the car park and drive being up results in many families using the drive to walk in and out of school. There have been a couple of incidents recently where staff have also found children playing around the cars at the end of the day. Please use the pedestrian path to enter and exit the school site. Vehicles use the drive at all different times of the day and it is not safe to walk on.

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 for women, young people and children throughout Sefton

Mental Health Support for Men: Sean's Place in Sefton and Liverpool www.seansplace.org.uk

Mental Health Support: MIND - www.mind.org.uk

Mental Health support for young people: Young minds www.youngminds.org.uk