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Value of the Week
Hope

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'...For I know the plans I have for you....'
Jeremiah 29:11

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GROWTH MINDSET QUOTE

**'Be the change
you wish to see in
the world'.**

Award Winners

Congratulations to all our award winners this week:-

Class	Certificate of Achievement	Disciple of the Week	Growth Mindset Award	Attendance Figure
3CF	William	Archie	Ryan	97.0%
3MT	Faith	Noah	Owen	95.3%
3NW	Liam	Evie	Ayden	97.6%
3ST	William	Penny	Isabella	97.6%
4CD	Isabella	Olivia	William	93.7%

4GH	Livia	Tess	Bobby	95.3%
4HW	Annabel	Brodie	Orlagh	88.6%
4PS	Cody	Connie	Cayden	88.0%
5JO	Mason	Michael	Lucas	91.3%
5JP	Eliza	Francesca	Amelia B	95.9%
5KN	Nathaniel	Shay	Earon	90.6%
5MB	Michael	Nevina	Harry	89.8%
6AC	Phoebe	Bella	Louie	88.0%
6JK	Evie	Kitty	Hollie	95.4%
6LT	William	Maisie	Scott	92.7%
6SA	Cayden	Bobby W	Charlie	92.7%

Attendance for the whole school is 93.1%%

HEALTHY SNACK AWARDS: 3MT,4PS,5MB,6JK

BEST CLASS AT LUNCHTIME:3NW,4HW,5JO,6SA

HOUSE POINTS -

	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	TOTAL
St Andrew	221	143	129	297	790
St David	230	144	127	281	782
St George	222	160	110	275	767
St Patrick	211	165	93	247	716

Times Table Leaderboard

Most Effort (highest number of minutes on TTRS)	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
1.	William M (3ST)	Leon (4CD)	Romeo (5KN)	Luke C (6AC)
2.	Jack L (3ST)	Alvina (4CD)	Grace C(5JP)	Keira Lou (6AC)
3.	Isaac W (3NW)	Joseph M(4GH)	Sofia V (5MB)	Harley (6LT)

Most Improvement	Christian G (3ST)	Oscar N (4HW)	Harry M(5MB)	Jacob W
Class with the best engagement	3ST	4PS 4CD	5JP	6AC
TTRS Class Champions	3CF- Ryan 3MT- Timothy 3NW- Bobby 3ST- William	4CD- Alvina 4GH- Kenzo 4HW- Kristoffe 4PS- Diya	5JO- Austin 5JP- Alfie 5KN- Nathaniel 5MB- Kezia	6AC- Sonny 6JK- Charlie W 6LT- Austin 6SA- Joe

Gallery

Year 5 Holy Communion Treasure Hunt



COVID Advice for Parents

As the rates of infection in Knowsley are currently high, we would ask that parents monitor their child's health at this time looking out for any symptoms. We would recommend that all families consider twice weekly home testing to support the community in keeping infection rates low in Knowsley. To order an LFD test to be delivered or to find your nearest community collect or assisted testing site please click on the link below :-

[Find where to get rapid lateral flow tests - NHS \(test-and-trace.nhs.uk\)](https://test-and-trace.nhs.uk)

What symptoms should I be concerned about?

You should look for any of the following symptoms:

- new continuous cough
- fever (a temperature of 37.8°C or higher)
- loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child develops these symptoms, however mild, at any point, they must,

- Take a LFD test; if the test is positive there is no need to arrange a PCR test. Instead they must undertake a period of isolation.
- If the results of the LFD test come back as negative and the pupil is feeling well they can return to school.
- If the test is positive pupils must isolate for a maximum of ten days. However, if they undertake a LFD test on day 6 and 7 of their isolation (the tests must be a minimum of 24hrs apart) and each test is negative they can return to school (as long as they are not displaying any symptoms).
- If on days 6 or 7 the test remains positive, they must remain in isolation for the full 10 days.
- If after day 10 the child is well, with no temperature, they can return to school regardless of the result of an LFD test.

If you need to seek medical advice

Seek prompt medical attention if the illness is worsening. If it's not an emergency, contact NHS 111 online.

If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111.

If it is an emergency and you need to call an ambulance, dial 999 and inform the call handler or operator that you have Coronavirus (COVID-19).

WHEN ENTERING THE SCHOOL GROUNDS WE ASK THAT ALL PARENTS (UNLESS EXEMPT) WEAR A FACE MASK. THIS MEASURE IS TO PROTECT THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

Parent Forum

The Parent Forum look forward to welcoming parents to the first Parent Forum Meeting of the year which will take place by Zoom on Wednesday (19th January)

The Zoom Code (which is the same for all Parent Forum Meetings) will be sent out to parents on Monday.

Holy Communion

The Holy Communion programme for pupils in Year 5 is now well underway. This week the children have been to church to undertake a Treasure Hunt.

The children were a credit to our school and their families. All staff commented that it was a total pleasure to be in church with them. Well done Yr 5.

Attendance at mass will help to prepare the children for the sacrament of Holy Communion

Mass times: Saturday at 5:30pm and Sunday at 10am.

Wrap Up Warm

Public Health advice recommends that schools are well ventilated and in order to do this we are required to open windows. As the Winter months are upon us and the weather is getting colder, we recommend that, in order to keep warm, the children wear extra layers for school under their school uniform.

Breakfast and After School Club

Our Breakfast and After School Club is here to support families with before/after school care. In order to access this service, parents should book their child in using the Parent Pay App (please contact Mr Pimblett/the school office for any assistance with Parent Pay).

If children have not been booked in, they should not attend the provision. This is because, for Health and Safety reasons, we have a duty to adhere to the correct staffing/pupil ratios and if additional pupils turn up who have not booked on, we may be in breach of Health and Safety regulations.

My Digital Life Audit 2021

Our children have recently taken part in a survey about their use and knowledge of digital technology. This is a wonderful resource for us all, especially for our children in the modern world in which we live. However, with technology comes responsibility and at times the impact of irresponsible and unkind comments can have a huge negative impact on our children. Last week the general information from the audit was shared. In today's newsletter we are sharing the results of Gaming Online.

Cyberbullying

- 75.1% know what online bullying is.
- 15.2% do not know what online bullying is
- 63% have not experienced any online bullying
- 27.5% have experienced any online bullying
- 49% would tell someone if a friend was being bullied online
- 33.2% would send the bully a message to tell them to stop, if their friend was being bullied online

If someone online made them feel uncomfortable:

- 79.9% would speak to a parent/carer
- 37.5% would speak to a friend
- 37% would speak to a teacher
- 11.2% would not tell anyone

PTA News

Many thanks to all parents who have already downloaded the Easy Fundraising app to their phones. This is a shopping affiliation scheme – if you do your online shopping through their portal (app or web browser) school will receive a percentage donation. It's free and easy to use. If you haven't yet managed to download the app please follow the link below:-

<https://youtu.be/5xesSlaNAPA>

Job Opportunities

We are currently advertising for Teaching Assistants (to provide both general support and support for 1-1 pupils). Any parents who are interested in applying for any of these roles (and

Traffic News

This week the Infant and Junior school once again met with Knowsley and Liverpool Council representatives in relation to the traffic situation on Pilch Lane. In the interests of

are qualified/experienced enough to do so) should visit the Knowsley Council Website for details of how to apply.

Health and Safety, may we remind parents **NOT** to park on the Zig Zag lines outside school or in any area where parking is not allowed. May we also ask that parents are considerate of the residents of Pilch Lane.

THANK YOU FROM EDDIE

Our school lollipop man , Eddie, would like to thank our parents and children for the generous Christmas gifts. He wishes you all a Happy New Year.

Sport News

Well done to Year 6 boys who took part in the Huyton School League this week. The boys are currently in second place.

This week some Year 5 and 6 girls represented school for the first time, competing in the Huyton School League for girls. Well done girls, you did yourselves proud!

Communication with staff

If any parent has a question/concern/suggestion that they would like to bring to our attention, they should raise it via the class teacher in the first instance. If it is something that the class teacher will be unable to solve, please do not hesitate to contact your Year Group Head (Year 6-Mr Arnold (6SA), Year 5-Mr Oates (5JO), Year 4-Mrs Dwerryhouse (4CD), Year 3-Miss Finnegan (3CF) or a member of the Senior Leadership Team (Mrs Wilkinson, Mrs Culley, Mrs Ambrose, Mr Pimblett):-

E mail addresses are as follows:

YEAR 3		YEAR 4		YEAR 5		YEAR 6	
3CF	class2025a@smmj.org.uk	4CD	class2024b@smmj.org.uk	5JO	class2023e@smmj.org.uk	6LT	class2022f@smmj.org.uk
3NW	class2025b@smmj.org.uk	4GH	class2024d@smmj.org.uk	5JP	class2023h@smmj.org.uk	6JK	class2022e@smmj.org.uk
3MT	class2025d@smmj.org.uk	4HW	class2024c@smmj.org.uk	5MB	class2023g@smmj.org.uk	6SA	class2022g@smmj.org.uk
3ST	class2025c@smmj.org.uk	4PS	class2024a@smmj.org.uk	5KN	class2023f@smmj.org.uk	6AC	class2022h@smmj.org.uk

It is essential the word 'class' goes on the front of your e mail otherwise your e mail will deliver to all the parents within the class rather than to the teacher ie class2024b@smmj.org.uk NOT 2024b@smmj.org.k

SLT (Mrs Wilkinson, Mrs Culley, Mrs Ambrose, Mr Pimblett)- SLT@smmj.org.uk

PLEASE NOTE

Only the emails listed above should be used by parents and staff should not be contacted on their private/personal emails. In the interests of staff well being we would like to request that parents do not send out of hours emails to staff (after 6pm or any time at the weekend/during school holidays). The staff have been advised not to respond to out of hours e mails.

Spring Term Dates for Diary

Please note that dates will be added to as the term progresses. Occasionally, it may be necessary for us to change dates due to unavoidable circumstances. In the event of this happening, we will aim to give parents as much notice as possible. Depending on COVID restrictions, it may be necessary for some of our events to be cancelled.

January

Wednesday 19th Parent Forum (9.30am)
Boys' Year 5/6 Football League competition
Year 5 to work with the CLC
Friday 21st - Year 5 to work with the CLC
Closing Date and shortlisting for Teaching Assistant jobs
Monday 24th - Boccia competition
Friday 28th - Coffee Morning (this event will be COVID dependent)
Saturday 29th (5.30pm) and Sunday 30th (10.30am) - Junior School invited to mass
Week Beginning 31st - Children's Mental Health Week

February

Wednesday 2nd - Boys' Year 4 Football competition (Prescot Soccer Centre)
Friday 4th - SEND Coffee Morning (9.30am)
Tuesday 8th - Safer Internet Day (Year 5 to lead an assembly)
Friday 18th - Break up for Half Term Holiday

March

Tuesday 1st - Return to school
Wednesday 2nd - Year 6 to work with the CLC
Thursday 3rd - World Book Day
Friday 4th - Year 6 to work with the CLC
Week Beginning 7th March - Assessment Week
Wednesday 9th - Year 6 to work with the CLC
Governors' Curriculum Meeting
Friday 11th - Year 6 to work with the CLC
Week Beginning 14th - Lower Key Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4) SEND Child Centred Reviews
Week Beginning 21st - Spring Term Assertive Mentoring Conversations
Week Beginning 28th - Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 and 6) SEND Child Centred Reviews
Wednesday 30th - Full Governors' Meeting

April

Week Beginning 4th - Easter Performances (COVID permitting)
Friday 8th - Break up for Easter Holiday

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towards Artsmark
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