

School Newsletter

Celebrating Success, Backpack Project, Christmas!



The Bigger Picture

Success abounds at year's end

Fitness builds across all year groups - the recent run through the crisp leaves around Greasby was enjoyed by all - the OLOP tracksuit, now available on the website, is becoming a treasured item in the cold weather.

The children are so proud of themselves and their teammates as achievements abound: the choir - first runner up in the Cheshire and North Wales competition; the swimming teams, picked out for their "superb behaviour and level of focus"; the performance from Shakespeare's "Much Ado about Nothing" at the Floral Pavilion, where the children (the only primary school amongst secondary school groups) were highlighted for their clarity and confidence.

Our school has been selected, by Liverpool John Moores University, to offer students insight into maths mastery. A recent visiting group were extremely impressed by behaviour and standards - your children model excellence in attitude as well as attainment.

Keeping Safe - Internet safety - Parent Zone

- ▶ We have ordered copies for all junior parents of "Digital Parenting" magazine, produced by parentzone.org.uk to offer current guidance to parents in this ever-changing e-World. These will be distributed on arrival. Please do visit this site, it is a "must".

Pupil Voice

The children are so excited about Christmas! The children's nativity performances remind us beautifully of what matters most.

Celebrating Diversity

We are planning an event in school to celebrate the rich diversity of cultures and countries represented within our community - watch this space for details!



Backpack Project

A message of thanks from Malawi:

"Can you pass on a message to the people that donated these backpacks? Please say thank you. They have made these children so happy, they're now proud kids!"

Patrick Masiye, Standard 6 teacher, Bangwe CCAP Primary School, Malawi

THANK YOU!

Gallery



Y6 Inspired by

Edvard Munch's
The Scream

PARENT COUNCIL

Are you interested in working with other parents and with the school staff to enhance learning? Contact amaney@ourladyofpity.co.uk.

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thinkuknow.co.uk

Visit for latest guidance.

PARENT VIEW

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parentview.ofsted.gov.uk



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Say HI! Let us know if you need documents in another language, or if a translator would help.

Next New Thing!

Christmas 2016



Christmas preparations fill our corridors with the growing chorus of festive voices in full flow. Please look carefully at the dates and times of performances - there are strict regulations about the number of people the buildings may accommodate, so it is important that you adhere to the dates set. We kindly ask that you make arrangements so that small children do not attend performances at the main site or annexe as it can be very difficult to hear the children on stage.

Christmas jumper day - 16th December - children are invited to wear normal school uniform with a festive or decorated jumper instead of their school jumper. A suggested contribution of £1 will be donated to Save the Children.

The Basics

PARENTPAY

If you haven't already joined this scheme, please,

SIGN UP NOW!!

ABSENCES

Please leave absence messages on 0151 677 6262 or through the school website **before 9am.**

PARKING

Please avoid driving onto the site. If you are on site, please drive very slowly and be aware of small children.

A Fond Farewell...

Miss Evans is moving to Australia! We wish her every success. We are grateful for her work with our team; she will be greatly missed. Skyping the South Pacific is in the planning stage, Miss Evans has not escaped!

Love to Read?

Y6 are absorbed in David Almond's "The Savage" - compelling reading, vividly illustrated.



Achievements

With only an hour's tuition in the sport, OLOP Y6 Basketball team came 7th overall in the Wirral Primary Schools Basketball Tournament!

Year 3 and 4 Futsal Tournament - at TRFC on 6/12/16. Both teams showed great commitment and respect for the officials. The final game was OLOP A v OLOP B. After a tense, exciting game, OLOP B won 3-1.



Year 5 and 6 Futsal Tournament - on 8/12/16. Both teams played well, showing tremendous team focus and determination.

We finished as runner up in the first league, and we came first in the second league. A magnificent experience for one and all: our thanks to Mrs Talbot and Mr James.



Pre-Teach

Thank you for supporting the roll out of the **Pre-teach** sessions. We will shortly be expanding the range of topics taught and we will be using ICT for bespoke spelling and reading interventions. Watch this space.

We ask that you **reply promptly** if your child is **not** going to attend any sessions offered as demand is high and we can offer the place to another pupil.

