



Kew Woods News

Friday 5th December



It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas!

At the start of the week, the whole school, and parents, were treated to a fantastic performance of 'Wriggly Nativity' by our amazing EYFS children. We could not be prouder of their speaking, singing, dancing and acting skills and how confident they were performing on stage in front of an audience. What a joyful and memorable start to the Christmas season!

At the end of the week, it was KS1's time to shine at their Christmas Concert performances. They got everyone into the Christmas spirit with their wonderful outfits, excellent singing and enthusiastic dancing! What a great way to end the week!



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ATTENDANCE:

School attendance this week is 94.8% which is above national average.

Well done to class 5W who had the highest attendance at 97.1%

Dates:

December

9th - KS2 Carol Concert
9:15am and 2:15pm

10th - Christmas Dinner
Day

16th - Year 6 production
1:30pm and 6pm

17th - Christmas Party
Day

19th - School closes at
1:30pm

January

5th - School reopens
After school clubs start this week

12th - Year 6 Gangs
Workshops this week

20th - Year 6 Robinwood
Parents' Meeting at 3:30pm



KS1 Christmas Concert





This Week's Class Dojo Winners

Harper RK

Hannah RW

Amaya 1K

Zac 1W

Curtis 2K

Maja 2W

Adam 3K

Ellis Z 3W

Aubrey 4K

George 4W

Alexander 5K

Mia C 5W

Malayke 6K

Michael 6W

This Week's Big Question is linked to the British Values of Rule of Law and Tolerance :
Why is it important for people to stand up for what is right?

BIG QUESTION of the week!

Here is a summary of what the pupils thought:

1K - We have to help our friends and do the right thing. Not just for ourselves but for others, like our friends and family too.

1W - Not everyone might feel like they have a voice so you might have to stand up for others and be their voice.

2K - It is important to stand up for what is right to make sure everyone can join in and have the rights that we all should have.

2W- Because if nobody stands up for what's right, bad things will keep happening. When you stand up, you help make the world fair and nice for everyone.

3K - It is important for people to stand up for what is right because it helps keep everyone safe and happy. If nobody speaks up, unfair things might keep happening. Showing kindness and helping others, makes the world a better place for everybody.

3W - We do the right thing to help the people we care for. We should speak up if we see bullying or people being unkind either by standing up to them or telling an adult.

4W - So things can be fair and people will be treated fairly and equally. Even though people may get upset, you're still doing the right thing for others if you stand up for what is right.

5K - It is important to stand up for what is right, not only for yourself but also for others. We agreed that standing up for your beliefs helps protect fairness, and that some groups can be vulnerable, so it is important to make their voices heard too.

5W- It's important to stand up for what is right because it helps make the world fair and safe. If we don't speak up, wrong things can keep happening. Standing up for what is right shows courage and helps other people too.

6K - It is important to stand up for what is right so that everyone can be respected and treated as equals. It allows us to live in a better community if we all look after each other.

Next Week's Big Question is linked to the British Values of Tolerance and the Rule of Law:
How can we make sure that our schools and communities include everyone?



Year 5 Science

This week, 5W were extremely lucky to visit Meols Cop Science Dept where they got to explore their current science topic in more depth. They used exciting scientific equipment, whilst completing a distillation and filtration experiment!



Year 6 Maths



6K had a lot of fun taking part in a maths relay race in their maths lesson this week. Well done to our group of girls who were the champions of the class!



Developing A Love of Reading



Children across KS1 and KS2 enjoyed taking part in our book swap this week.



Competition Winners

Our finalists for the MP's Christmas Card Competition had a lovely time attending the celebration event where they were able to look at the other winning designs, celebrate the final winner of the competition and meet MP Patrick Hurley. They were also presented with a framed certificate and printed card with their design on.



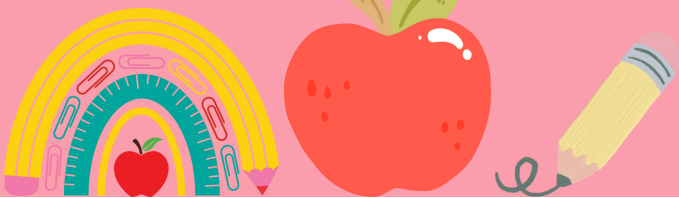
NURSERY

newsletter

This week

This week we have had a lovely time in Nursery!

We read the book One Snowy Night and enjoyed talking about the different animals and learning all about hibernation. In maths, we continued exploring patterns and had great fun completing and creating lots of different types of patterns.



Next week

Next week in Nursery, we will be reading Stick Man. In maths, we'll be recapping everything we have learnt this term, including number 1, number 2, AB patterns and ABC patterns. We will also be enjoying lots of Christmas activities, crafts and games as we get into the festive spirit.



Reminders

Please send your child with a named water bottle, spare clothes and shoes. Don't forget puddle suits and wellies so we can enjoy outdoor play in all weathers! Please could we ask that any fruit in lunch boxes is sliced or squashed to make it easier and safer for the children to enjoy



Online Safety

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators ELECTRICAL SAFETY AND DEVICES

Electrical safety is a vital topic for parents and educators, especially with the growing use of devices like smartphones, laptops, and power banks. Electrical fires are a major risk and are the cause of many deaths and injuries each year. There are reportedly nearly 20,000 accidental fires of electrical origin each year in the UK. This guide offers practical advice to help families and schools prevent electrical hazards, and promote safety when using everyday devices.

1 CHECK FOR OVERHEATING

Devices such as laptops, tablets, and smartphones can overheat if used for long periods or when charging. Ensure that children don't use devices on soft surfaces like beds or sofas, which can block ventilation. If a device becomes unusually hot, turn it off and unplug it. Overheating can lead to fire hazards if left unchecked.

2 INSTALL RESIDUAL CURRENT DEVICES

Ensure that homes and schools are equipped with Residual Current Devices (RCDs). These devices cut off the power if an electrical fault occurs, preventing electric shocks and reducing the risk of fires. RCDs should be tested regularly to ensure they are working properly. More information about RCDs is available from Electrical Safety First.

3 AVOID OVERLOADING SOCKETS

Plugging too many devices into one socket can overload the electrical system and cause a fire. In schools and homes, ensure extension leads are not overloaded and never 'daisy chain' multiple extension cords together. Educate children on the dangers of connecting too many devices to a single outlet.

4 POWER BANKS: SAFE USE

Power banks are a handy way to charge devices, but they can also pose a risk if misused. Ensure power banks are of high quality and comply with UK safety standards. Teach children never to leave power banks charging unattended, and to avoid placing them under pillows or bedding where they may overheat.

5 REGULAR DEVICE INSPECTIONS

Regularly check devices for signs of wear and tear. Frayed charging cables, cracked device casings, or devices that are slow to charge may indicate electrical problems. If any issues are noticed, stop using the device until it can be repaired or replaced by a qualified technician. This proactive approach helps prevent fires caused by faulty devices.

6 UNPLUG DEVICES WHEN NOT IN USE

Encourage children and pupils to unplug devices when not in use, particularly overnight. Devices left plugged in unnecessarily can overheat or become fire hazards, especially if left charging unattended for long periods. Simple habits like unplugging can prevent serious incidents.

7 USE GENUINE CHARGERS

Always use chargers supplied by the manufacturer or from a reputable retailer. Faulty or counterfeit chargers can cause devices to overheat, short-circuit, or even catch fire. Teach children the importance of avoiding poor-quality chargers, and regularly inspect charging cables for signs of wear or damage. More tips on safe charging can be found at Electrical Safety First.

8 WATER & ELECTRICITY DON'T MIX

Teach children that water and electricity are a dangerous combination. Devices should never be used near sinks, bathtubs, or swimming pools. Parents and educators should ensure that any electrical appliances near water sources have proper waterproof casings and are plugged into RCD-protected outlets.

9 KEEP DEVICES VENTILATED

Devices need proper ventilation to avoid overheating. Avoid stacking items on top of plugged-in devices like laptops or gaming consoles, and make sure there is enough space around devices to allow for airflow. Proper ventilation helps prevent dangerous heat build-up, reducing the risk of fires.

10 SUPERVISE YOUNG CHILDREN

Younger children may not understand the dangers of electricity, so it's important to supervise them when they are using devices. Keep electrical cords out of reach and always remind children never to put objects into electrical outlets.

Meet Our Expert

James Whelan is an experienced health and safety expert who is a Chartered Member of the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health. He provides services to educational settings as well as many other industries to help them maintain a safe working environment.



#WakeUp
Wednesday

The
National
College



15 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER ATTENDANCE PRIZE DRAW

BE IN SCHOOL AND ON TIME EVERY DAY
IN DECEMBER TO BE ENTERED IN THE
CHRISTMAS PRIZE DRAW.

YOU HAVE TO BE IN,
TO BE IN WITH A CHANCE TO WIN!



Join us in the forest for...

Marshmallows and Magic



Plus a visit
from some
very special
enchanted
animal friends!

Experience a Christmas inspired by nature!

Make woodland crafts, explore winter
wildlife, toast snacks around the fire and
enjoy hands-on play in the fresh forest air.

Norwood Primary School

Saturday 13th December 10am | 12pm | 2pm



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Gang of Elk

bookwhen.com/gangofelk



You can also drop your child's cards and/or pictures at school until 12th December.



Christmas Appeal 2025



We're appealing for cards and pictures to cheer up our patients this Christmas and brighten their stay.



You can post your cards and artwork to:

Patient Experience Team
Legal Services, Whiston Hospital,
Prescot, L35 5DR


or

Patient Experience Team
CMO Office, Southport Hospital,
Town Lane, PR8 6PN



You can also email your cards and artwork to:

Patientexperienceandedi@merseywestlancs.nhs.uk



Please send all submissions by Friday 19th December 2025. Please include your name and address so we send you a thank you letter on behalf of MWL and our patients.

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YOU



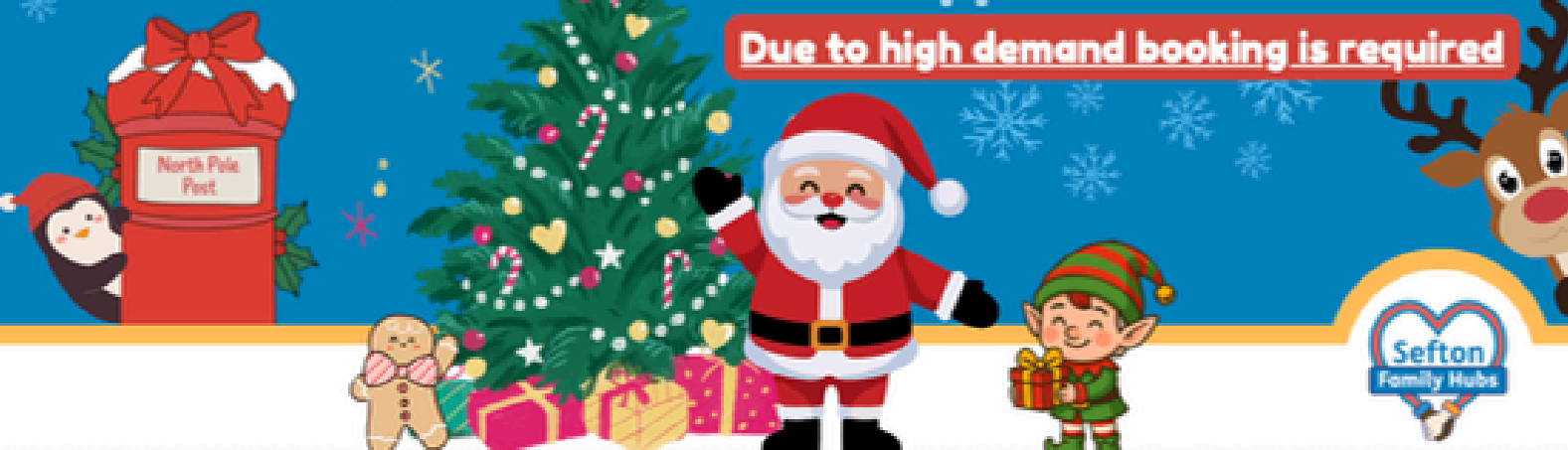
Sefton Family Hubs



Our Christmas Timetable

Support. Grow. Thrive.

Due to high demand booking is required



Sefton Family Hubs

South Family Hubs
Marie Clarke, Seaforth & Cambridge

Monday
8th December
Marie Clarke

Tuesday
16th December
Seaforth

Friday
19th December
Marie Clarke

Monday
22nd December
Cambridge

Monday
22nd December
Cambridge

Christmas Wreath Making

Time: 4pm - 5:30pm
Ages: Parents, carers and anyone aged 11+

Join us for a festive, hands-on session where you'll learn how to create your own beautiful Christmas wreath.

Booking required

Christmas Party - Reindeer Visit and Santa's Grotto

Time: 3:30pm - 7:30pm
Ages: 5-18 years

Families can enjoy meeting real live reindeer, playing festive games, and dancing at our fun-filled Christmas disco. Every child will have the chance to visit Santa in his grotto, receive a small age-appropriate gift, and take home a special photo to create lasting family memories.

Food: Warm winter dishes and a fruity seasonal dessert will be provided to keep everyone cosy and happy.

Booking required

Christmas Breakfast/Brunch/Supper with Santa

1st session
Time: 10am - 12pm
Ages: 0-5 years

2nd session
Time: 3pm - 5pm
ages: 5-11 years

Start the day with festive fun! Children can enjoy dancing, musical statues, and pass the parcel, all designed to encourage movement and joy. The highlight of the morning will be a special visit from Santa, who will bring a small gift for each child and create magical memories with a photo opportunity.

Food: A warm breakfast featuring muffins, pancakes, and fresh fruit with berries.

Booking required

Christmas Explorers

Time: 10am - 2pm
Ages: 0-11 years

Children will explore the magic of Christmas through play, imagination, and expressive physical activities to boost learning and development, while families enjoy opportunities to strengthen attachment and positive parenting. These festive activities also support school readiness in a fun, interactive environment.

Food: Healthy Christmas-themed snacks will be provided.

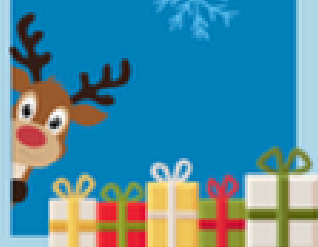
Booking required

Christmas Chefs

Time: 11am - 3pm
Ages: 0-11 years

Join us for an enchanting festive cookery session! This fun, interactive experience promotes physical, social, and emotional growth while encouraging creativity in the kitchen. Children will enjoy making Christmas-themed treats in a supportive, family-friendly environment.

Booking required



Tuesday
9th December

Christmas Wreath Making

Time: 4pm - 5:30pm
Ages: Parents, carers and anyone aged 11+

Join us for a festive, hands-on session where you'll learn how to create your own beautiful Christmas wreath.

Booking required

Thursday
18th December

Christmas Party - Reindeer Visit and Santa's Grotto

Time: 3:30pm - 7:30pm
Ages: 5-18 years

Families can enjoy meeting real live reindeer, playing festive games, and dancing at our fun-filled Christmas disco. Every child will have the chance to visit Santa in his grotto, receive a small age-appropriate gift, and take home a special photo to create lasting family memories.

Food: Warm winter dishes and a fruity seasonal dessert will be provided to keep everyone cosy and happy.

Booking required

Monday
22nd December

Christmas Breakfast/Brunch with Santa

Time: 10am - 2pm
Ages: 0-11 years

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Monday
22nd December

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Booking required

Monday
22nd December

Christmas Chefs

Time: 10am - 2pm
Ages: 0-11 years

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Booking required



Litherland Family Hub: Boundary Road, Litherland, L21 7LA | 0151 288 6661 | Netherton.FWC@sefton.gov.uk
Call us to book your place



Wednesday
10th December

Christmas Wreath Making

Time: 4pm - 5:30pm
Ages: Parents, carers and anyone aged 11+

Join us for a festive, hands-on session where you'll learn how to create your own beautiful Christmas wreath.

Booking required

Monday
15th December

Christmas Brunch/Supper with Santa

1st session
Time: 1pm - 3pm
Ages: 0-5 years

2nd session
Time: 4pm - 6pm
Ages: 5 - 11 years

Start the day with festive fun! Children can enjoy dancing, musical statues, and pass the parcel, all designed to encourage movement and joy. The highlight of the morning will be a special visit from Santa, who will bring a small gift for each child and create magical memories with a photo opportunity.

Food: A warm breakfast featuring muffins, pancakes, and fresh fruit with berries.

Booking required

Wednesday
17th December

Christmas Party - Reindeer Visit and Santa's Grotto

Time: 3:30pm - 7:30pm
Ages: 5-18 years

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Food: Warm winter dishes and a fruity seasonal dessert will be provided to keep everyone cosy and happy.

Booking required

Monday
22nd December

Christmas Chefs

1st session
Time: 1pm - 3pm
Ages: 5-8 years

2nd session
Time: 3:30pm - 5:30pm
Ages: 9 - 11 years

Join us for an enchanting festive cookery session! This fun, interactive experience promotes physical, social, and emotional growth while encouraging creativity in the kitchen. Children will enjoy making Christmas-themed treats in a supportive, family-friendly environment.

Booking required

Tuesday
23rd December

Christmas Explorers

Neurodiverse Sessions
Time: 11am - 1pm
Ages: 5 - 8 years

Time: 1:30pm - 3:30pm
Ages: 9 - 11 years

Children will explore the magic of Christmas through play, imagination, and expressive physical activities to boost learning and development, while families enjoy opportunities to strengthen attachment and positive parenting. These festive activities also support school readiness in a fun, interactive environment.

Food: Healthy Christmas-themed snacks will be provided.

Booking required



Talbot Family Hub, St. Andrews Place, Southport, PR8 1HR | 01704 534975 | TalbotSt.FWC@sefton.gov.uk
Call us to book your place



Sefton Parent/Carer SEND Survey

We would like to gather your views, as parents/carers of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND), on what is going well and what could be improved in our local area.

HAVE YOUR SAY BY 8TH MARCH 2026

visit yourseftonyoursay.sefton.gov.uk



Sefton Council

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EarlyBird Programme

Does your child have a diagnosis of Autism or on the pathway for a diagnosis. Join the National Autistic Society's EarlyBird programme for parents and carers of children aged under 6 years.

Our next programme will run for 6 consecutive Wednesdays starting 21st January 2026 (there will be no session during half term 18th February 2026) There will be sessions available AM and PM and confirmed once all applications have been received

The sessions will take place at Thomas Gray Primary School Chestnut Grove Bootle L20 4LX



The six-session programme covers:

- understanding autism
- communication
- understanding autistic experiences
- supporting daily living
- health and wellbeing
- connections.

"This has made a real difference to me. In general, life-changing."
Parent



The EarlyBird programme aims to empower parents and supporting professionals to understand more about autism and discuss useful strategies on how to support autistic children.

For more information and an application pack please contact

Name: Tina Galletly

Contact: tina.galletly@sefton.gov.uk

Applications to be submitted by Monday 01.12.25
2025



Free places available at our Christmas Sport Camps

Dear Parents/Guardians,

FREE PLACES for benefit related Free school meal children

As part of the HAF program we have limited FREE places available on a first come first served basis. We will be providing a healthy hot meal and snack supplied by an outside caterer along with drinks throughout the day.

To receive a free place your child must meet the following criteria:

- be eligible for benefit related Free school meals and live in Sefton
- attend for a minimum 4 hours per funded day
- It will be on a first come first served basis
- Please state that you are eligible for the free place on the text. I have to then check this with school to confirm eligibility

Camp 1: Multi Sports at Linacre Primary School, Bootle, L20 5ED - enter via school entrance - Drop off at 9am - pick up at 3pm.

Dates: 22nd December
23rd December
29th December
30th December
2nd January

Camp 2: Multi Sports at Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School, Birkdale, PR8 4LT - enter via big blue gate - Drop off at 9am - pick up at 3pm.

Dates: 22nd December
23rd December
29th December
30th December
2nd January

To reserve a place please send a text to 07725189965 stating your child's name, if they are eligible for a Free place or not, all dates that you want your child to attend and your child's school and current year group.

If you require any further information please give me a call on 07725189965. **A confirmation text will be sent once booking is received. You must bring the completed form below with you on your child's first day at camp.**

Name..... Age.....

Parent Name & Emergency Contact Number 1

Parent Name & Emergency Contact Number 2

Any medical condition or food allergies to be aware of?

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Any other special instruction or behavioural considerations?

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Collection Password.....

I do / do not give consent to photography/videography for social media (please circle)

Signed.....Date.....



Community Multi Sports Coaching



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Christmas Sport Camp's **£15 per day**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Community Multi Sports Coaching are delighted to announce our Christmas Sports Camp. The cost is £15 per day. Please book at least 1 week before the camp start date.

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Drop off at 9am - pick up at 3pm.**

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2nd January

Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. To book a place please send a text to 07725189965 stating your child's name, year group and camp week. You will then need to make payment directly to **Community Multi Sports Coaching LTD (Sort code: 04-06-05 . Account No: 28907710)**. Please put your child's surname and school as a payment reference so I know who has made the payment. A confirmation text will be sent once payment is received.

If you require any further information please give me a call on **07725189965**.
Please bring the following:

- Suitable Footwear/Clothing to play on the playground or in the school hall.
- Packed lunch and drinks
- Completed reply slip below to give to our coaches

Kind Regards,

Community Multi Sports Coaching Ltd

Name..... Age.....

Parent Name & Emergency Contact Number 1

Parent Name & Emergency Contact Number 2

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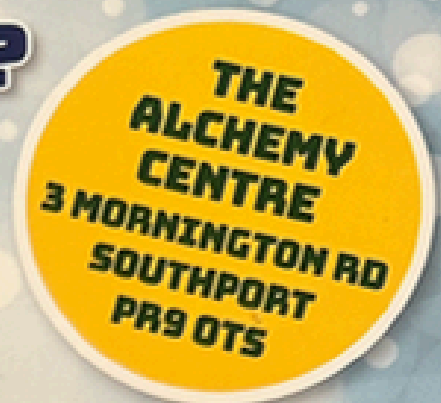
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Signed.....Date.....

**WE ARE OPEN FROM 8.30^{AM} - 2.00^{PM}
24TH + 25TH + 26TH DECEMBER**

ARE YOU VULNERABLE?

**DON'T BE COLD ...
OR HUNGRY ...
OR ALONE AT CHRISTMAS**



BREAKFAST ■ HOT LUNCH ■ TAKEOUT DINNER

Southport Christmas Shelter provide a warm and welcoming environment over the festive season, where you can come along to enjoy hot and cold food throughout the day, as well as checking-out our huge selection of warm winter clothing



**EVERYTHING
FREE**



EMAIL:
xmasshelter.southport@gmail.com

APPLY FOR A SCHOOL PLACE

Is your child born on or between
01/09/2021 and 31/08/2022?

If so, your child is due to start
school September 2026!



**You MUST apply for a school place
online before 15 January 2026**

For more information or to make an
application, scan our QR code or go to
www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool



sefton.gov.uk 0151 934 3590
admissions@sefton.gov.uk

Sefton Council

