

# Liverpool College PRIMARY NEWSLETTER





Friday 15 September 2023

### Congratulations to our Prefects



James C, Rowan C,Rosie M-L, Sylvia P, Lorca S, Alannah B, Jack B, Elana E, William G, Eva H, Anna S, Emmie T, Mya T, Mae H, Pearl J, Alice M, Aidyn R,

Head Girl Elana E Deputy Pearl J Head Boy William G Deputy Jack B



1R have been learning Ukulele this week.
The children and teachers enjoyed learning together as Mr Jones, one of our music specialists, taught us to play Twinkle,
Twinkle

### Headteacher's Award



Well done to the following pupils who were given
Headteacher's Award certificates this week.

Sienna K, Nova P, River C, Robin R, Bella M, Xavier S, Allissa K, Mohamed H, Albie A-D, Jake T, Cathal H, Yeva I, Phoenix O, Elsie B, Tobias T, Jacob Mc, Sunny O, Quinn S, Ted M-W, Hannah V-D-H, Shea B, Hareem K, Oscar O, Isabelle R, Dexter A, Seren J, Ellie N, Daniel D, Rose M, Orla B, Ehaan A, Freya R, Benjamin B, Nathaniel M, Heidi B, Harrison L, Elana E, Sofia S, Noah G, Pearl J,

## Reception Family Friday Amendment to date

Please note of date change for "Family Friday".

Family Friday will now start on Friday
13<sup>th</sup> October 2023 2pm - 3pm not Friday
6<sup>th</sup> October as mentioned in last week's
newsletter. It will be lovely to see
parents/carers at our monthly Family
Friday session, which will provide
parents/carers with the opportunity to
spend some time with your child in their
classroom and learn a little bit more
about school life.



Phonics homework has been set for all children today, but this will look different depending on the stage your child is presently working at. All children in Year 1 and 2, and some in Reception should come home today with a reading book that has been carefully matched to their reading ability. The book they have brought home contains sounds and words they already know. This may be a sound blending book, the storybook they have just read at school, a new story related to their school reading, or a non-fiction text at the same level. Please don't worry that books are too easy, home reading is designed to be "extra practice" and an opportunity to show off their success to their grown-ups. Children enjoy rereading stories they know well; their speed and understanding improves on every read.

When you have read with your child, we request that you make a note in their yellow 'Reading Record' book. Year 1 and Year 2 books should be returned on a Friday, and Reception books should be returned on a Thursday. Unfortunately, we have had a lot of books go missing last year and these are costly to replace. If books are not returned each week your child's teacher will not give your child any new books.

If your child is not quite ready to access our reading books you will see that they have been assigned phonics films to watch via Seesaw. These films are excellent reinforcement for what your child has been learning in school. The children love them!

Thank you for all your support in teaching our children to read - being able to read independently opens so many doors for them.





Congratulations to the following boys in Year 1Q for receiving their football trophies. Luca, Nathan and Omari



Well done to Alex who was man of the match in football



Congratulations to Elliot (2P) after completing his 25 metre swimming badge.



Well done to Lucy 5Q who gained her yellow belt in Goju Ryu karate.



#### PTA News

The AGM meeting happened on Tuesday

evening and a new committee was formed. You can find full details in the PTA's newsletter.

The PTA have started preparations for many events starting with the new starter events for reception Ch3 and 7 as they embark on their journey, followed by the traditional Halloween discos for the primary phase and full school get together for the fireworks. More information in the PTA newsletter.

### Instrumental Lessons

Attached to the letter is all the information regarding instrumental lessons in the primary phase. If you wish your child to start instrumental or singing lessons this term please complete the New Starter Form by scanning the QR code below.



### Preplings Choir

As ever Preplings is open to ANY CHILDREN in chapters 2 - 6.

Please scan the QR Code below to sign up!!!

PLEASE CAN CURRENT SINGERS ALSO SCAN AND COMPLETE THE REQUIRED INFORMATION - this is to ensure our registers are accurate!



### BPM (College Orchestra)

Pick up is from Godwyn House (next to the school shop) at 5pm.

Please scan the QR Code below to sign up!!!



#### Advanced Notice of upcoming events:

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** - Reception Harvest Festival

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Chapter 1 and 2 Harvest Festival - 9am in the reflection centre

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October - Prep School Harvest Festival - 9am in the reflection centre.

Founders Day - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October - Liverpool Anglican Cathedral at 12 noon (choir members and musicians will be required earlier information to follow)



### <u>Call for all parents, careers,</u> <u>grandparents and volunteers!</u>

We are looking for volunteers to read oneon-one with children across the primary phase each week. If you are interested, contact Miss Finnegan using the email address below. Thanks! jfinnegan@liverpoolcollege.org.uk

### Please see below House Assembly Dates

20/9/23	У6Р
4/10/23	Y6Q
18/10/23	Y6R



Mrs Pease will hold a parents' coffee morning the final Friday of each month from 8.45-9.45am.

### Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Mon Sept	Reception Phonics
18th	evening 6-7pm
Tues Oct	Reception Harvest ST
3rd	Hall 2.30pm
Wed Oct	Y1 & 2 Harvest 9am
4th	Chapel
Thurs Oct	Prep Harvest 9am
5th	Chapel
Fri Oct 6th	Founders' Day (Prep)
Mon Oct 9th	Prep Halloween disco
Wed Oct	Pre Prep Halloween disco
11th	
Mon Oct	Parents' evening
16th	(Hybrid)
Wed Oct	Parents' evening
18th	(Hybrid)
Wed Nov	Book Open evening
8th	
15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Book fair
Wed Dec	Prep School Christingle
13th	Service 7pm (Mossley
	Hill Church)
Thurs Dec	Prep School Christingle
14th	Service 7pm (Mossley
	Hill Church)
Mon Dec	Y1 xmas performance
18th	11am
Mon Dec	Y1 xmas performance
18th	2pm
Tues Dec	Reception 1 xmas
19th	performance 2pm
Wed Dec	Reception 3 xmas
20th	performance 2pm
Thurs Dec	Reception 2 xmas
21st	performance 2pm



### love the journey

Welcome to the brand-new LC+ section of our school newsletter! Every week, you can read about all of the exciting things we have been doing as part of our LC+ curriculum. LC+ represents all of the things we do in Liverpool College in addition to the academic curriculum (hence the +!) As a school, we place great emphasis on the personal development of all of our pupils, which is reflected in our motto 'Not only the intellect, but also the character', so we aim to provide an array of different activities and opportunities for our pupils' to develop a range of personal skills such as teamwork, problem solving and resilience. We also want our children to experience lots of different things, in the hope that it may ignite a passion that lasts a lifetime. We have specific LC+ sessions in our timetable, as well as other opportunities such as assemblies, school plays and sports fixtures, and each week we are going to share some of these with you!

### **Chapter 1**

This week Chapter 1 have enjoyed Cosmic Yoga and learning relaxation breathing skills and using these throughout the week. They have also started to learn some Makaton signs for food and can't wait to teach them to their grown-ups! Chapter 1R had a lovely time learning to play 'Twinkle. Twinkle' using the ukuleles

### Chapter 2

This week, Chapter 2 have been continuing to practise their Makaton skills. We have learnt the signs for greetings such as 'hello', 'goodbye', 'nice to meet you', 'welcome' and 'good morning'. It has been fun and useful learning songs to help us remember all of these. The Singing Hands channel on YouTube is an excellent resource for children to use at home if they'd like to practise even more! In our Art Skills session, children developed their colouring skills by practising colouring neatly within the lines of different shapes. This built on our pencil grip work last week, where we learnt the 'nip, flip, arip' technique.

### **Chapter 3**

This week in Year 3, the children have enjoyed having some 'THINK' time to reflect on the start of their journey in Prep school. They started with 'K' for kindness, thinking about how they can be kind to themselves and to others, with a mission to do one random act of kindness. We've already seen children helping each other to tie shoelaces and showing appreciation to their teachers. We have also begun our very own Dragon's Den. Children have been researching and developing their own menus for a brand new restaurant. This week, they will work together as a team to decide on their final menu choices and design their plates of food.

### **Chapter 4**

Year 4 have had a great week in LC+. We began the week with Mind Time, where we practised mindfulness in our classrooms, learning how to calm our minds by focusing on the present moment, and using breathing techniques to get rid of distractions, which wasn't easy! In Money & Me, we learnt about the word 'interest', and also discussed some of the different things we can do with our money, such as spending, saving and donating. In our Get Creative session, we learn how to create a self-portrait, then had a go at our own, with some very imaginative results! Each class has also been treated to some marvellous Time to Shine moments, from Spice Girls dance routines to numbers in different languages and even a press-ups contest!

### **Chapter 5**

This week in Year 5 we have been learning some new yoga poses - our pose of the week was the Scorpion pose! We also tried many other animal-inspired poses and the butterfly has been a firm favourite (because it's easy as well as relaxing and doesn't require too much balance!). We have also started our English Speaking Board sessions too, beginning with some poetry reading! In our Brainteaser session this week, we have been completing word searches about autumn - many of us even wanted extras to complete during break times and lunchtimes!

### Chapter 6

Year 6 have had a busy week of LC\* activities this week. They have been jogging and walking twice this week. Children are setting themselves challenges to try and increase their fitness by trying to jog more than they are walking and trying to complete more laps in the time given as the term moves on. One of our classes also went swimming while another class had a dancing session with Mrs Whitehead. In addition to all that the children also did some training on how to help the younger children and help them with any problems they may be having on the yard. There will be more interesting work done in this area of the coming weeks.

### **Whole School**

This week saw the first of our new Reflection assemblies, and it was wonderful to see all of the children come together for this special and important time. Our Activity program in Prep is in full swing. We've had dance classes, art and drawing clubs, computer and iPad club, a Languages club, sports galore and even a new DT club where some children made a fantastic craft with Mrs MacFarlane. We are well and truly 'back' after summer now!

### **Sports Report**

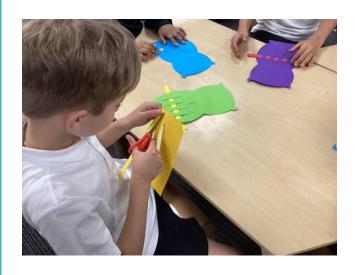
Sport begins in earnest next week with a busy week of fixtures, and we will report on them in this part of the newsletter. Our cross country runners have been training hard at lunch times, and there's huge anticipation and several hundred questions for the team trials which take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> at lunch time - please remember your trainers! Congratulations to the ten Year 4 girls who have been selected for our fixture vs Monksdown on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>, they are all very excited!

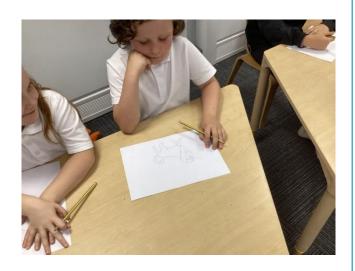


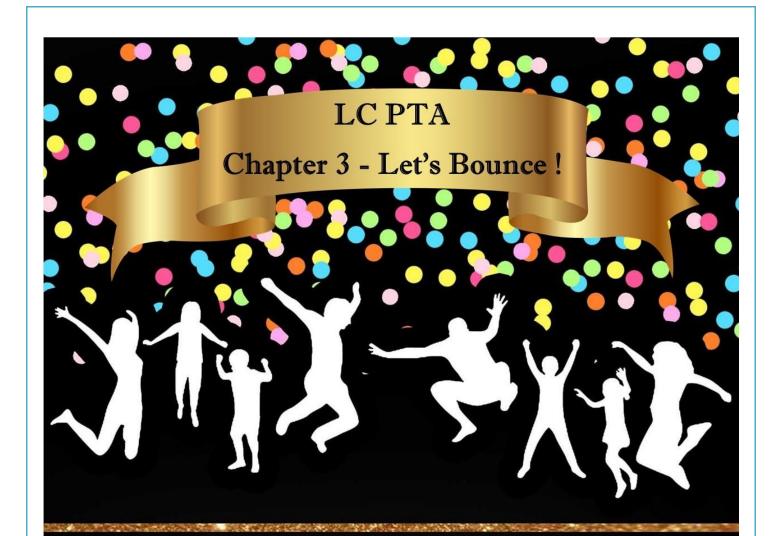












# Sunday 24th September Bounce House, Brunswick Business Park 5.15pm-6.30pm

Tickets £15 (inc. pizza, chips & drink)
Siblings Welcome (on a first come first served basis)

Letter will be available on MCAS
Form & Payment deadline 19th September





