

Prep School Newsletter

Friday 10th January 2020

**HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM ALL THE
PREP SCHOOL STAFF!
WE WELCOME YOU BACK TO THE
START OF SPRING TERM 2020!**

On Behalf of the staff I would like to thank all parents and carers for the well wishes and gifts we received before the Christmas holidays.

The way that we communicate with parents and carers changed last year. We launched our website, if you have accessed our newsletter via the website you will have seen how easy it now is to navigate and we launched the school app.

I would strongly encourage you to read the newsletter and regularly check the app and website calendar for information and updates on events and clubs that are happening during the term. If your child is not collected by you they will be sent to afterschool.

The app is available in all app stores for free search for 'Liverpool College'. When you have downloaded the app, you will automatically receive all website calendar items and all news stories. But, there is more. **If you go to Settings (listed under Menu) on the app and click on 'Chose notifications group' you will be able to select from more than 30 categories all those areas of school life about which you would like to be kept informed.**

Morning routine

- Registration is at 8:40am. Too many children are coming in late, please ensure that you arrive at school on time. Children who arrive after 8:50am will be given a late mark.
- Children can come in through the gates from 8:15am
- They will be supervised on the playground until 8:35am
- Children may run around (but no ball games at this play)
- If it is raining or icy the children will be supervised in school.

End of day routine

- Monday, Wednesday and Friday pick up time is 3:15pm unless they are attending an afterschool activity or homework club.
- Tuesday and Thursday pick up time is 4pm unless they are attending an afterschool activity or homework club
- Please ensure that your child/ren are collected on time. Children who are not collected at the correct time will be sent to after school and this will incur a charge.

This term Mrs Webb and 7 Selwyns would like the whole college (including families of children in Pre-Prep, Prep School, Upper School and the Sixth Form to support and join them and the Miss Whittell's Eco Club in two recycling challenges.

The first by donating **clean plastic bottle tops**. They are collecting them on behalf of the Liverpool College Imagineering Centre who with the help of Mr Cartwright they will be recycled by melting and shredding them down to form new plastic materials that students can use when manufacturing their design work. Plastic bottle tops from milk bottles, pop bottles and juice bottles can all be donated.

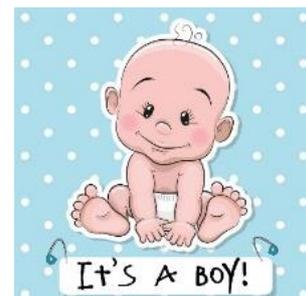
Please ask your child to drop them in the recycling boxes in the reception area of Pre-Prep and Prep School and also in MV13 and C5 where they will be collated. There will also be a collection point in Godwyn House for the 6th Form. This project will go until Easter and we have set ourselves a target of collecting 2500 bottle tops.



The second recycling challenge is for families to make **Eco Bottles**. Eco bottles are a way of collecting plastic which cannot be recycled (sweet wrappers, crisp packets, clean food packaging etc...) To create an Eco Bottle you need to:

- Use an empty 2 litre fizzy drinks bottle and wash it out. Keep the lid.
- Cut plastic wrappers into smaller pieces so that bottles can be filled with lots of nonrecyclable plastic

- Once full (plastic can be pushed down to create more room) bring the bottle to your recycle collection point in either Pre-Prep, Prep, Middle, Upper School or 6th Form
- Lots of bottles will be needed to create recycled waste bins for Miss Shackell's Forest School and garden planters in Upper school.



It's A Boy !!!
 Congratulations to Mr Stamper and his wife Baby Oscar was born on Tuesday morning.

Headteacher's Award

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

Olivia L, Finlay M, Molly B, Jack W,
Che H, Eddy McN, Maro O, Hanaa C,
Serena S, Anya S, Aliyah K, Thomas
B, Taikias W, Annabelle L, Bailie H,
Anna H, Aadil Q, Sean L, Cian T,
Dylan L & Olivia T.



Choir and BPM
return as normal
next week!



Equip school
return next
week please
check school

bags for letters regarding places!



The next payment for
the Prep Ski trip is due
on Monday 3rd
February. Please log
into parent pay to
check your balance.



Play rehearsals on Thursday
28th November are for Main
Parts and Group 1 only! Until
5.30pm. Pick up from the Prep
School entrance.

Band rehearsals for Popstars
begin on Monday 13th January.

Any children wishing to be part
of the band this year should
meet Miss Clark with
instruments outside Mrs Herron
office. Children should be
collected from Godwyn House
at 4:30pm



New for
January we
have pop
lacrosse
after school
club starting
on Thursday 16th January at 4:15pm -
5:15pm for Year's 4, 5 and 6.



Forest School: New Beginnings

Welcome back to forest school, mud and all the delights of the cold, January weather!!

It's delightful to see the shoots of new life peering through the dark earth, the bluebells and crocus are ready to emerge and show themselves in glorious beauty.

We began our sessions with year 6 and 5 who have managed to collect 4 bags of litter from around our site!! That's rubbish either thrown over the fence, or blown in by the windy weather we've had over Christmas.

Our "Scout Skills" activity group and our usual Thursday group took our outdoor skills to a new level this week. The children listened carefully to safety



instructions for the safe use of a sheath knife. They were fully supervised then whilst they whittled holly tree stems and larger sticks into marshmallow toasting sticks. The children worked together, encouraging and supporting each other while they worked their tools.



We practised using the flint and steel to light balls of cotton wool, Joe was superb in his instruction to his peers.

As a seasoned scout, his skills are put to great use in our woods. Junior and Cian successfully lit our lovely fire and Molly and



Freya kept it alight to warm our bones on the cold January day.

Gabby and Christine and Riley built a "secret" den...then watched Sky Sports from the comfort of

it...better known as the Rugby on the pitch!! The imagination of the children is a delight.

Our 3 robins continue to visit us, getting ever closer. We tried to hand feed them today but they are still a little bit timid.

From next week, we aim to include some of our year 4 children into Forest School via the



activity programme on a Tuesday and Thursday.

We will let the children know who is attending so that they can ensure they have their kit in school on their day. It is still very muddy and cold, so full kit and outdoor coat are essential.

Thank you again for your support, we couldn't do it without you!!

Weekly Class Attendance and Punctuality Awards

Class	Attendance %		Punctuality %	
3R	98.2	😊	98.2	😊
3Q	99.1	😊	99.1	😊
3P	100	😊	100	😊
4R	99.6	😊	99.1	😊
4P	95.1	😞	96.4	😞
4Q	98.2	😊	98.2	😊
5P	97.2	😊	96.3	😞
5Q	98.7	😊	98.2	😊
6Q	98.2	😊	98.2	😊
6P	96.9	😞	96.4	😞

Well done to **3P Form** for the best attendance this week with **100%**! Keep up the good work, as we want all of our 'Mr and Mrs Potato Heads' to be clothed!

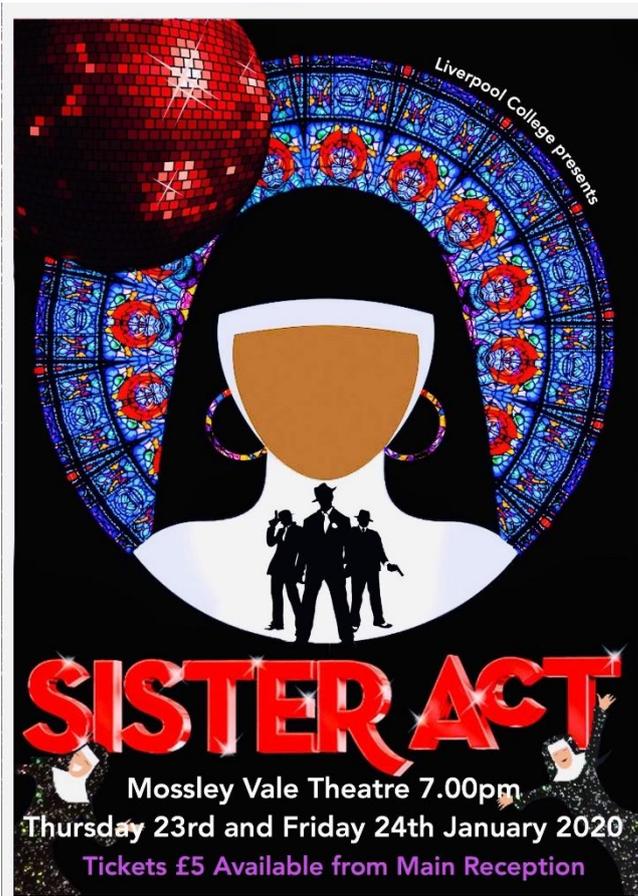


Best wishes to you all
for a good weekend
**Mrs A Pease - Head of
Prep**

A full Spring 2020 term calendar has been emailed to parents and is available on the website

Mon 13 Jan Futsal and Eyeline Art clubs begin afterschool

Thurs 16 Jan 5P Class assembly 8:45am



PLEASE CHECK THAT ALL KIT/UNIFORM IS NAMED THIS WEEKEND

We have rather a lot of unnamed lost property in the lost property box.

