
LIVERPOOL COLLEGE

A School of Character

Principal's Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic week we've enjoyed!



The main focus has of course been our festive celebrations. The week's Christmas events began with our secondary pupils journeying up to Mossley Hill Parish Church on Monday for their annual Christmas Service; the choir and orchestra performing so ably in front of their peers is always both admirable and character building. This was swiftly followed on Tuesday evening by our annual Service of Readings & Carols. It is hard to select just one highlight to mention as it was all excellent but a personal favourite of mine was the orchestra's rousing performance of 'Joy to The World'. Prep Christingles then followed on Wednesday and Thursday night with the theme of 'Christmas around the World'. Wonderful performances from the Preplings choir and clearly articulated readings were delivered in a variety of different languages, with the Christingle candles illuminating the church so magically.

I want to say a huge thank you and well done to everyone involved in these special and joyous occasions – Miss Green and Mr Stamper for organising and leading the services, Mr Bishop and Miss Clark for all their work to create the magical music we enjoyed, and to all the staff who make these events possible: our CCF and operational staff helping cross pupils safely over the roads on their travels to the church and back again, the estates team for transporting the vast array of musical equipment back and forth, and those on supervision and first aid duty. A big thank you as well to our fantastic PTA volunteers for running the ever-popular refreshment stall each night and to all the parents, carers and families who came along to join in the

celebrations and support our pupils. I must also pass on my thanks to the team at Mossley Hill Parish Church for their very warm welcome and support. Most importantly however is my thank you and well done to all the pupils involved: from the singers in the choirs, our musicians in the orchestra and music groups, to the fantastic readers at each of the services and the pupils who looked after the technical side of the services - it was truly a magnificent effort!

We are not finished yet with our celebrations though as we look forward to the Pre Prep classes taking centre stage next week and dazzling their families with their Christmas performances. With end of term celebrations and awards assemblies across the school as well, we have a lot to fit into two and a half days! And may I also wish the Sixth Form Geographers and Prefect Team safe travels as they head to Morocco for their Sixth Form fieldtrip over the weekend – learning up to the very end!

Some fantastic pupil achievements to highlight this week:

- Well done to Jaida L (C9) who has just been selected to represent Liverpool at football with Liverpool Schoolgirls for the fourth season. A tremendous achievement!
- Congratulations to Jack C (Chapter 6) who has been chosen to sing this Sunday with Aled Jones, in a production of 'The Snowman' at Marlborough College, celebrating the 40th anniversary of 'Walking in the air'.
- Mr Muscatelli reports that the Ch10 football team recorded one of the best results that Liverpool College has enjoyed in many a year on Wednesday afternoon, beating SFX 4-2 in the National Cup!

Our **artist of the week** this week is Che H (Ch9):



Title: *Christmas theme in perspective*

Our **musicians of the week** from Mr Bishop:

With the abundance of talent on display at the various Christmas events taking place across the College this week and next (from EYFS through to Ch 13) it is difficult to single out individual performances and credit must go to every pupil who has sung and/or played at the Carol services, Christingle services, and Nativity performances. Pupils have been busy in the classroom, also engaging in performances to their peers. Chapter 7 have been singing Electricity from Billy Elliot, Chapter 8 have been working hard with performances on keyboards and Chapter 9 have been creating cover versions of George Ezra's 'Shotgun'. A notable creative performance was led by Maria B (Ch 9) who had created a new version of this song, performed confidently to their class this week. Well done Maria!

During downtime during rehearsals for the secondary carol service on Tuesday this week, budding artist Joel C (Ch 7) drew and later painted this picture of the setup in Mossley Hill Church, a true masterpiece!



Some of our Ch8 and Ch9 pupils enjoyed a cybertech masterclass this week as Mrs Doran reports:

Did you know only 19% of Tech jobs in the North West are held by women?

Cybertech want to change all that, offering a superb insight into careers within technology and the huge opportunities on offer at a girls-only event held at Box park in Liverpool.



15 Tech enthused students from Ch8 and Ch9 were provided with superb opportunities to further explore cybersecurity, programming, 3D modelling, robotics and game development. They learnt about the personal and technical skills required to thrive in the tech fields. With a DJ, free pizza and prize draws thrown in, the days was a massive hit with all who attended.



Thank you to all the families who so generously supported Chapter 7 and 8s Whitechapel Centre appeal. This afternoon a representative from Whitechapel came to collect our donations, which had been set out in the specially designed hampers the pupils had created, and was blown away by the endeavour and generosity of our pupils. Thank you to Assistant Deans Miss Mathews (Ch7) and Mr Muscatelli (Ch8) for organising the appeal.



A reminder for secondary pupils from the Muslim Student Experience (MSE) group:

*We are hosting a waffle bake sale on Tuesday in the secondary phase and this time it's all about customizable waffles – choose your own toppings and make your perfect treat. And if waffles aren't your thing, don't worry - there'll be plenty of other baked goodies too!
Best of all, all profits will go to a charity that helps build wells in communities in need.*

Mrs Crook (SENCO) has received information from the Liverpool ASD Training Team about support and training courses available for parents in January. Please click on the links below to access further information:

- [Virtual one to one drop-in advisory sessions](#) (diagnosis of ASD is not required)
- [ASD Course – Targeted 4-7 years](#) (for parents whose child has an ASD diagnosis)
- [ASD Course – Targeted 8-11 years](#) (for parents whose child has an ASD diagnosis)

An important reminder to all parents that term ends at **12pm on Wednesday 17 December** and there is no afterschool that day. The new term begins for all pupils on Wednesday 7 January 2026. For pupils in the secondary phase, this will be Week A.

As this is my last newsletter of the term, can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continuing support, and pass on my best wishes to you and your family during this season.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Haynes
Principal

An important message for parents and guardians about keeping your family well this winter from Liverpool's Director of Public Health, Professor Matthew Ashton:

Flu is spreading earlier than usual this year. More people are getting sick. There are easy ways to help stop it spreading. Please remind your child to wash their hands often - especially before eating, after using the toilet, and after coughing and sneezing.

Encourage them to cover their nose and mouth when they cough or sneeze, and to wash their hands afterwards.

If they don't have a tissue, they can cough or sneeze into their elbow or sleeve, not their hands.

The flu vaccine is the best way to protect yourself from flu. If your child did not get their flu vaccine at school, you can bring them to a drop-in flu clinic this Saturday morning at Kensington Clinic, 9:30am–12:30pm for school-aged children. No booking is needed. The flu vaccine helps protect your child and family. It is safe and cannot give your child the flu.

Children can still come to school if they have a slight [cough](#) or a [common cold](#), (like a runny nose, sore throat or headache), as long as they are otherwise well and do not have a high temperature. But if they have a high temperature, keep them off school until the temperature has gone.