



Aintree Davenhill Primary School Newsletter

Friday 4
October
2024

Boys' Football Tournament

Last Friday afternoon, some Year 6 boys played in a football tournament at Chesterfield. The boys were placed in group A and played against 7 schools. The boys were amazing, they worked as a team, defended and attacked effectively and passed the ball with great skill. After playing their seven games, they had won 5 of their matches and drawn 2 of them and they had not conceded a goal. This left Aintree Davenhill as group winners. They moved on to play St Mary's in the final. The final ended as a 1 – 1 draw in which Coen scored an amazing free kick right into the top corner. Unfortunately, the boys lost on penalties but will go onto play in the Maghull final in the new year. All of the boys were a credit to Aintree Davenhill and it was a very enjoyable afternoon. Thank you for the parents for taking the children and also to Mr Hardwick for his coaching of the team.



Dates for the diary...

October

Wednesday 9th
FLU Immunisations

Thursday 10th
World Mental Health
Day (Wear Yellow)

Friday 18th
Harvest Assemblies

Friday 25th
School finishes 3:15

Thursday 31st
National Closing Date
for Secondary school
applications

**Monday 28th-Friday
1st**
HALF TERM



Cross Country

Last Tuesday, at The Northern Cricket Club in Crosby, some of our Year 5 and 6 children took part in a cross-country race. All the children were excited and worked incredibly hard. We are very proud of how they represented the school, supported each other and how they achieved many commendable finishes including a podium finish for Isla in Year 5. A big thank you to the parents who transported and supported all of the children. We are looking forward to our next fixture, which is on Wednesday 9th October.



Digital Leaders and Class Digital Champions at Aintree Davenhill



This school year, we will continue to develop the role of our Y6 'Digital Leaders' (DLs) who have been joined by 4 new Y5 DLs. They were selected by their previous teacher because they consistently demonstrated that they were interested, enthusiastic and had the potential to be an excellent role model for 'Computing' and 'Online Safety' during their time in Y4. There will also be times when our Digital Leaders will work collaboratively with our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors.

Our 'Digital Leaders' are responsible for monitoring the technology that is used across school. They will receive training and work with Miss Taylor, which will enable them to become advocates for good behaviour with technology, support teachers where ever possible and to showcase a range of digital skills. Most importantly, they will also be able to develop their own skills. The ultimate aim is that each of them will become an exemplar for what is achievable with technology and increase the impact of computing in our school!

Some of the tasks they will take responsibility for may include...

- helping to look after the storing, charging and the distribution of devices such as laptops and iPads
- assisting with the smooth running of computing lessons by helping teachers and other pupils
- becoming ambassadors of technology and computing by supporting other children in lessons and promoting correct behaviour
- promoting online safety by sharing their online safety knowledge and advice
- helping to create digital resources such as digital Displays and video lesson resources e.g. create a video demonstrating how to login to the laptop
- demonstrating computing skills to children and parents
- supporting with technology in school assemblies to ensure that they run smoothly
- taking photographs for special occasions

This year we have also introduced 'Class Digital Champions' (CDCs) who will support the Digital Leaders by looking after school computing equipment and providing support at a class level.

This week the Digital Leaders went into classes from Y1 to Y6 to talk about their role across school and to introduce the Class Digital Champions in each class and introduce their role. The teachers all commented that they did a great job speaking to the class and were very professional in their role! Well done everyone!

We'll keep you updated with their progress over the coming months!

**CLASS DIGITAL
CHAMPION**

P.E Kits Reminder

Black shorts

Black plain tracksuit

Plain white t-shirt

Plain black slip on pumps (for indoor use)

Trainers (for outdoor use)

It is important that if the children are wearing their tracksuit or shorts for P.E lessons they should be plain black. There should not be any images, designer logos or stripes. Leggings are not part of our P.E uniform, children should wear a tracksuit. Kids Kirkby are now stocking black hoodies and black zip up jackets (with or without the school logo).

Hello Yellow Day

To raise awareness for World Mental Health Day on Thursday 10 October, we will be taking part in **#HelloYellow** Day. We would like to invite the children to come to school wearing something yellow. (If they don't have something yellow then own clothes with suitable shoes are fine.) We aim to make the day as big and bright as possible so that we can show everyone in our school community that they are not alone with their mental health.



Home Reading Challenge

This week, **3N** & **6G** won our Home Reading Challenge! Well done! Please hear your child read as often as you possibly can.



Admission to Reception: September 2025

Apply for a school place. Is your child born on between 01/09/2020 and 31/08/2021? If so, your child is due to start school in September 2025!

You **MUST** apply for a school place online before 15 January 2025. For more information or to make an application, scan our QR code or go to www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool



House Team Competition

This week, the winning team was **ABBEY!** Well done!

1. **ABBEY** (2327 points)
2. **MILL** (2295 points)
3. **ROSE** (2264 points)
4. **VALLEY** (2192 points)



Reminder

Please can I remind all parents about their language around the children when on the school premises. It is really important that we model the language that we would like the children to use and so it is not appropriate at any time for parents to be swearing when on the school site.

National Teacher Day

It is National Teacher Day tomorrow but we have celebrated today! We have fantastic teachers at Aintree Davenhill whose work involves hours far beyond the school day. The teachers work so

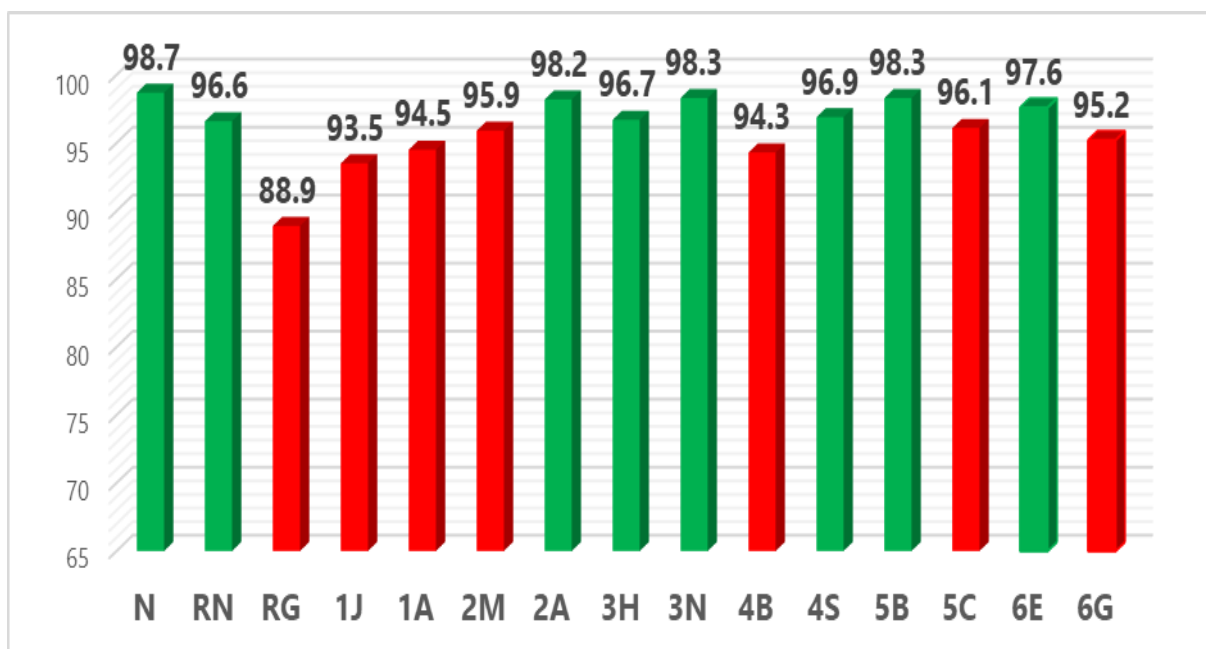


hard to ensure that the children reach their academic potential through ensuring the children are ready to learn, personalising learning, providing support for the children and making learning enjoyable. I hope that they have a lovely weekend!



Aintree Davenhill Primary School Attendance

Average school attendance for 30 Sep 2024 — 04 Oct 2024 was 96.0%. Our school target is 96.5%



Year 6 Secondary Admissions Applications

For all children in Year 6, it is now time for parents and carers to apply for their child's place at secondary school for Year 7 2025 entry. Parents and carers who live in the Sefton area must make the application online using the Citizen Portal (Sefton's online application facility).

The national closing date for secondary school applications is 31 October 2024.

Parents and carers living outside of Sefton will need to apply for a secondary school place for your child via the local authority in which you live.

You should have received a letter via school containing more detailed information.

Sefton Social Care Advice Line for SEND

In recognition that families of children and young people with complex needs and special educational needs often need a bit more support, Sefton has launched a Social Care Advice Line for SEND.

This advice line is staffed by two experienced social workers with a good knowledge of the Local Offer in Sefton. Parents are invited to use this phone number to find out more about what a Social Care assessment for a child entails to help families make an informed decision before approaching Social Care, and to talk about what other help might be available. Voicemails will be responded to within 7 days at which point the social worker will return the call for a discussion.

The telephone number for our Social Care Advice Line for SEND is **0151 934 2196**.

The social workers will not create a referral or record any family details when families ring for advice using this phone number.

Flu Immunisations

We have received some initial information about the NHS Nursery and Primary School Based Flu Immunisations this year (Nursery-Year 6).

The immunisations will take place on Wednesday 9 October 2024.

You have been sent more detailed information and an e-consent form. If you are unable to access this e-consent form, please ask the school office for a paper copy.

Parents are advised to complete the online consent forms even if they don't wish for their child to be vaccinated.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT PARENTS MUST CONTACT THE IMMUNISATION TEAM REGARDING ANY QUERIES. All communication must be to the team and not to school as they hold all the relevant information.

If you change your mind about your child having the flu immunisation having submitted the consent form, you must contact the team directly before Wednesday 9 October.

Team Around the School

Denise Higgins, a qualified social worker, will be in school every Wednesday. If any parents would like to drop in and ask for any help or support, Denise would be more than happy to speak to you. You can also call her on 07816116160.

Harvest Assemblies

Our Harvest assemblies will take place on Friday 18 October. On the day of the assemblies, it would be great if the children could bring in some items of food that we will send to the South Sefton Food Bank. We are aware that they are short of tinned rice pudding, tinned potatoes and bottles of diet cordials.

