



Newsletter

Friday 06th March 2025

A Great Return!

The children have made a flying start to what is a short half-term! Across the school, we are all working extremely hard on our handwriting and presentation. It is vital that the children's writing is not only legible but also reflects their best efforts.

We are also excited to continue our activities as part of the National Year of Reading. It was wonderful to see both children and staff thoroughly enjoying the celebrations for World Book Day. Enthusiasm for reading is so important, and I encourage you to continue this at home by sharing stories together.



Collecting Children from the Office



If you haven't yet completed your password form and returned it to school, we would ask that you do so as soon as possible.



World Book Day



World Book Day was a joyful celebration of Aintree Davenhill's love of reading. Throughout the day, the school was filled with enthusiasm as pupils took part in a range of reading activities, shared stories together, and explored new books and authors. The excitement across classrooms highlighted how much our children value stories, imagination, and the pleasure that reading brings.

We would like to say a huge thank you for your wonderful support in helping the children prepare for World Book Day. The effort that went into organising such creative and imaginative costumes truly made the day extra special, and it was fantastic to see the children arrive so excited to share their favourite characters and stories.

Events like World Book Day help us nurture a lifelong enjoyment of reading, encouraging curiosity, creativity, and confidence. It was wonderful to see the children talking about books, recommending stories to friends, and celebrating the magic that reading offers.





World Book Day Continued...



Important Reminders

Children should have a pair of trainers to wear when playing games outdoors and a pair of pumps for indoor use. A pair of pumps and a pair of shorts should be left in school for children to wear for their gymnastics lessons. Children are able to come into school in their P.E kit of trainers and tracksuit bottoms but they are not able to wear these items when using the gym equipment so need shorts and pumps in school. Pumps cannot be worn outside as this damages the grip needed for gymnastics.

P.E Kit:

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, logos or stripes. Leggings are not part of our P.E uniform, children should wear a tracksuit.

Long Hair

Long hair should be tied back for school. For safety reasons in P.E lessons, it is essential that long hair is tied back.

Make-up and Nail Varnish

Children should not wear any make-up for school and will be given a facial wipe to remove it if they do. Nail varnish shouldn't be worn for school and children are not allowed to come to school wearing acrylic or artificial nails.

Earrings

Children should wear small stud earrings. Again for safety reasons, we ask that earrings are not worn on days that the children have P.E lessons (this includes swimming sessions). If children forget, they will be asked to remove the earrings. If they are unable to remove the earrings independently, then unfortunately they will not be able to take part in the P.E lesson.

School Shoes

School shoes should be black sensible shoes or black trainers.

House Team Competition

This week, the winning team was MILL ! Well done!



1. MILL (2340 points)
2. ABBEY (2246 points)
3. ROSE (2124 points)
4. VALLEY (2061 points)



RN Class Assembly

RN's assembly was a brilliant start to our World Book Day celebrations! The children looked absolutely fantastic in their costumes, and it was lovely to see them speak so confidently and clearly when they spoke to the audience.

They shared two wonderful books they have been reading, 'The Something' by Rebecca Cobb and 'Juniper Jupiter' by Lizzy Stewart, and they brought these stories to life through songs. It was fantastic for us all to enjoy the assembly, and we couldn't be prouder of the children for their hard work and enthusiasm.

A special thank you to Mrs Clare, Miss Parker, and Mrs Leicester for their invaluable support in helping the children prepare. Thank you to RN's parents and grandparents for being such an encouraging audience!

Eton Drive Gate Closure from 13.04.26

We wanted to take a moment to inform you about an important change that will take effect after the Easter holidays. To enhance our site security, we will be closing the gate on Eton Drive.

Our caretakers open the gates earlier than we would prefer due to school having so many entrance/exit points, ensuring you have access to the school site in good time. By closing one of the gates, we aim to reduce the duration that the gates remain open, ultimately making our school environment safer for everyone.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we implement this measure. Thank you.



Year 6 Girls' Football Tournament



Before half term. The girls maintained a perfect record by winning all eight of their matches. The team's attacking coordination was impressive, scoring a remarkable tally of over 25 goals. Perhaps even more amazing was their defensive skill; conceding only three goals throughout the entire competition. The girls' showed wonderful teamwork and skill and were excellent representatives for Aintree Davenhill. Well done!



Home-School Partnership

We know how important it is to work closely with you as parents as we know how much of a difference it can make to the children's educational outcomes.

We value you sharing any information about your child that will help us to support them in school - we want them to feel happy and safe. We are also happy to discuss any concerns that you have about any of our procedures or our approach.

We would ask that you do come and speak to us in these instances as a face to face conversation or a phone call provides the opportunity for us to ask questions in order to find out further information that might be needed. ClassDojo messages are great for sending quick messages but not for matters that need far more information.

We understand that you will be concerned if your child comes home from school upset - this is something we would not want to happen, and we will make every effort to investigate your concerns and try to resolve them as quickly as possible.

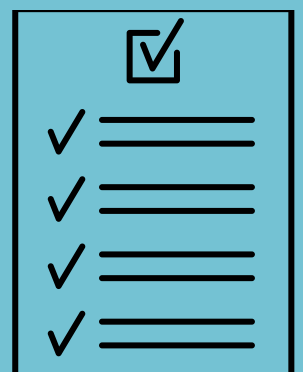
We ask that you speak respectfully to the member of staff at school who is trying to help you without shouting at them.

MADCOS (Maghull and District Cluster of Primary and High Schools) Code of Conduct
MADCOS has created a Code of Conduct that we are asking all parents of children attending MADCOS schools to support and adhere to. Please take the time to familiarize yourself with it.

Let's work together for the good of our children!

Amazing Attendance

Well done to class RG and class 1J whose attendance has been excellent over the last two weeks!





Cross Country

We had a great turn out for the Cross Country event on Wednesday at Litherland Sports Park. Our teams performed brilliantly and should be so proud of themselves.



We had a scoring team in each race including the winner of the Year 6 girls' race and the winner of the Year 4 girls' race. We also had a Year 4 boy, pipped on the finish line, for 3rd place. Let's see if he can push again and get a podium position.

Well done to everybody who took part, and thanks parents and carers for taking your children.



Snack and Packed Lunch Reminders

As part of our ongoing commitment to being a 'healthy school', we would just like to remind you that at break times, the following snacks are permitted:

- Fruit
- Veg
- Cereal bars
- Crackers, rice cakes etc.
- Yoghurt (e.g. frubes etc.)

We ask that you avoid giving your child crisps, pastries, chocolate covered items, etc. during break times.

Packed lunches should also not contain any sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks. Such snacks can have a detrimental effect on children's focus throughout the day. We suggest a biscuit/small cake as a treat in packed lunches. We are a 'nut aware' school and so would ask that children do not bring to school any food that contains nuts as children within our school can have a severe allergic reaction even to indirect contact with nuts.

As part of our weekly PSHE lessons, we work hard on teaching the children about good nutrition and a healthy, balanced diet. We ensure the children are aware that such treats are fine on occasion, however, staff have become increasingly concerned by the amount of less healthy snacks that are being consumed on a daily basis on the playground and in the lunchroom.

We appreciate your ongoing support. If you have any queries or concerns, please speak directly with your class teacher.

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.

All referrals for social care assessment or concerns about a child should continue to be referred through our Integrated Front Door. Please note, this number is not the contact number for the duty social worker in our Children with Complex Needs service and should not be used for this purpose.