



# Newsletter

*Friday 08th May 2026*

## Year 6 SATs

Year 6 SATs take place between Monday 11 and Thursday 14 May 2026. We are very proud of our Year 6 children, who have worked hard throughout this important year and are well prepared for high school. They have achieved so much more than SATs can assess, both inside and outside school, and we are proud of all they have accomplished.

Thank you to all the adults who have supported them and provided so many excellent learning experiences. We are fortunate to have such fantastic staff at Aintree Davenhill. Please be aware that the SLT will be involved in administering SATs next week and will not be available to speak to parents at the start of the school day.

## Calendar of School Dates

SATs Week: 11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026

SAMMY Bags Collection Date: 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026

Half Term: 25<sup>th</sup> May - 01<sup>st</sup> June 2026

SAMMY Bags Collection Date: 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026

## RG Class Assembly

RG's assembly was the first assembly we have been able to hold in a while, and what a wonderful assembly to return to! It was amazing. The children spoke brilliantly and showed just how much they love reading, especially the book *The Hungry Caterpillar*. They also demonstrated their Science knowledge through their reading and their understanding of the life cycle of a butterfly. Well done to Ivy and Madison, who led the class song at the end of the assembly — they were brilliant. A big thank you to Mrs Cockbain and Mrs Dodd for all their hard work with the class in helping them prepare.

## Amazing Attendance

Well done to class 1J and class 4N whose attendance has been excellent over the last two weeks!





# Scholastic Book Fair



It has been wonderful to see so many visit our Book Fair. Once again, the event has been a resounding success and this is thanks to your support! It has been great to see so many of our children excited to come along to select a book (or two!) to take home and read. There has been a real buzz across school with many of the children talking about the book titles and authors they were hoping to see at the Book Fair.

The funds raised from the Book Fair will significantly benefit our school, enabling us to enhance educational resources across school. Your contributions will make a real and lasting difference in the learning of our children, and we are immensely grateful for your support.

This has now become a regular event at Aintree Davenhill because it supports us in continuing to expand our selection of books in school and more importantly, so that we can continue to foster a love of books and reading with all of our children across school.

Don't forget that you can still raise funds for school every time you buy a book from Scholastic and name our school so that we receive the rewards to spend on books. Use the QR to find out more about how it works.

Click here to visit Scholastic's Online Book Shop

<https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/>



## Request from Reception

We're on a mission to stock up our Reception classrooms with wonderful resources, and we need your help! 📺 If you're having a clear out at home, we'd love to give your gently used items a second life in our classrooms.

We're hunting for all sorts of treasures: craft supplies like collage materials, stickers, and ribbons ✂️, role play goodies for our home corner such as tea sets, play food, and toy cleaning supplies 🏠, small figures and animals 🦁, dolls' house furniture, storage baskets, children's books 📖, building blocks like Lego and Duplo, toy garages and cars, play mats, cushions, and kitchen items like pots and pans 🔍.

If you have any of these items gathering dust, we'd be absolutely thrilled to welcome them into our classrooms! Please pass donations directly to us or leave them at the office. And if you know other families who might be able to help, we'd be so grateful if you could spread the word. 💙

Thank you for thinking of us!

Mrs Clare and Mrs Cockbain

## 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.



# Football



Last Thursday afternoon, our girls football team took part in five league games at Holy Rosary.

The team won four games with scores of 5-0, 2-0, 4-0 and 6-0.

The team narrowly lost their fifth game 2-1 to a talented Holy Rosary side.

The team were as ever an excellent example to our school, often earning praise for their teamwork, fantastic team goals and showing respect at all times.

With a few league games left to play, the team currently have 6 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss.



# 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 fortnight, the winning team was VALLEY! Well done!



1. VALLEY (2759 points)

2. ABBEY (2730 points)

3. MILL (2554points)

4. ROSE (2443 points)



## 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.