

# Newsletter

# 04 December 2023

# www.stnicholasliverpool.co.uk is filled with the latest information about our school. School closes for Christmas break on Friday 22nd December at 1.30pm and we return to school on Tuesday 9th January 2024.

Please see below a list of key dates for up and coming school activities.

**REVISED DATES Please check the dates again as some have changed.** 

Wednesday 6th December - Advent Service in the Cathedral and the Celebration of St Nicholas.

**Tuesday 12th December** - KS2 Carol Concert Y4,Y5 & Y6 to sing at 2.00pm.

**Wednesday 13th December** - Christmas Jumper Day pupils can come to school wearing a Christmas jumper for a donation of £1.00. This will also be own clothes day and Christmas lunch will also be celebrated on this day. **Thursday 14th December** - KS1 to perform their nativity show Y1,Y2 & Y3 at 9.30am.

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**Friday 15th December** - EYFS Nursery & Reception to perform their Christmas play at 9.30am.

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All Parents/Carers welcome. Please note all the above performances are to take place in the school hall.

Wednesday 20th December Christmas Party Day –All children to come to school wearing their own clothes. School News

Y3 have had a fantastic time at the university looking at rocks and fossils.

Y4 enjoyed there trip last week for a sports enrichment and we also had a number of children attend the forest school to plant some trees. We feel very lucky to be working so closely with such a fantastic university and are really excited for the up and coming events.

The children have been working really hard practising for the Christmas shows. Please read the following dates above and make sure you collect your tickets from your child's class teacher so you don't miss out.

## Language of the Month

At St Nicholas we enjoy celebrating the rich cultural diversity we have within our school community including the different languages we speak. Each month we choose a different language to celebrate and learn some key vocabulary from. There are resources for learning basic key phrases for our Language of the Month on website: http://www.newburyparkschool.net/langofmonth/ Our language of the month for December is Makaton. We would welcome any contributions big or small to help us celebrate these languages. Please see your child's teacher or Mrs Baines our EAL coordinator for more details of how to get involved.

## Christmas Dinner for Packed Lunch Children.

We will be celebrating Christmas dinner in school on Wednesday 13th December. If your child normally stays for packed lunch but you wish them to join in the festive lunch please fill out the form which will be sent home with your child. The lunch will be £2.00 and can be paid at the school office.

## **Reception Admissions 2024**

The closing date for online applications is 15th January 2024. Parent/Carers must apply for reception places through the Local Authority by using the online application process. If you require further information please contact Liverpool City Council on 0151 233 3006 or contact the school office. If your child is currently in our school nursery this dose not entitle you to an automatic place in Reception. You must complete the online application form at https://liverpool.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/

#### Attendance and Punctuality

There have been an increasing number of children being collected from school early. Please try to arrange all appointments outside the school day as this can be very disruptive to the pupil's learning. There is an increasing number of children who are arriving late to school. This can be upsetting to the child and can be disruptive to lessons. Please can you ensure that your child is in school before 8.55 a.m.

#### School Lunches and Free School Meals

Reminder – meal patterns are set for the term. If you do require a change, please let the office know to avoid errors on your account. Please note you can not mix packed lunch with hot dinner during the week. The cost of a school meal is £2.00 per day or £10 per week. Any parent who has not received their login details for School Money, please contact the office on: 0151 709 5532. All dinners should be paid for in advance. If any parents' or guardians' circumstances have changed during these uncertain times, please be aware you may now be entitled to free school meals. You can check your eligibility via the link: https://liverpool.gov.uk/benefits/free-school-meals

#### <u>Reminder</u>

If you have changed your mobile number or address you will need to let the office staff know. If your child requires medication please ensure it is brought into the school as soon as possible and a form is filled out in the office.

#### School Term Dates 2023/24

Autumn 2023 Children to return Tuesday 5th September 2023 Friday 1st September - Friday 27th October 2023 <u>Half Term</u> - Monday 30th October - Friday 3rd November 2023 Monday 6th November - Friday 22nd December 2023 <u>Christmas Break</u> - Monday 25th December - Friday 5th January 2024

<u>Spring 2024 – Children to return Tuesday 9th January 2024</u> Monday 8th January - Friday 9th February 2024 <u>Half Term</u> - Monday 12th - Friday 16th February 2024 Monday 19th February – Thursday 28th March 2024 <u>Easter Break</u> - Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April 2024

<u>Summer 2024 – Children Return Monday 15th April 2024</u> Monday 15th April - Friday 24th May 2024 <u>Half Term</u> - Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024 Monday 3rd June – Monday 22nd July 2024

#### INSET DAYS

(In Service Education and Training for staff) These days are inclusive of the required INSET days for staff only to attend. school can set a maximum of 10 INSET days in a school year. School is closed for children on these 7 days. The 7 INSET Days are as follows:

> Friday 1st September 2023 Monday 4th September 2023 Friday 17th November 2023 Monday 8th January 2024 Friday 9th February 2024 Friday 5th July 2024 Monday 22nd July 2024