

School News

 St. Finbar's
Catholic Primary School

Be Covid Safe
Wear a face covering



October 2020

Welcome to our e-newsletter!



In order to avoid as much cross-contamination as possible by sending paper copies home, we will send our newsletters via email. They will also appear on our website.

Not everything can be sent this way – but we will email what we can.

School has now settled into the “new normal” routine for learning, eating and playing.

Children have embraced the necessary “restrictions” and are coping well.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is more important than ever!

As you know, children missed a lot of school during the lockdown period and attendance every day will help them catch up.

We had a slow start but attendance has picked up – thank you everyone – please continue to send your children into school.

Attendance is, of course, a legal requirement.



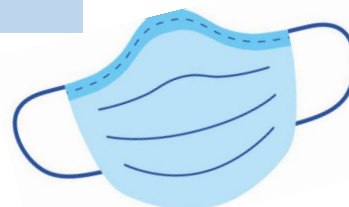
Parents' Evening

The autumn Parents' Evening is usually held in November but face-to-face meetings will not be possible during the Pandemic restrictions.

However, if parents have any concerns and wish to speak to their child's teacher we can offer a 5 minute telephone conversation after school following half term. You will be given the opportunity to make an appointment via our Reception desk nearer the time.

Thank you ...

For following our safety procedures by wearing face coverings and using the one-way gates system for entering and leaving the premises.

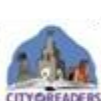


This seems to be working well.

REVISED HOME TIME ARRANGEMENTS

Class	Leaving time	Exit door
Early Years	3:00 p.m.	EYFS door
KS1 Bubble	3:05 p.m.	KS1 door
Year 6	3:15 p.m.	KS1 door
Year 3	3:05 p.m.	KS2 door
Year 4	3:10 p.m.	KS2 door
Year 5	3:15 p.m.	KS2 door

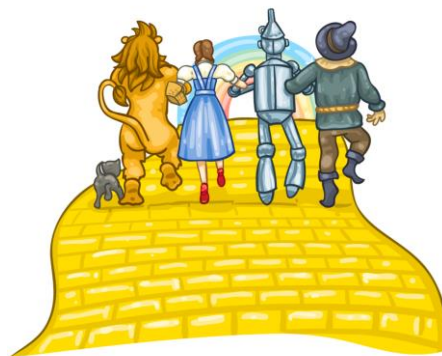
Parents must please leave yard immediately after collecting children



We're off to see the Wizard

Children were treated to a production of The Wizard of Oz on 17 September.

We invited M & M Productions into school once again and children were shown a video of their pre-recorded performance as well as live interaction with a member of the cast. It was an exciting production with some clever tricks! Teacher's thought the production was excellent, interactive and entertaining.



What did the children think?

"It was great" "It was funny" "I loved it" "I liked it when the man got a heart"

PE KITS & COVID-19

We have had to change the routine for our PE lessons. ALL children should **come into school** wearing their PE Kit on their PE lesson days.

- Children should wear their uniform jumper or cardigan **OVER** their PE kit top
- **BLACK** Jogging bottoms or leggings can be worn **OVER** their PE shorts and not instead of

Children will spend the day wearing their uniform jumper/cardigan and jogging bottoms so will not need to bring in their uniform and therefore being Covid safe.

Design a Christmas card competition

Information was sent home last week – why not encourage your child to be creative and have a go? The closing date is 23rd October. Good Luck!



My First Library Card

The extract below is from School Improvement website:

LIVERPOOL parents are being encouraged to help their children's love of reading take flight with a special library card.

- Next week, Liverpool City Council's Libraries and Information Services, in partnership with Edge Hill University, launches the My First Library Card for children aged up to 10 featuring a friendly liver bird design created by the council's marketing team.
- Sponsored by Edge Hill University, the My First Library Cards have been developed as part of Liverpool's Year of Reading, and will be **available from Monday 28 September**.

To sign their little ones up to the library, parents or carers can either:

- Sign up [online](#). My First Library Cards will automatically be sent out to young new joiners. Cards can also be collected.
- Visit a library taking along proof of name and address (utility bill, bank statement).

Please note: not all of Liverpool's libraries have reopened. For up-to-date information please visit www.liverpool.gov.uk/libraryupdates. Central Library is currently open Monday-Friday, 10am-3pm.

The cards will not only let children borrow books from any of Liverpool's 19 libraries, but by using the card's number along with a PIN young borrowers can also borrow any of the thousands of titles from Read Liverpool - www.readliverpool.co.uk - the city's digital library.

Digital books can be accessed using many types of devices including iPads and some types of Kindle.

You can follow what's happening in the Year of Reading by visiting the project's [website](#), join its Facebook page - www.facebook.com/2020LiverpoolYearofReading/ - or search #LiverpoolReads on social media.

DIARY DATES



OCTOBER		
Day	Date	Details
Monday	5 th	Swimming programme begins
Monday	12 th	Reception Bikeability
Monday	19 th	Reception Bikeability
Tuesday	20 th	Photographer in school – details will be sent home nearer the time
Friday	23 rd	Whole-school flu vaccinations



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Riddles:

Q. What two keys can't open any door?



A. A monkey and a donkey.

Q. What is red and smells like blue paint?

A. Red paint.

