



Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe that we are here at the end of another half term. This one seemed to zoom by! We have all packed such a lot in! And now it's time for a well-earned **TWO WEEK** break.

### **Prescot Primary 'Family' news.**

It is not often that we have to share news about staff moving on to pastures new but we find ourselves getting ready to say goodbye to some valued members of our team.

Mrs Doyle from Y4DW is leaving us with only four weeks to go until the birth of her second child. We wish her and her family well and can't wait to hear her news!

Miss Parsons, our Nursery Teacher has secured a new job after completing her first year in teaching with us. We know that she will be missed by our little learners and their parents. Thank you for all of your hard work and good luck in your new school.

Miss Bellis, our Office Apprentice will leave us today after working with our Business & Admin Team since October. We'd like to thank her for quickly becoming a member of the PCP Team and wish her luck in her next venture.

Congratulations also go to Miss Tune who currently works in Reception. She is getting married over the holidays!

And finally, please read the accompanying letter about the departure of Mrs Loftus, our Assistant Headteacher and SENDCo.

### **Safeguarding Update.**

At the very end of the last half term, we took an in-depth look into 'Safeguarding' at our school, supported by a Safeguarding Auditor. He observed many strengths in our systems, policies and practices as he walked around the school and our grounds. He was especially surprised by the confidence our pupils have when discussing safeguarding in its many forms. They showed great awareness of personal safety around school, online and when out of school. They are also aware of the importance of wellbeing and looking after each other's happiness. Our new PSHE curriculum in school aims to educate all of our pupils on how to safeguard their HEALTH, HEART, MIND. We are looking forward to developing this provision further from September.

Our visiting Auditor left us with a final comment:

***"This is a safe and happy school where children flourish."***

Our recent Safeguarding competition asked children to design a new logo for safeguarding incorporating the 'Three Little Birds' that feature in our theme tune. We received over 50 entries but are pleased to announce our winners, **Finley Leary, Lola Clegg, Louise Ball and Millie Riley** who designed some simple, colourful logos which can be easily turned into digital designs.

It has been lovely to welcome new children who will start Nursery and Reception in Sept. Our Reception classes are now full but we still have a few spaces in Nursery.

### **Library News!**

We are pushing on with plans for a new library space in school, as was suggested when we achieved our Gold Reading Quality Mark. Please look out for fundraising projects that each class will be organising in the final half term. Our aim is raise enough money for new library furniture and books to make it a space in which all of our children can take pleasure inside a book. Thank you in advance.

Congratulations to our Y1 Football Team who competed in the Everton Festival at Goodison Park. Their skill and team spirit secured a win in the final! A super effort – well done!



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## **Upcoming Election**

No – not that one!

In order to promote the concept of democracy and help the children understand the voting system in our country, we are holding our own election. This election will allow the children to choose a main curriculum area for an upcoming project day. Our School Councillors are preparing campaign materials and manifestos for six subject areas:

- Languages
- Science & Technology
- Ecology
- Art & Design
- Different cultures
- People & Places (History & Geography)

We want our pupils to really listen to the manifestos and make their vote count. Here is a great link if you want to explore the concept of 'democracy' further with your child:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/30880972>

## **SATs**

Well done to all of our Y2 and Y6 children who have remained focused and calm during the annual 'formal' testing period. We strive to prioritise the wellbeing of our pupils in times of potential stress and we have received feedback to thank us for looking after the children so well. Although we want our children to work hard, we recognise that each child is so much more than a number. All children have earned a good rest – but there's still lots to do when we return!

## **'World of Work Week'**

The first week in July will see a whole school project take place based around the world of work. Throughout the week, all children will look at jobs in the local community and beyond. Older children will explore how to write a CV, qualifications and professional responsibilities. We have planned a 'Careers Showcase' on Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> July and already have volunteers signed up to #shoutabouttheirjobs. If you would like to talk to our children about your job or know someone who would, please ring 0151 432 7100 and I will be in touch.

## **Responding to recent events**

The events of this week have been hard for us all to understand but perhaps more so for our children, who may be feeling anxious and confused by what they have heard and seen. Children's reactions can vary a great deal. We will provide support in school for those pupils who remain troubled, please contact our Inclusion Team if you have continuing concerns about your child. Alternatively, this website may provide some useful guidance:

<https://www.winstonswish.org.uk/responding-children-young-people-affected-media-coverage-incident-manchester/>

Please see the attached calendar dates for the last half term of the year. It is always a half term full of key dates for many of our children, especially those Y6 children who are getting ready to move on to Y7. We would like to ask parents to provide children with sunhats and apply suncream as the weather heats up and ask that children continue to wear shoes – not sandals or trainers. Thank you.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope that you all have a lovely spring break.

Kind regards,

Mrs Seddon



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## CALENDAR DATES FOR 2017

Date	Year group	Event
MON 12.06.17	ALL	<b>RETURN TO SCHOOL AFTER TWO WEEKS OFF.</b>
WB 12.06.17	Y1	Phonics check assessments.
Wed 14.06.17	New parents	EYFS Open Evening for children and parents looking to choose a school. 4pm – 5pm
Wed 21.06.17	New Reception	New Reception children. Stay & Play at 3.30pm.
Thurs 22.06.17	Selected	Children's University Graduation at Liverpool Hope University
Fri 23.06.17	Y6	SRE Pupil workshops.
<b>Mon 26.06.17 To Fri 30.06.17</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>National School Sports Week. Come to school in sports kit all week.</b> <b>SPORTS DAYS:</b> <b>Tues 27.06.17 – morning – 2s/N am/R (EYFS)</b> <b>- afternoon – 2s/N pm/R (EYFS)</b> <b>Wed 28.06.17 - afternoon – Y1 and Y2</b> <b>Thurs 29.06.17 – morning – Y3 and Y4</b> <b>- afternoon – Y5 and Y6</b> <b>Thurs 29.06.17 – 'Sports Showcase' after school on the back yard &amp; field.</b> <b>Fri 30.06.17 – 'Race at our place'. Cancer Awareness. All children. Wear pink/Cancer Research accessories if you wish.</b>
Mon 03.07.17 To Fri 07.07.17	ALL	'The World of work' Whole school project in school. <b>Thurs 06.07.17: Careers Showcase, 3pm.</b> Parents welcome after school.
Tues 04.07.17	Digital Leaders	Knowsley Digital Leaders' Conference at The Prescot School. All day.
Fri 07.07.17	Y6	Pupil Conference: Time for change. In school. Non-uniform, smart dress. Buffet lunch provided.
Tues 11.07.17	Y5	Parents' PGL Information Meeting. 3.15pm
Wed 12.07.17	Y6	Leavers' Festival Part 1: It's a knockout! (Wet play & games in school)
Fri 14.07.17	N	Nursery breaks for summer.
Mon 17.07.17	Y6	<b>NEW DATE:</b> Leavers' Festival Part 2: A grand day out – Southport Trip
Tues 18.07.17	N	Nursery Graduation at 10.30am. Details will follow.
Wed 19.07.17	Y3	Trip to Martin Mere.
Wed 19.07.17	Y6 & Parents	Leavers' Festival Part 3: Performance & Picnic (evening).
Fri 21.07.17	R to Y6	Break up at <b>1.30pm.</b> <b>PLEASE NOTE: early finish time ONLY at the end of the summer term.</b>



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