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11.1.24

Dear Parents and Carers,



Happy New Year! It was lovely to welcome the children back to school on Monday. If you have any friends / family who have children who are due to start in Ladybirds in September 2024 please remind them that the closing date for applications is **Monday 15th January**.

Sacramental Preparation

The children in Year 3 will be taking the next steps in their 'Sacramental Journey' over the next few months. All children who will be making their First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion are invited to attend the Enrolment Mass on Sunday 28th January. All children who will be making their First Holy Communion in **Holy Family** should attend the **9:30am Mass in Holy Family** and those who will be making their First Holy Communion in **Our Lady and St John** should attend the **11:00am Mass in Our Lady and St John**. During the Mass the children will be enrolled onto the Sacramental Preparation Programme and will receive their medals. Please note that all children **must** be baptised before they receive the sacraments of First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion.

All children will receive the Sacrament of First Forgiveness at 6:00pm on Thursday 21st March at **Our Lady and St John's**.

The children will make their First Holy Communion on Saturday 15th June at the following times:

9:30am Holy Family
11:30am Our Lady and St John

There will be a Celebration Mass for all children on Saturday 22nd June at 10:00am in Holy Family. This will be followed by a party in school.

To prepare the children to receive the sacraments they will take part in weekly lessons in school using the 'I Belong' book. The books cost £7.99 and can be paid for via ParentPay.

If you would like your child to take part in the Sacramental preparation programme please complete the following Google form [Sacramental Preparation](#). The form must be completed by **FRIDAY 26th JANUARY**.

If you have any questions regarding First Sacraments please speak to me at the gate or contact me on headteacher@ladymount.wirral.sch.uk . Thank you.



Forest School

Next week, the week commencing 15.1.24, Years 2, 4 and 6 will be starting their Forest School Journey. The days for the different year groups during this half term are:

Year 6 - Monday

Year 4 - Wednesday

Year 2 - Friday

As we will be out in all weather, please send your child to school with appropriate clothing for the wet and cold weather they may encounter. Your child may also get muddy during the activities of the sessions. Clothing might include:

- PE Kit,
- Warm layers that can be put on outside,
- Waterproof coat,
- Hats, scarf, gloves,
- Wellington or walking boots (in a bag, as they will have to wear normal PE shoes in school).

If you have any further questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

Many thanks,

Mrs Ball, Miss McConville and Mr Moore



Wake up Wednesday



The theme of 'Wake Up Wednesday' this week is 'Free Speech vs Hate Speech'.

Ten Ten Resources – January Newsletter



Please follow the link below to read the Ten Ten Resources January newsletter.

<http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Ladymount Choir

Choir will begin on Thursday 25th January and new members (on the waiting list) will be contacted in due course to confirm their spaces.



Enrichment Activities w/b 15.1.24

	Before School	Lunch Time	After School
Monday	Fencing		Story Explorers (Ladybirds and Yr1) Dance (Yr 1-4) Gaelic Football (Yr 5-6) Pilates – Parents / Friends
Tuesday		Tag Rugby (Yr 5 -6)	Chess Basketball (KS2)
Wednesday			Mandarin (Yr 2 – 6)
Thursday	Lacrosse (KS2)	Mini Vinnies	
Friday	Gymnastics (Yr 1, 2 and 3)		Football (Yr 5 – 6)

Attendance – Every Day Counts

It is a well-known fact that good attendance and punctuality at school give children the very best chance of success at school. Whilst we acknowledge that children are unwell and unable to attend school from time to time as a school we promote the belief that ‘Every Day Counts’



Attendance – Autumn Term

Class	% Attendance
Ladybirds	95.4%
Year 1	95.8%
Year 2	94.4%
Year 3 MP	94.3%
Year 3 SS	96.8%
Year 4	97.3%
Year 5	95.9%
Year 6	94.1%
Whole School Attendance	95.5%

School Matters!



Lunches Week Beginning 15th January

CAN ALL PARENTS PLEASE CHECK THAT THEIR CHILD'S DINNER MONEY IS UP TO DATE ON PARENT PAY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Meatballs Meatballs Fresh pork meatballs or Quorn baked in the oven and served with a homemade tomato sauce and pasta</p> 	<p>Katsu Curry Choose from breaded pieces of chicken or Quorn nuggets baked in the oven and served on a bed of basmati rice with a homemade curry sauce and vegetables.</p> 	<p>Homemade Pizza Choose from cheese & tomato or pepperoni served with sweetcorn and potato wedges.</p> 	<p>Roast Dinner Choose from either home roast of the day or a Quorn fillet served with Yorkshire pudding, roast potatoes, vegetables, and gravy.</p> 	<p>Fish & Chips Choose from either Battered Cod fillet, Cod fillet fish fingers, or Salmon fish cakes oven baked and served with chips and peas or fruity curry sauce</p> 
<p><i>Jacket Potatoes and Paninis cheese or cheese & ham are also available daily as a hot alternative.</i></p>				
<p><i>Or</i></p>				
<p>Delish Bar - Available Everyday Design your own sandwich, first choose your bread - wraps, assorted batch or sliced bread, then choose your filling a selection of the following will be available daily - ham, cheese, tuna, Chinese chicken, turkey, roast beef, egg and finally finish with a choice of salad - carrot sticks, cucumber, cherry tomatoes, iceberg lettuce, sweetcorn, coleslaw, beetroot and peppers.</p>				
<p>Dessert Fresh Fruit, Fruit Pots, Yoghurts and Cheese and Crackers are available daily along with the dessert of the day</p>				
<p>Drink A selection of fresh fruit juice and fresh milkshakes, milk and water will be available daily</p>				

Year 3 S/S Class Assembly – Important Update

Year 3SS assembly will now take place at 9.30am on Friday 19th January. Mrs Swindlehurst will not be in school on the original assembly date planned as she will be attending a family member's funeral in Nottingham who passed away over the Christmas period.

Mandarin Club

Mandarin club will start again after school on Wednesday 17th January the sessions will finish at 4:10pm. Children can be booked onto the club via the Schoolgateway app.

Gaelic Football Club

Gaelic football club for children in years 5 and 6 will start after school on Monday 15th January. The sessions will finish at 4:15pm and all children **must be collected by an adult / be booked into wrap around**. Children can be booked onto the club via the Schoolgateway app.

Basketball Club

Basket club for children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will start after school on Tuesday 16th January. The sessions will finish at 4:15pm and all children **must be collected by an adult / be booked into wrap around**. Children can be booked onto the club via the Schoolgateway app.

Lacrosse Club

Lacrosse club for children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will start before school on Thursday 18th January. The club starts at 8:00am. Children should come into school in their PE kit. Children can be booked onto the club via the Schoolgateway app.

Gymnastics Club

Lacrosse club for children in years 1, 2 and 3 will start before school on Friday 19th January. The club starts at 8:00am. Children should come into school in their PE kit. Children can be booked onto the club via the Schoolgateway app.

Year 5 Swimming

Swimming lessons for the children in Year 6 will be taking place the week beginning Monday 22nd January. It is compulsory for all pupils to attend regardless of their swimming ability as it forms part of their P.E. curriculum. The lessons will take place at West Kirby Concourse every afternoon for an hour lesson. The children will leave by bus after lunch and return to the school before the end of the day. Children should wear their PE kits to school each day during the week that they are swimming.

The cost of transport and swimming lessons are provided by the school, however we do ask that you make sure your child wears the correct swimwear, without it they may be refused entry into the pool.

Every child will need to bring the following:

- Girls - A one piece swimsuit (not bikinis)
- Boys – Swimming trunks (not swimming shorts)
- Towel
- Still soft drink
- Inhalers should be handed to class teacher, if required
- Swimming goggles are optional
- Verruca socks if necessary
- Swimming caps are compulsory for girls and boys with long hair.

Kits will need to be brought home daily and returned dry for the next day's session.



Chinese New Year Workshop

Next Wednesday, 17th January, we will be welcoming members of the Confucius Institute at Edge Hill University to run Chinese New Year workshops throughout the school. They would like to take photographs of the activities that the children are taking part to use in their promotional materials. Can all parents complete the attached Google form to give consent for their child's photograph to be taken and used in this way, thank you. [Confucius Institute - photograph permissions](#)



Have a lovely weekend,
N. J. Turner
(Headteacher)

Diary Dates

January	
17.1.24	Chinese New Year Workshops (Confucius Institute)
19.1.24	Year 3 S/S Class Assembly (9:30am)
19.1.24	Pantomime – A Christmas Carol
Week Beginning 22/1	Year 5 Swimming
28.1.24	First Holy Communion Enrolment 9:30am Holy Family 11:00am Our Lady and St John
February	
1.2.24	Year 3 MP Assembly
2.2.24	NSPCC Number Day (Non-Uniform)
7.2.24	Open Afternoon / Book Look
12.2.24	PTIs
14.2.24	Ash Wednesday Service (2:30pm)
14.2.24	PTIs
16.2.24	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
26.2.24	Drama 4 All Workshops
29.2.24	Year 2 Class Assembly
March	
1.3.24	Non-Uniform Day
7.3.24	World Book Day
14.3.24	Year 1 Class Assembly
25.3.24	Cross Country at Birkenhead Park