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25.1.24

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had a good week.

We would like to say a big thank you to our wonderful PTA who paid for the pantomime to visit Ladymount last Friday! The children thorroughtly enjoyed the performance of 'A Christmas Carol'.

Pantomime!!







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 <u>Sacramental Preparation</u>. The form must be completed by **FRIDAY 26**th **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.



Wake up Wednesday



The theme of 'Wake Up Wednesday' this week is 'MyLOL'

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/

NSPCC Number Day

NSPCC Number Day is on Friday 2nd February. It is a non-uniform day (children are welcome to wear number themed outfits if they choose to) and all money will go to the NSPCC. Children will spend the day completing a range of exciting maths activities.



Open Afternoon / Book Look

We will be having our termly Open Afternoon / Book Look on Wednesday 7th February between 3:25pm and 4:30pm. This is an opportunity for you to look at your child's books with them. You will have an opportunity to discuss your child's work and progress with your child's class teacher at the PTI's on 12th and 14th February. Bookings for PTIs will open next Thursday (1st February).

Bag2School

We are pleased to announce that Ladymount has organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for our Plas Caerdeon fundraiser.

Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 1999 it has now paid out over £48 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for our Caerdeon fundraiser, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to https://bag2school.com for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from Ladymount on 6th March 2024 (we have been informed that the date needs to be changed). Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the gazebo and help us have a really good collection. Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.



	Before School	Lunch Time	After School
Monday	Fencing	School Council	Story Explorers (Ladybirds) Dance (Yr. 1-4) Gaelic Football (Yr. 5-6)
Tuesday		Tag Rugby (Yr. 5 -6)	Chess
Wednesday			Mandarin (Yr. 2 – 6)
Thursday	Lacrosse (KS2)	Mini Vinnies	Choir
Friday	Gymnastics (Yr. 1, 2 ar 3)	nd	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	94.2%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	97.9%
Year 3 MP	96.3%
Year 3 SS	90.5%
Year 4	94.7%
Year 5	97.5%
Year 6	90%
Whole School Attendance	94%
Whole School Attendance (to date)	95.6%

School Matters!



Lunches Week Beginning 29th January

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



Nuts

Can I remind parents and carers that we are a nut free school. Please do not send any nut based products, including peanut butter and Nutella, into school in your child's lunch boxes. We have a number of children in school who have nut allergies and this is to keep everybody safe.



Year 4 PSHE

Over the coming weeks, Year 4 will be working to explore important aspects of their social and emotional wellbeing.

These statutory lessons include:

- *Making judgements on acceptable and unacceptable physical contact.
- *How to respond to the above.
- *Recognising abuse, and the different types to be aware of (physical and emotional for example).
- *Identifying trusted people that can help us.
- *Learn the biological names for male and female anatomy and will begin to discuss the changes that will happen during puberty.

Football Shirts for Sierra Leone

One of our past pupils, Hugh who is a pupil at St Anselm's College, is going to Seirra Leone over February half term to volunteer at a school for children who have hearing impairments. The boys would like to take football shirts to give out to the the children in the school. If you have any old football shirst that your children no longer wear please send them into school by Wednesday 7th February so that Hugh can take them with him, thank you.



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

Diary Dates

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January		
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	
15.2.24	PTA Disco (Non uniform day)	
	Ladybirds, Yr. 1, Yr. 2 and Yr3 3:25pm – 4:15pm	
	Yr. 4, Yr. 5 and Yr. 6 – 4:30pm – 5:30pm	
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	
6.3.24	Year 5 / 6 Trip to Liverpool Philharmonic	
7.3.24	World Book Day	
14.3.24	Year 1 Class Assembly	
22.3.24	PTA Music Quiz	
25.3.24	Cross Country at Birkenhead Park	