

## November

**Mon 18<sup>th</sup>** – Deadline for Pupil Christmas card orders

**Tue 19<sup>th</sup>** – **DEADLINE FOR FLU**

**VACCINATION ONLINE CONSENT**

**Thur 21<sup>st</sup>** – Flu vaccinations, Nursery through to Y6

**Fri 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Own clothes day for a bottle contribution

(see page 2 for details)

## December

**Tue 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Y3 & 4 to Museum of Liverpool for a Stone Age workshop

**Tue 10<sup>th</sup>** – 8:30-9:30am: Early Help Navigator drop-in

**Wed 11<sup>th</sup>** – PTA Christmas discos after school

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup>** – 1:30pm: Dress rehearsal for Y1/2 Christmas production (families with little ones to attend)

**Tue 17<sup>th</sup>** –

9:15am: Butterfly & Reception Christmas Production

10am: Y1 & 2 Christmas Production

1pm: Butterfly & Reception Christmas Production

2pm: Y1 & 2 Christmas Production

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Jumper (non-uniform day) for £1 charity contribution & Christmas Dinner / Christmas Class Party Day

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup>** – 9am & 2:30pm: KS2 Carol Concert

Finish for Christmas Holidays

### **Residentials 24 – 25**

Year 4 to London Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Year 2 to Tattenhall Tue 1<sup>st</sup> – Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

## BRING A BOTTLE / DRESS DOWN DAY

Next Friday is our first Dress Down (own clothes) day of this academic year! The PTA have decided to request a donation of a bottle for this event. This could be a bottle of ANYTHING! These bottles will produce a bottle tombola game which parents can choose to join in with when you come to see the children's Christmas productions.

We have recently updated the display in the hall so that you can see what wonderful opportunities the money from the PTA has gone towards just this term alone!

Thank you for your continued support.

## CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS

Recently, all children brought back their Christmas card designs and info on how to order cards, or a range of items from the website. We have extended the deadline for parents to order until Monday 18<sup>th</sup> at Middy. If you do wish to purchase something, please do it before the deadline and don't miss out!

## ASK ME ABOUT...

Education is most effective when schools and parents work in partnership and parents are aware of what their children are learning about and doing in school. So, this week, please ask:

*Caterpillars: painting with water*

*Butterflies: what hedgehogs do when it gets cold*

*Reception: The Enormous Turnip*

*I/M: where I live*

*I/2T: the 4 countries in the UK*

*2U: inverse operations*

*3S: how to order numbers*

*3/4T: Stone Age houses*

*4I: Stone Age houses*

*5McC: Anthony Walker*

*5/6S: our visit to Liverpool*

*6T: biomes of the world*

## PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

This week has seen Y5&6 travelling via train to Liverpool to experience the wonderful Maritime Museum. Y6 have also been on their annual 'Crucial Crew' event, supporting their understanding of safety in the community as they prepare for the next phase of their education and life at High School. Ket Stage 1 have had an exciting visit from the 'Owl Man', linked to their class novel, The Owl Who Was Afraid of The Dark. They were utterly enthralled by this!



22nd November

Bring a Bottle



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Own Clothes Day

Pupils can wear their own clothes for a donation of a bottle, which will become part of our Christmas PTA fundraising event. Thank you!

**FREE ENTRY**

Passion for Learning

# CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENT

27TH NOVEMBER | 6-9PM  
AT THE HOLIDAY INN, ELLESMERE PORT, CH65 2AL

AN EVENT FOR ALL THE FAMILY.  
WE HAVE A FESTIVE CHOIR, A FANTASTIC RAFFLE,  
EVERYONE'S A WINNER TOMBOLA, REFRESHMENTS,  
CHRISTMAS STALLS AND....  
**SANTA'S GROTTTO!!!**

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**Available in Levels 1, 2 & 3**

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**6 Week Course Mon - Fri**

**Daily sessions**  
1st session 9:30 - 11:30am  
2nd session 12:30 - 2pm

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Level 2:	CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Safeguarding & Prevent CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Challenging Behaviours
Level 3:	Level 3 Certificate in the Principles of Special Educational Needs

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\*Please take note of the online live webinar sessions that **MUST** be attended to complete this full time 6 week course, and the ESFA's (Education Skills Funding Agency) eligibility criteria.

## 9 ways to tell if your child is physically literate

Here's how to assess if your child is developing physical literacy. If you answer yes to most of these questions, your child is likely making good progress. If you answer no, they might need some attention in that area.



1. Forward roll

Can your child do a basic forward roll on the floor?



2. Flat-footed squat

Can your child do a flat-footed squat and then stand up again?



3. Swim

Can your child swim? Are they comfortable in water?



4. Throw a ball

The ability to throw a ball is a good general indicator of physical coordination.



5. Strikes an object

Can your child hit a ball with a bat? A puck with a hockey stick? A badminton bird with a racquet?



6. Land from jumping

When your child jumps, do they land with their knees aligned squarely above their feet and flex smoothly into a squat?



7. One-leg balance test

Ask your child to stand on one foot for 30 seconds without losing balance.



8. Confidence to try sports

Kids who have a reasonable degree of physical literacy feel confident trying a sport or physical activity that's new to them.



9. Describe a movement skill or activity

Being able to describe movement reflects understanding of those same movements.