



WEEKLY BULLETIN

3rd November 2021



WEEKLY FRUIT DELIVERY

As part of our healthy eating programme and to encourage healthier snacking we are offering all pupils free fruit in class.



Healthy School

COVID UPDATE

We know that there are many coughs and colds about at the minute, so please be extra vigilant. The latest figures show that rates of infection on the Wirral are still high but have gone down since last week.

In order to keep the school and local community safe, we are encouraging all our staff and pupils to continue to do the Lateral Flow test at home. If you require LFT please let your teachers know as we can supply you with some.

If your child has a temperature, a sore throat or stomach upset please do not allow them to attend school until they have had a negative PCR test.

Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms or a positive test result should stay at home and self-isolate immediately.

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, you should arrange to have a PCR test as soon as possible. This still applies even if you have received one or more doses of COVID-19 vaccine.

Stay Safe & Healthy

ATTENDANCE

We had a great start to the new term with 24 students achieving 100%. Well done to those pupils



Year groups
attendance
percentage.

Year 5 & 6 - 94%
Year 7 - 76%
Year 8 - 79%
Year 9 - 65%
Year 10 - 52%
Year 11 - 54%

Top 5 Form groups
attendance
percentage.

Daley - 97%
Curie - 91%
Parks - 87.5%
Darwin - 77.5%
Woodman - 76.7%

100% ATTENDANCE

No one quite made the 100% attendance this week
But some came very close

Well done to Daley & the year 5 & 6 Pupils

If your child is going to be absent please notify the school on the day by 9am.



ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Please can we ask if your child is off school that you leave a message on the Absence Voicemail on 0151 652 7093 as soon as possible to let us know the reason for absence.

You can also advise via our Parentapp with just a few clicks.

100% Perfection

98% Impressive

Equates to 4 school days off each year.

97% Good

Equates to 7 school days off each year.

95% Nearly there

Equates to 9 school days off each year.

94% Coasting

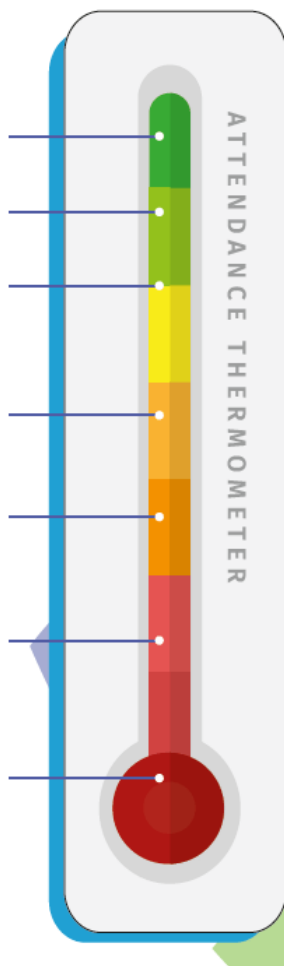
Needs to improve
Equates to 11 school days off each year.

90% Danger Zone

Equates to 1 month off each year.

80% Danger Zone

Equates to 2 months off each year.



- When your child is unwell please notify the school as soon as possible on the same day that your child will not be at school.
- If your child has not been marked for morning registration, the school will contact parents/carers by call/text by 10am. If you do receive a message or text it would be appreciated if you could reply by text or by phone as soon as possible.
- If the illness lasts longer than two days please keep the school informed as to what is happening and we can, if appropriate provide work or suggest ways that your child can learn whilst they are not at school.
- Please note that if the authenticity of an illness is in doubt the school can request parents to provide medical evidence to support the illness, this evidence can take the form of copies of prescriptions, appointment cards etc.
- School starts at 8.55am, all pupils are expected to be in school and ready for registration at this time.
- If your child arrives late for school, please ensure that the Reception staff are made aware as to why your child is late.

Sometimes messages to teachers go unread as they are so busy so it is important that you notify us via the Absence Line or ParentApp. If we have not heard from you, the absence will be followed up and if we cannot establish a reason for absence then it will be recorded as unauthorised absence.



We are collecting for our Christmas Fair which will be held at school on Friday 17th December, for pupils only.

If you have any of the following items you would like to donate to the school please drop them in to the reception.

- * Unopened gift sets
- * Smaller ornaments and trinkets,
- * Stand-up pictures or photo frames
- * Unopened Toiletries
- * Unwanted teddies / soft toys
- * Board Games
- * Pencil / Pen sets

We are also working towards our Silver Eco award so are looking for some more environmentally friendly gift options, here are some ideas to consider.

- * Books - in good condition
- * Art supplies - crayons, colouring pencils, and pavement chalks.
- * Stationery - notebooks, pencils, rubbers,
- * Games - card games, wooden yo-yos, skipping ropes.
- * Traditional toys - wooden beads, cat's cradle, French knitting dolly, marbles, die-cast toy cars, felt finger puppets, teddies.

Pupils will also be making items to sell on the day.

Thank you for your continued support.



essential SAFETY TIPS for Bonfire Night



Don't build a bonfire too high

Always ensure your fire is built in an open space and not too close to houses, hedges, fences or sheds



Never light a bonfire with petrol

Or any flammable liquid, instead use domestic fire lighters and never throw aerosol cans or tyres onto a fire



Keep a bucket of water nearby

Ensure you have a hosepipe or bucket of water on hand in case of an emergency



Only buy fireworks with the BS7114 kitemark

Be sure to store them in a cool, dry box



Never go near a firework that has been lit

Even if the firework hasn't gone off, it can still explode



When a sparkler goes out, do not touch it

It could still burn you so be sure to place it in a bucket of cold water



Never give sparklers to a child under 5

And teach children to hold them at arm's length



ECO SCHOOL NEWS

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE OBSERVATORY SCHOOL



Plastic reduction within our school

Our school council has been busy setting up our recycling projects, working towards our Silver Eco School Award. They came up with the idea to start to reduce the number of one-use plastics used within the school.

Firstly they targeted the bottled water supplied with the school meals. In one week our school would normally consume 270 plastic bottles of water. Over a term, this would be approx 2000 bottles. Over a year this is a staggering 10,530 bottles.

Next, the Eco council looked at the Toner cartridges and what could be done with them. After many calls and e-mails, they have found 2 companies to work with one of which is a local charity and the other will pay us for printer cartridges donated.

All of our Main school printer cartridges will be going to Wirral St Johns Hospice recycling project. Who we are so excited to be partnered with.

The other is Recycle 4 Charity, which is for smaller home office printer cartridges.

We are asking for your help!

If you have any of these would you kindly donate them to the school rather than putting them in the bin

This will help us with our Eco award, generate funds for the school, and help to save our environment.

Please drop your cartridges off at the school reception and leave the rest to us.



Your Ink Cartridges Could Help Us Raise Funds!



Recycle Yours Here!

