

ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing 9th September 2019

A note from Miss Evans

The staff are delighted to welcome our children back to this brand new school year. We are all well-rested and ready to go! The children all look incredibly smart and very eager to learn.

There have been some significant staffing changes this year. We welcome **Mrs Lewis**, as our newly appointed **Deputy Headteacher**; as many families know, Mrs Lewis is already an extremely successful, vital part of St Columba, and we are certain that she will rise to the challenge of her new role, and take St Columba from strength to strength.

Miss Hitchen has also been appointed as the new Special Educational Needs Coordinator (**SENCO**). She will be available on **Monday** and **Wednesday** afternoon for any parent that needs advice or assurance. **Miss Lorraine**, our Parent Mentor, is a key part of our SEN team and is always available, if needed.

We also welcome **Mrs Mannion**, our new Nursery class teacher; she is an experienced teacher and we feel really lucky to have appointed her. As always we run an 'open door' policy for our families and are always here to support, advise and listen to any issues, concerns or feedback.

Finally we look forward to
holding hands with Jesus as we love, learn and grow together.

Road Safety & Parking

Knowsley Council will be issuing postal Penalty Charge Notices to any vehicles observed parking on school "Keep Clear Markings" during the operative times. So if a ticket is not issued the on the day, drivers should be aware they may still receive a fine in the post.

We would like to offer parents/carers the use of the SPACE centre car park during the beginning and end of the school day. Please avoid blocking residents drives or parking opposite drives, making residents unable to reverse out of their drive.

Reminder

Due to staffing, the office are unable to pass on packed lunches, PE kits, coats, bags etc..
Thank you for your cooperation.

Parent/Carer Meeting

We hope all children have settled back into school well and are enjoying the new school year. If you have any concerns or if you would like to pass any information onto school, please contact the school office to arrange a meeting with Miss Lorraine (Parent Mentor), Mr Murphy (Learning Mentor) or your child's class teacher.

We wish to respect your privacy so please try to avoid raising concerns at the Reception office window as this area is often busy with other parents/ children and visitors.

If you arrange a suitable time we will gladly assist your concern/query in a more appropriate area of the school.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of our parents/carers and most of all, our children. St Columba's have been informed by the Local Authority that 2018.19 attendance percentage was the best recorded in 20 years! Well done. The Attendance Team will continue to work hard to "smash" this record this year.
THANK YOU ALL!

ATTENDANCE

Above 97%	96% - 97%	Under 96%
Exceeding Target	On Target	Below Target
Class	Graded	%
Nursery		0
Reception		93.3
Class 1		90.5
Class 2		92.6
Class 3		91.8
Class 4		92.2
Class 5		94.5
Class 6		95.4
WHOLE SCHOOL		92.9

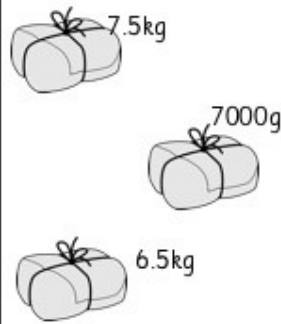
Winners

The award for the best class goes to Year 6 with an amazing 95.4%.
WELL DONE to all children and parents/carers!!



This Weeks Maths Challenge

Circle the heaviest parcel.



Vocab Word Search

1. AUTUMN 2. LEAVES 3. WIND 4. SEASON

S	Z	C	N	K	N	I	D	H	L
G	E	I	J	M	J	B	K	O	E
U	Y	A	E	B	U	V	S	V	A
W	M	R	S	D	Q	T	L	K	V
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Weekly Attendance Information

During the summer break, Knowsley School Attendance Service revised the issuing of penalty notices for unauthorised absences.

We will be inviting all parents/carers to a meeting to discuss the changes in the coming weeks. If you wish to speak to a member of the Attendance Team about the changes, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

TUESDAY	WORSHIP WARRIORS	YEAR 3/4/5	3:15—4:00
TUESDAY	FOOTBALL	YEAR 5/6	3:15—4:15
WEDNESDAY	CHOIR	YEAR 3/4/5/6	3:15—4:00
WEDNESDAY	GYMNASTICS	YEAR 3/4/5/6	3:15—4:15
THURSDAY	MULTI SPORTS	YEAR 3/4/5/6	3:15—4:15



IMPORTANT DATES