

The Much Woolton

Newsletter Number 5 of this school year

Key dates :

- ✓ Monday 13 November- Arts week begins
- ✓ Monday 13 November- ICECATS training for children
- ✓ Wednesday 15 November: ICECATS meeting for parents- session 1 9am new hall, session 2, 3pm main hall
- ✓ Friday 17 November- PTA Own Clothes day (Chocolate donations)
- ✓ Friday 24 November- PTA Own Clothes day (Bottle donations)
- ✓ Saturday 25 November- Christmas Fair
- ✓ **CHANGE- Monday 27 November- School photo day**
- ✓ Monday 11 December- PTA Infant Film Night
- ✓ Tuesday 12 December- PTA Junior Film Night
- ✓ Friday 1 December- Minnie Vinnies Own Clothes Day- £1 donation to Alder Hey.
- ✓ Tuesday 19 December- Open afternoon 3.30-5pm for parents to see children's work
- ✓ Wednesday 20 December- school closes for Christmas (2pm)
- ✓ Monday 8 January- school re-opens for Spring term
- ✓ Friday February 9- school closes for half term
- ✓ Ash Wednesday February 14
- ✓ Monday February 19- school re-opens for Spring 2.



Well done the following children who have received Golden Certificates in the last fortnight:
Mila R, Harley H, Brooklyn J, Joseph M, Daniel B, Kieran L, Harry W, Finley M, Igor S, Hollie L, Caillem T, Bonnie W, Fletcher W, Erin R, Ben F, Ava O'B, Dominic B, Mica H, Charlotte M, Olivia M, Max M, Liam B, Harry O, Jasmine M, Maddy C, Charlie B, Joseph Y, Lara F.

Our quicksticks hockey team came third in their recent city semifinals, a great result in their first attempt at hockey- well done. Our football teams continue to play well, though not all results are going our way so far. We are sure this will turn around after Christmas.

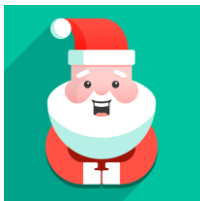
The following children also received a card and 'Values Heart' for doing their best to exemplify our school values:
Tom W, Mila R, Charlie W, Lucy E, Jack T, Alan G, Eva B, Rowan M, Penny W, Esmie H, Liam P, Ryan B, Tayah B, Scarlett F, Lewis F, David E, Erin F, Paul H, Sophie C, Josie W, John W, Cristiano CDS, Ciara M, Niamh O'B, Calvin N, Finlay B, Filipa C, Rhys C



Christmas Dates

Key Dates are:

- Saturday 25 November: Christmas Fair
- Monday 27 November: School photograph day
- Monday 11 December: Infant Film night (PTA will send more information)
- Tuesday 12 December: 2pm EYFS Nativity/ Junior Film night (as above)
- Wednesday 13 December: Christmas dinner day (children may wear something with a Christmas theme- jumper, hat, hairband etc with their uniform)
- Wednesday 13 December: Christmas Carol Concert, 7pm @ St Mary's led by the Juniors
- Thursday 14 December: 2pm KS1 nativity
- Friday 15 December: 2pm KS1 nativity
- Monday 18 December- Party day
- Tuesday 19 December: Infant visit to Epstein Theatre
- Wednesday 20 December: School closes for Christmas break at 2pm





Our target for attendance this year is 97% minimum for each child and across the school. Below is the attendance by class across the school in the week prior to half term:

Class 1	97.7%	Class 2	93.8%
Class 3	96.7%	Class 4	99.3%
Class 5	92.4%	Class 6	99.0%
Class 7	98.4%	Class 8	97.2%
Class 9	94.8%	Class 10	92.2%
Class 11	96.2%	Class 12	94.0%
Class 13	96.4%	Class 14	97.1%

Please remember that we do not authorise holidays and do not respond to requests for holiday permission. Eight from 14 classes fell below our target, mainly due to holidays being taken. As a school we would prefer to work with families on attendance rather than simply levy fines, however this position may alter should the above pattern continue.

Taking responsibility- building resilience



We work hard to build resilience in our children, as part of our commitment to ensuring that our children are ready for secondary school and are building skills for the life beyond school. A big part of resilience building is the ability to problem solve and to take responsibility in meeting expectations. Parents can help us with this in small ways, examples being:

- Labelling uniform and belongings so a child can find their own things
- Insisting that children carry their own bags to and from school
- Asking children to prepare their bags for school the night before
- Set an example to children of rule following in supporting our school rules
- Expecting them to complete homework as soon as possible after it is set
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These are just small examples but will help your child in problem solving and building their resilience when faced with challenges.



- During the winter leave home with time to spare before school opens as it may take longer to get here and park carefully, if you drive.
- Mr Chamberlain, Children's mentor, is available by appointment to discuss any concerns about your child, either in school or at home.
- Teachers and school staff are available at the class doors each afternoon, or via the phone should you wish to discuss any issues.
- School is here to support our families. If you have any concerns about your child or family life please seek support from school and we will do our best to help.
- Please remember dogs are not allowed on our playground. Please do not carry or walk dogs onto the playground as some children are frightened of them. If needed leave dogs tied at the gate when you fetch your child. Please remove any mess your dog makes before going home.

PTA – SAVE THE DATE

25 November, Christmas Fair 12.30-3.30pm
11 December, Infants Christmas Film Night
12 December, Junior Christmas Film Night