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# Newsletter



Dear Malvern Families,

I trust this message finds you well despite the recent cold weather and icy conditions. As always at Malvern, we remain committed to seizing every opportunity to create memorable experiences for our students and this week was no exception.

On Tuesday, our children (and staff) enjoyed building snowmen, creating snow angels and making the most of the snow. We shared a short video via our social media channels that really captures just how much fun a snow day at Malvern can be. The smiles on the faces of our pupils was a real delight to behold. If you have not had a chance to view it yet, I would strongly recommend you do.

As a school, we understand that, on days when snow falls, it can be difficult for families to make the journey to school. Therefore, I want to extend my gratitude to all members of our community for your patience, flexibility and support during these unusual circumstances. Your cooperation as we navigated alternative entrances and exits was crucial in ensuring the safety of everyone within our school community.

Looking ahead, I am pleased to announce that we anticipate a return to normality on Monday. Children should arrive at the usual time, using the regular entrance and wearing their full school uniform.

Wishing you a restful weekend and looking forward to a smooth transition back to our regular routine.

Mr James

#### Headteacher





#### **Local Councillor Support**

Our local Swanside Councillors are consistent supporters of our school community and want to reach out to offer their support to all of our families. Recently, they have received an increased number of contacts from residents who are struggling. The Swanside Councillors send out, on a weekly basis, a community newsletter that includes support information from local community centres, churches, etc. If anyone would like to receive the community newsletter and/or is in need of support, please contact the Councillors at the email addresses below:

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Graham.morgan@knowsley.gov.uk

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# **Spotlight On: Road Safety**

#### **Modeshift STARS Achievement**

We delighted to announce that Malvern is the first school in Knowsley to receive Green Accreditation in the Modeshift STARS scheme. This recognition highlights our commitment to promoting active travel, including walking and cycling, to and from school. Led by Miss Brown, our Learning Mentor, we have worked in collaboration with Knowsley Council's Road Safety Team to achieve this prestigious status. We are very grateful to all of our families for your continued support and hope that you can continue to support us by continuing to walk, cycle and scoot to school as often as possible.



#### **Keeping Our School Safe**

Before the Christmas holidays, our Junior Leadership Team-inspired by road safety workshops held in school and with the support of our Parent Council- approached our local councillors to ask if there was anything that could be done to improve the safety of Willoughby Road. As usual, our local councillors were keen to help and kindly offered their support. They contacted a number of local companies to see if they could fund and support the Junior Leadership Team's request. The councillors soon contacted school and informed the Junior Leadership Team that Cambrainway LTD had agreed to purchase four road safety signs and would be donating these to school.

Delighted by this success, the Junior Leadership Team met to design the signs and discuss the messages that they would like to see displayed. The designs and messaging was then shared with Cambrianway LTD. Last week, we welcomed our local councillors, supported by Megan Dever (local community volunteer) and Bryan McGinty (Director of Cambrianway LTD) to school to unveil the signs.

We are extremely grateful to Megan, Cambrianway LTD and our local councillors for their support in making our school environment a safer place for all. We hope that the signs act a reminder for all Malvern families to think about their driving and to park in a safe manner when around school.



#### **Astronomy Night in Court Hey Park**

Malvern families are invited to join a captivating Astronomy Night at Court Hey Park. Hosted by the Friends of Court Hey, Local Rangers, and the Liverpool Astronomical Society, this event is scheduled for Friday, 26th January, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the courtyard. The event is free, and no booking is required.

The Liverpool Astronomical Society will present an illustrated talk, exploring the wonders of the solar system. Attendees will also have the opportunity to gaze at the stars through telescopes provided by the society. Esposito's cafe will be open, offering refreshments for those in attendance.



#### **Classroom Challenge Competition**

This week, we were delighted to receive some fantastic prizes from the English Schools' Football Association as part of their Panini Classroom Challenge Competition. Panini are celebrating their 11<sup>th</sup> Classroom Challenge and are offering an opportunity for primary schools to win £2,000 cash, individual prizes and a presentation assembly from Panini.

Mr Phillips has entry forms available for any children who are interested in taking part in this wonderful competition.



#### **NSPCC Number Day 2024**

We are delighted to once again be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on **Friday 2nd February 2024.** The NSPCC need our support more than ever and by raising money, we can help to fund their vital services such as ChildLine – the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern.

Number Day is a great way to promote the enjoyment of mathematics and create a positive, 'can-do' attitude. On **Friday 2nd February** we will be hosting a fun day of maths activities and we will be inviting children to take part in #DressUpForDigits. All children are invited to wear an item of clothing with a number on it. This can be a sports shirt, cap or you can get more creative by creating your own outfit with a maths or numbers theme.

Please note, we will not be expecting any monetary contributions to come directly into school. However, for those who are in the position to contribute, we would encourage an online donation to the NSPCC. Details for making a donation can be found at:

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/ways-to-give/donate/



### **Attendance League Standings**

POSITION	TEAM	PLAYED	WON	DRAW	Points
1	Wotho's Originals	10	8	2	32
2	The Pyneapples	10	9	1	30
3	Resilient Reception 2	10	9	1	28
4	Ferocious Phillips	10	5	0	21
5	Resilient Reception 1	10	7	0	21
6	Hayes' Heros	10	6	0	20
7	Brown's Busy Bees	10	6	0	18
8	Byrne's Bears	10	5	0	17
9	The Racing Carrs	10	5	0	17
10	O'Brien's Lions	10	4	1	16
11	The Bulldogs	10	4	1	14
12	The Fraser Frogs	10	4	0	14
13	Davo's Daring Donkeys	10	4	0	14
14	The Marvelous Matthews	10	1	0	3

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#### Attendee of the Week

Sophie demonstrates resilience and dedication every single day. She overcomes obstacles with a smile on her face and is a great example to those around her. Sophie has always had an excellent attendance record and always make a huge effort to be in school, even when she is faced with difficulties. We are really proud of the grit and determination that Sophie shows. Well done, Sophie, keep it up!



Weekly School Attendance

94.4%

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Overall School Attendance

95.3%