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Newsletter



Dear Malvern Families

This week we were pleased to host our Parent and Guardian Question and Answer session. This meeting provided a valuable opportunity to hear directly from families and to discuss key areas of school life.

We are grateful to everyone who attended and shared their thoughts. Your feedback is important and will help us move forward with confidence as we continue to refine our approaches, particularly around communication and school uniform.

These conversations play an important role in building the open and trusting relationships that sit at the heart of our school community. Together, we can ensure that Malvern continues to be a place where every child feels supported to grow and succeed.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mr James **Headteacher**



Residential Visits 2026

As shared with families during our Meet the Teacher events, we are once again extremely grateful to our dedicated staff team for providing residential enhancement and enrichment opportunities for pupils across Key Stage 2. These visits have become a valued part of life at Malvern and we feel very fortunate to offer such memorable experiences for our children.

Once again, Year 3 will visit CHET, Year 4 will enjoy Barnstondale, Year 5 will travel to Dolly Hall and Year 6 will experience the excitement of London. In addition, our enhancement skiing visit to Italy will take place in January 2026. Mr Hunt and Mr Wardell will coordinate all residential visits and each year group will receive a detailed letter outlining specific arrangements.

We kindly ask all parents and guardians to read our Enhancement and Enrichment Visits Policy before making any bookings. By paying the deposit, families agree to the following:

- The deposit confirms a commitment to pay the full balance and is non-refundable.
- The school cannot accept cancellations later in the year. Should a place be cancelled, the full balance must still be paid.
- Where places are limited, they will be allocated on a first come first served basis.
- If a visit is not paid for (in full) two weeks prior to departure or if there are outstanding debts to the school or local authority, the school reserves the right to withdraw a child's place.

These visits provide rich learning experiences and lasting memories for our children. They are only possible because of the dedication and generosity of our staff, who go above and beyond to make these experiences so special.

Democracy in Action at Malvern

This week saw our Junior Leadership elections take place. It was wonderful to see democracy in action as children visited the polling station to cast their votes using official ballot papers, with a returning officer overseeing proceedings.

All candidates ran thoughtful and enthusiastic campaigns, sharing their ideas with confidence and integrity. Each one demonstrated leadership, commitment and pride in our community, and they should all feel very proud of their achievements.

The results were announced during a special assembly on Friday, where we also introduced our new Deputy Head Boys, Deputy Head Girls, Prefects, Junior Leadership Class Representatives and Art Ambassadors. It was a proud moment for everyone involved. Every candidate has shown the qualities that make them excellent role models for others, and we congratulate our newly appointed pupil leaders on their success.



Laptop Donation

We would like to share our sincere thanks to Chase de Vere for their generous donation of five Lenovo laptops to our school. The laptops were kindly gifted following a nomination from one of our parents who works for the company, as part of their commitment to supporting education and local communities.

This support will make a real difference to our school and we are very grateful to both Chase de Vere and our school community for helping make this possible.



LFC Foundation Smile Event

This week our Sports Leaders took part in the LFC Foundation *Smile* event. The session focused on the importance of positive thinking and spreading happiness to others. Children explored how small actions can brighten someone's day and even learned more about how to take good care of their teeth.

It was a fun and uplifting session that reminded everyone how powerful a simple smile can be.



Inspiring Visit from Team GB Athlete Emily Ford

This week we were thrilled to welcome Team GB athlete Emily Ford to school. Children took part in a series of fitness challenges with Emily, focusing on both upper and lower body strength.

Emily then led an inspirational assembly on resilience, sharing how she responded to finishing last in the Tokyo Games by working even harder and going on to win bronze in Paris. Her message of perseverance and determination reminded everyone to keep going, whatever the challenge.



Have Your Say - Huyton Skatepark and Games Area

Knowsley Council is currently seeking feedback on the skatepark and multi-use games area in Huyton, located behind Our Place. The short survey aims to gather views on how the facilities are used now and how they could be improved in the future.

We would really appreciate families sharing this link with young people who use or would like to use the site. The survey only takes a few minutes to complete, and every response will help shape future plans for the area.



https://shorturl.at/RXKcp

Supporting Families with Online Safety

Thank you to everyone who joined our recent online safety parent session. We hope you found it helpful and informative.

If you were unable to attend, you can now watch the full recording by visiting:

https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/
online-safety-parent-session-oct-2025/

If you have any questions, please get in touch.

KS2 Dodgeball Success

Well done to our KS2 dodgeball team who took part in the KSSP competition this week. The team showed great energy and teamwork, putting their dip, dive, duck and dodge skills to the test while having lots of fun along the way.



Celebrating National Poetry Day

Last Thursday we celebrated National Poetry Day, with this year's theme of Play. Children enjoyed exploring poems that celebrate language, imagination and fun. It was a wonderful opportunity to share a love of poetry across school and we encourage families to continue reading and enjoying poems together at home.

Our autumn term book fair has been really well attended and will continue until Tuesday. It is open each day in the school foyer from 3.30pm to 4.15pm. Every purchase helps us to add new titles to our growing school library, so your support is greatly appreciated.

In addition, our school library continues to expand with more exciting books being added regularly. We hope children will keep exploring, discovering and enjoying the magic of reading.



Working Together for Our Community

Last week we were pleased to welcome MP Ian Byrne and local Councillor Colin Dever to school. During their visit, we discussed the importance of communities working together to support children and families.

lan and Colin also enjoyed a tour of the school, including our recently expanded nursery provision, which continues to provide high-quality early learning opportunities for our youngest children. We are delighted that our nursery will be full from January, with a growing waiting list - a reflection of the trust families place in our early years team and the strong reputation of our provision.

It was a pleasure to share the work taking place across school and to strengthen links within our local community.



Car Park

Last week we reminded families about the importance of parking safely around school and avoiding the use of the school car park as a drop-off point. We would like to thank everyone who has supported this message and helped to make the area around school safer for both children and colleagues.

October Holiday Provision

Our October Holiday Provision is available for children in Reception to Year 6, offering a safe and engaging environment during the half-term break. Parents can drop off from 8.00am, and the day runs until 4.00pm. The cost is £15.00 per child, per day.

Places are limited to maintain high quality and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Children will be provided with light snacks throughout the day but should bring a packed lunch. The provision will be managed by familiar Malvern colleagues, ensuring a warm and secure setting for every child.

Bookings should be made in advance through Parent Pay, and places are only confirmed once payment has been received. Please note that fees are non-refundable as they cover staffing costs. The booking deadline is **Thursday 23 October 2025.**

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact the school office.

Help Keep Children Healthy This Winter

As we move into the winter months, we are encouraging all families to take up the offer of a flu vaccination for their child. Vaccination helps protect not only children themselves but also staff, families and vulnerable members of our wider community.

Across Knowsley, fewer consent forms have been returned this year, which means some children may miss out on being protected. It is quick and easy to give consent online by scanning the QR code or following the link shared by the School-Aged Immunisation Team.

If you prefer to complete a paper consent form, or if you would like to speak with someone about the vaccination, please contact the School-Aged Immunisation Team on 0151 351 8805. Catch-up sessions will take place during the winter term, so it is not too late to take part.

Thank you for helping us to keep our community healthy and well this winter.

Make sure your child is protected from flu

Flu vaccines are now available for children aged two and three years old and all school children.



✓□ Quick and painless nasal flu spray

Remember to complete the consent form to make sure your child does not miss out on their vaccination at school.



It is easy to give consent: scan the QR code or click here https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/

If you would like to know more about the nasal spray vaccination, you can call and speak to the Immunisation team on 0151-351 8805. They will be happy to answer any questions you may have.



Key Dates - Autumn Term

Below are some of the key dates for the coming Autumn Term. Please note that they are subject to change. Any changes or updates will be communicated with families as soon as possible.

Date	Event			
Tuesday 7 October	3CW - Stone Age Workshop			
Thursday 9 October	Y6 - Cathedral Trip			
Friday 10 October	4IP - Roman Trip			
Friday 10 October	Y6 - Sleepover			
Friday 10 October	NSPCC Kindness Week – Wear something to make you smile			
Tuesday 14 October	3AP - Stone Age Workshop			
Wednesday 15 October	Y1 - RWI Parent Workshop 9.00 am			
Wednesday 15 October	PHSE Parent Meeting 2.45 pm			
Thursday 16 October	Y2 - Imagine That			
Tuesday 21 October	Y4 - Parent Showcase 2.45 pm			
Wednesday 22 October	Y2 - Parent Showcase 2.45 pm			
Thursday 23 October	School closes 3.30 pm			
	Half Term			
Monday 3 November	School re-opens			
Wednesday 5 November	Open Afternoon for New Prospective Parents			
Tuesday 11 November	Y6 - Remembrance Assembly			
Friday 14 November	Children in Need – Wear your pyjamas			
Thursday 20 November	5JMc - World Museum Visit			
Thursday 20 November	EYFS - Animals Take Over in school			
Monday 1 December	Christmas Jumpers can be worn from today			
Tuesday 2 December	Y2 - Church Visit			
Friday 5 December	Rocksteady Christmas Performance @ 9.30am			
Friday 5 December	Festive Friday @ Malvern			
Saturday 6 December	Breakfast with Santa			
Monday 8 December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Dinner			
Tuesday 9 December	Y3/4 Christmas Dinner			
Wednesday 10 December	Y5/6 Christmas Dinner			
Wednesday 10 December	Festive Film Night			
Thursday 11 December	EYFS Nativity 2.30 pm			
Friday 12 December	EYFS Nativity 9.30 am			
Monday 15 December	KS1 Nativity 2.30 pm			
Tuesday 16 December	KS1 Nativity 9.30 am			
Wednesday 17 December	Drama Theatre Club Evening Performance			
Thursday 18 December	Drama Theatre Club Evening Performance			
Friday 19 December	School closes 1.30 pm			



Attendance League Standings

POSITION	TEAM	PLAYE	WO	DRA	Points
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1	The Magical Murphys	1	1	0	5
2	Resilient Reception 1	1	1	0	5
3	Resilient Reception 2	1	1	0	5
4	Brown's Busy Bees	1	1	0	3
5	The Happy Horans	1	1	0	3
6	The Smashing Sheikhs	1	1	0	3
7	The Corn on the Cobs	1	1	0	3
8	The Fiery Phillips	1	0	0	2
9	Worthington's Wishmakers	1	0	0	2
10	The Corn Dogs	1	0	0	2
11	Pyne's Pynecones	1	0	0	0
12	The McMinions	1	0	0	0
13	Donno's Dragons	1	0	0	0
14	Davo's Dino Nuggets	1	0	0	0

Attendee of the Week

We are delighted to celebrate Alan as our Attendee of the Week. He has made a fantastic improvement in his attendance, showing real commitment and determination. Alan has not only been consistently present but has also made an excellent start to Year 6, approaching each day with enthusiasm and a positive attitude to learning.

We are very proud of the progress he is making and the example he is setting for others.

Well done, Alan – keep it up!

Weekly School
Attendance

98%





Every School Day Counts!

Overall School
Attendance

97.4%