

Holy Trinity CE Primary School 23.10.26

Message from Mrs Charters

Welcome to the first Holy Trinity newsletter of the school year! Although we are only two months into the term, we already have plenty of exciting news to share—from PTA events and Science workshops to Super Reading challenges. Thank you for your continued support, and we wish you all a lovely, safe half-term holiday.

"To be the best we can be: for God, for others and for ourselves."

Attendance - Term Time Holidays Unauthorised

We would like to remind all parents and carers of the current national guidance from the Department for Education (DfE), which is applied by local authorities, including Sefton.

The law is clear that children should attend school every day. Schools are only able to authorise leave in exceptional circumstances. Family holidays during term time do not meet this criteria and will be recorded as unauthorised absence.

Under the national attendance framework, schools must refer cases to the local authority when a child has 10 or more sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence within a 10-week period. This includes term time holidays.

Penalties

Where this threshold is met, Sefton Local Authority may issue a penalty notice, which is:

- £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days
- £160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days
- A second penalty within 3 years will be issued at £160 with no reduction
- Continued offences may lead to further legal action, including court proceedings

It is important to understand that this is national legislation, not a school-level decision. Schools are required to follow this statutory guidance.

Important Clarification

- Any queries or challenges regarding penalty fines must be directed to Sefton Local Authority, as they are responsible for issuing and administering penalty notices.
- The school does not receive any of the money from fines issued.

Working Together

We recognise the importance of family time; however, regular attendance is essential for children's academic progress, wellbeing, and long-term success. Even a short period of absence can have a significant impact on learning.

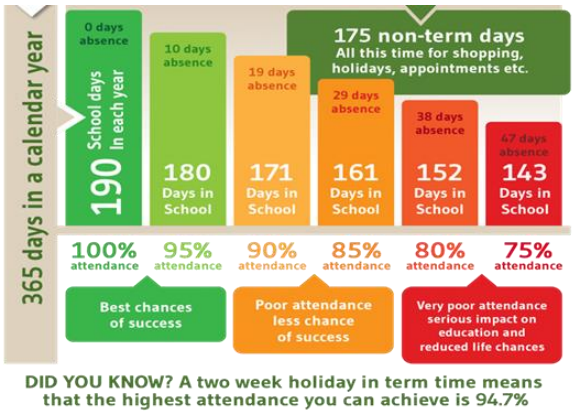
We appreciate your continued support in ensuring that holidays are taken during school holiday periods and that all children attend school regularly. If you need support with attendance, please do contact the school - we are here to help.

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*If your child is going to be off school, please can I gently remind you to report any absences by **ringing our school office**.*

***We will not be accepting emails or Dojo's about attendance** from parents/carers. Please call and speak to a member of the school office to explain your child's absence.*

Please don't report an absence on Class Dojo as these messages may not be picked up by teachers until later in the day, a telephone call must be made.



Medical/Dentist Appointments



📢 **Reminder: Medical & Dentist Appointments**

Wherever possible, please arrange medical and dentist appointments outside of the school day.

If an appointment must take place during school hours, we kindly ask that it is booked before or after school, or as close to the end of the school day as possible to reduce disruption to learning.

If your child needs to leave school early for an appointment, proof of the appointment must be provided to the school office.

⏰ **Please note:** The school office is closed between **12:30pm and 1:00pm each day.**

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Charters

Headteacher

Sefton Team Around the School (TAS)

Sefton Team Around The School

Who are we and what we do?

Every family could benefit from help and support at some point. TAS are a team of professionals including:

Early Help Worker
Social Worker
Inclusion Consultant
School Nurse

We can provide support and guidance around lots of worries including:

- Behaviours and boundaries
- Development and health concerns
- School attendance
- Sleep difficulties
- Money Worries
- Emotional health and wellbeing (Low Mood and Anxiety)
- Drug or alcohol Issues

If we can't offer the right support, we will signpost you to someone who can!

Candice
Social
Worker



Caroline
Early Help
Worker

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Summer Reading Challenge Winners



We would like to wish a very big ‘Well done!’ to the children who competed the Summer Reading Challenge at their local library over the summer holidays. The children below had to read 6 or more library books and were presented with their certificates during this week’s Praise Worship.

Well done to –

Year 1-

Luke

Ella

Amelie

Year 2-

Iggy

Brian

Year 3-

Aisthath

Elyse

Ava

Haya

Year 4-

Elsie

Year 5-

Thomas

Shafiyat

Philip

Year 6-

Dechen

Tymek

Ellie

Choir & Music Lessons Update

Choir lessons This year, Year 3 and Year 6 are taking part in weekly choir sessions with Liverpool Cathedral Schools Singing programme. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn new songs and they will be performing later this year at Liverpool Cathedral.

Music lessons

This term, Year 3 and Year 4 music lessons are being taught by Sefton Wider Opportunities music team. Year 3 are learning how to read simple musical notation and play simple rhythmic patterns on the djembes. Year 4 are building on last year's ukulele lessons and continuing to learn how to play new songs. They will be performing at a local care home and in the Christmas service this year.

Science Day



Our recent **Science Day was a huge hit!** Pupils across the school enjoyed spectacular live science shows, with separate sessions for **KS1 and KS2**, followed by a fantastic **Family Science Show** after school.

The shows brought science to life through exciting demonstrations and experiments. From **rockets firing into the air** and **balloons inflating before our eyes**, to the unforgettable sight of **fireballs being created**, there were plenty of gasps, cheers and amazed faces!

It was wonderful to see so many of our families joining us for the evening show and sharing in the excitement. A brilliant event that sparked curiosity, encouraged questions and showed just how **fun, surprising and explosive science can be!**



Celebrating Holy Trinity Superstars

If your child takes part in any activities and they have done something they are proud of, please let us know!

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Happy Birthday



Year 1 – Orion

Year 1 – Corey

Year 1 – Jacob

Year 4 – Aleksander

October 2026 - Half term Camps





SCARISBRICK KICKERS FOOTBALL



Group Football Coaching for kids ages 4-13

We offer weekly training sessions for boys & girls of all abilities that promote attributes such as technique, teamwork, fitness and making friends.

"A fantastic experience where kids get maximum enjoyment while honing their skills on the pitch"

FA Licensed Coaches with experience of coaching in United States.

If it is your first time booking our inclusive football classes with us your child will receive a warm welcome!

Only £5 per session for the below classes apart from Thursday, 6pm which is £6.

Thursdays

*5-6pm, ages 7-9, (first class free at 5pm) *6-7pm, ages 9-11.

Saturdays

*10-11am, ages 4-6 (first class free at 10am) *11-12pm, ages 7-9
*12-1pm, ages 9-11 *1-2pm, High school years 7 & 8.

For bookings or enquiries contact Jon Ackers, Lead football coach
M:07896 286659 or email: sbrickkickers@gmail.com
Facebook group page: Scarisbrick Kickers Football
Classes at 3G pitches, Dunes Splashworld, Victoria Way, Southport, PR8 1RX



Halloween Showdown



Join us at Goodison Park this Halloween as Everton Women take on Manchester United on Saturday 31 October at 12:45pm.

Use code ***HALSCHOOLS*** when booking to get two Under-18 tickets free with every adult ticket purchased, making it the perfect opportunity to enjoy a Halloween matchday together.

BOOK YOUR TICKETS - Everton Women vs Manchester United Women Tickets[2]

With Halloween activities, costume competitions and a spooky half-time dance, it's set to be a spooktacular matchday with fun for all the family. Bring your families and friends along to cheer on the Toffees as they take on the Red Devils.

Book your tickets now and join us for a Halloween to remember!

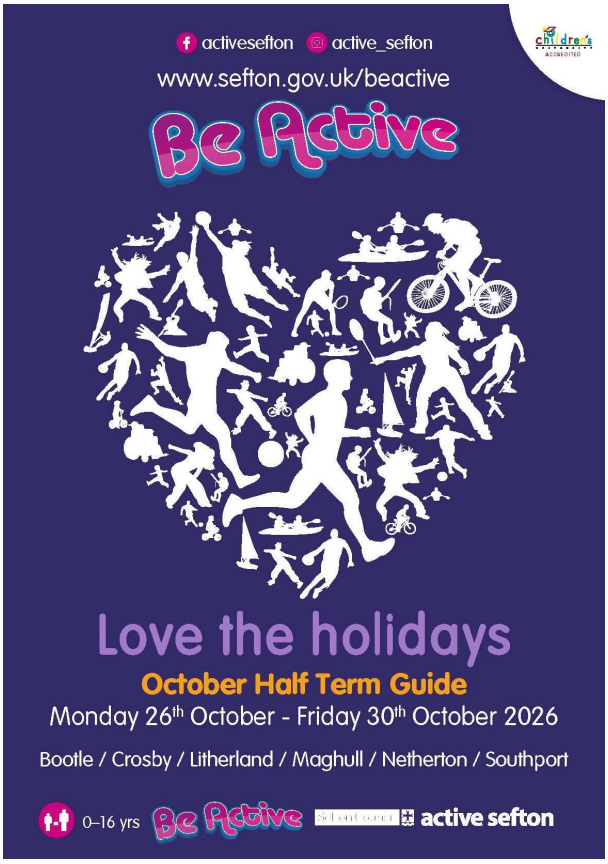
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Come on you Blues! 💙

Kind regards,

Everton Women

Sefton Be Active



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Be Active

How to Book

ONLINE BOOKING INFORMATION

Bookings for Sports & Games, Dance Camps, Ditch your stabilisers sessions and Dance Workshops activities are online ONLY - please visit **https://activesefton.gladstonego.cloud/book to book your place**. Search Active Sefton then select the session you wish to book.

For more information on how to create an account to book, please visit:

https://www.activeseftonfitness.co.uk/activeseftonbookings

For more information or help, contact the Active Sefton Team on **0151 288 6286** or email **active.sports@sefton.gov.uk**

MOBILE PHONES AND TECHNICAL DEVICES

Please can we ask all children to keep mobile phones / tablets at home or in their bags during our Be Active sessions. As part of the registration process, our coaches ensure we have contact numbers for all parents/guardians, so should we need to contact you at any stage during the day, we are able to do so.

PACKED LUNCHES

Active Sefton encourages children to eat a healthy balanced diet and get active. Just like our schools in Sefton, we ask that you try and make healthier lunch choices and do not give your children chocolate, sweets, cakes or fizzy drinks. Below are some ideas to help you pack up a healthy lunch box for your child to bring with them to our school holiday camps.

- Swap white bread for wholemeal bread for sandwiches.
- Swap fizzy and juice drinks for water.
- Swap high sugar, high fat products such as chocolate, sweets, cakes and crisps for fruit, sugar free jelly and plain popcorn.
- Include some chopped up vegetables as a snack with a low calorie dip such as hummus.
- This lunch box guidance is intended to help children develop and practice healthy eating habits. A nutritious meal at lunch time can help children, concentrate and increase their energy levels and performance. Give some of the swaps a try!

For more information on any of our programmes, please follow us at

activesefton active_sefton

Or visit us at **www.sefton.gov.uk/beactive**







EVERY WEEKDAY 4–6PM FROM 26TH OCTOBER – 6TH NOVEMBER

active sefton presents

PARK NIGHTS

Archery
Football
Cricket
Tennis
Multi-sport

FREE sport and activities for young people this autumn!

MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER & MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER
Coronation Park, Crosby & Duke Street Park, Formby

TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER & TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER
Linacre Bridge Community Hub, Bootle & Canning Road Recreation Ground, Southport

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER & WEDNESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER
King George V, Maghull & Bedford Park, Birkdale

THURSDAY 29TH OCTOBER & THURSDAY 5TH NOVEMBER
Netherton Activity Centre & Hesketh Park, Southport

FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER & FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER
Abbeyfield Park, Netherton & Runnells Lane / Masefield Road, Thornton

Activities can vary and will be weather dependent. For more information, please contact the team on **0151 288 6286** or email **active.sports@sefton.gov.uk**

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Prices and Booking

Days / Activity	Pre-booking	Saver Plus	Turn up on the day
1 day	£17	£14	N/A
5 day	£68	£56	N/A
Acro Dance Camp	£17	N/A	N/A
Ditch your stabilisers	£15	N/A	N/A
Be Active Swimming Sessions*	N/A	£2.40	£3.20

* full prices apply to accompanying Adults £7.00





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Ditch your Stabilisers

We have two sessions of this extremely popular activity available during this holiday; proving to be the ideal way for families to get their children riding and with a fantastic success rate, these hands-on sessions for families offer the perfect opportunity to give your children a head start with their cycling.

With support, advice and guidance from our enthusiastic and knowledgeable staff, we provide you with the tools to get your children riding independently without stabilisers and achieve that real land mark moment in their lives that they'll remember for years to come.

Please ensure your child has suitable clothing and footwear for the session along with their bike & cycle helmet that fits.

Children must be accompanied by an adult who must participate in the session. Please note this session is outside.

When	Where
Tuesday 27th October 9am - 12pm or 1pm - 4pm	Litherland Sports Park, Boundary Lane, Litherland, L21 7LA





Be Active | Places are limited. Book your place today!

Litherland Sports Park

Boundary Road, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 7LA

Activity	Time	Days	Age
Sports & Games	9am - 3pm	Monday 26th - Friday 30th October	*4 - 12 Years

*Children age 4 must be in Reception



Meadows

Meadows Leisure Centre, Hall Lane, Maghull, L31 7BB

Activity	Time	Days	Age
**Be Active Swimming Sessions	10am - 12pm	Monday 26th - Friday 30th October	0 - 16 years
**Be Active Swimming Sessions	1pm - 3pm		0 - 16 years

** the learner pool is shut on Tuesday's and Thursday's 9am - 12pm

Netherton Activity Centre

Glovers Lane, Bootle, L30 3TL

Activity	Time	Days	Age
Acro Dance Camp	9am – 3pm	Tuesday 27th October	*4 – 14 years

*Children age 4 must be in Reception



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Bootle Leisure Centre

North Park, Washington Parade, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 5JJ

Activity	Time	Days	Age
Be Active swimming sessions	**Session 1:** 10am - 11.15am **Session 2:** 11.30am - 12.45pm **Session 3:** 1.00pm - 2.15pm **Session 4:** 2.30pm - 3.45pm	Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October	0-16 years

Due to the popularity of our swimming programme, we have introduced a time banded session system throughout half term holiday period. Coloured wristbands will be sold 15 minutes before the start of each session.

Crosby Leisure Centre

Mariners Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 6SX

Activity	Time	Days	Age
Acro Dance Camp	9am - 3pm	Wednesday 28th October	*4-12 years

*Children age 4 must be in Reception

Dunes Leisure Centre

Esplanade, Southport, Merseyside, PR8 1RR

Activity	Time	Days	Age
Be Active Swimming Sessions	10am - 12pm	Monday 26th - Friday 30th October	0 - 16 years
Be Active Swimming Sessions	2pm - 4pm		0 - 16 years

Be Active | **Places are limited. Book your place today!**

School Holiday Programmes

Fun for all children

Be Active Swimming Sessions*

Discounted swim sessions are available in all of our swimming pools as part of Be Active during allocated time slots in; Meadows, Dunes and Bootle swimming pools.



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With support, advice and guidance from our enthusiastic and knowledgeable staff, we provide you with the tools to get your children riding independently without stabilisers and achieve that real land mark moment in their lives that they'll remember for years to come.

Sports & Games

For children from reception age to 12 years old, our days are packed with a variety of different sports and games such as dodgeball, archery, team building activities and much more. Children will be split into age specific groups and led by our enthusiastic Active Sefton Coaches who will create a happy and safe environment for your children.

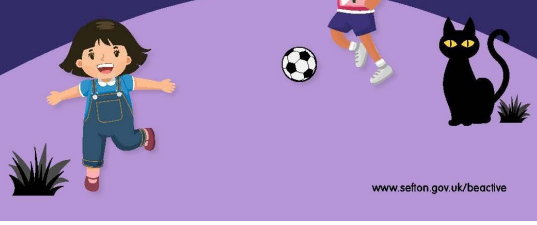
Acro Dance Camps

Come and try our session that combines dance with gymnastic skills, whilst learning limbering, balancing, flexibility and tumbling.

No discounts will be applied.

* Full prices apply to accompanying adults. Under 8's must be accompanied by an adult at all times. 1 Adult : 2 Under 8's. Floats and music are not guaranteed at every session.





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Children's University - October half term Challenge 2026



Thank You



A huge thank you to local business Alcedo Care for their kind donations of chairs which we will make good use of in our school hall!

PTA



Break The Rules Day

Thank you to the PTA who arranged this day to raise money for school funds. We raised £172 which will go towards enrichment activities at the school.

Harvest Service

A heartfelt thank you to all the families who kindly donated food for our Harvest Service. Your generosity made a wonderful difference, and all donations were gratefully received by the local Soup Kitchen, who passed along their sincere thanks to our school community for our support









Spooky Disco Success!

Our Spooky Disco was a fantastic success, and the children had an amazing time enjoying the music, dancing, games, and treats throughout the day. A huge **thank you to our PTA** for organising this wonderful event.

Important Dates



Year 6 High School Application Deadline

The closing date for secondary school applications is 31st October.

If you have any questions that school can help with, please let us know.

Range High School



Key DfE Assessment Dates 2027

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Week beginning Monday 14th June 2027

Year 2 KS1 SATs

LDST schools have decided to complete these in summer 2 alongside other year groups NFER papers

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

Week beginning Monday 7th June 2027

Year 6 KS2 SATs 2027

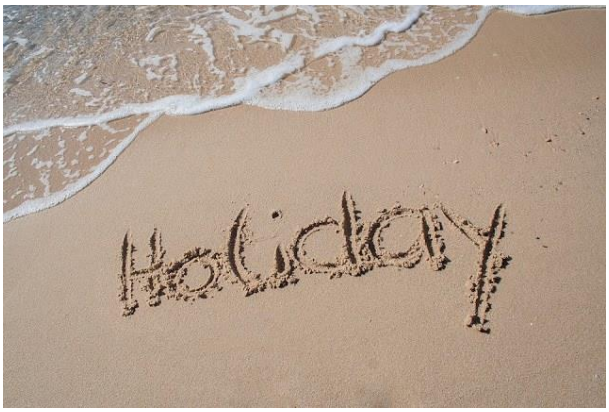
Monday 10th May - Grammar and Punctuation paper, Spelling paper

Tuesday 11th May - Reading

Wednesday 12th May - Maths Arithmetic and Reasoning Paper 1

Thursday 13th May - Maths Reasoning Paper 2

Holy Trinity - School Terms & Holiday Dates 2026 & 2027



Term Dates 2026/27

AUTUMN TERM 2026

Autumn Term 1 ends for children on Friday 23rd October 2026

Autumn Half Term Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October 2026 (inclusive)

Autumn Term 2 commences for children on Monday 2nd November 2026

Autumn Term 2 ends for children on Friday 18th December 2026

SPRING TERM 2027

Spring Term 1 commences for children Monday 4th January 2027

Spring Term 1 end for children on Friday 12th February 2027

Spring Half Term Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February 2027 (inclusive)

Spring Term 2 commences for children on Monday 22nd February 2027

Spring Term 2 ends for children on Thursday 25th March 2027

Bank Holiday Good Friday: 26th March 2027

Bank Holiday Easter Monday: 29th March 2027

SUMMER TERM 2027

Summer Term 1 commences for children on Monday 12th April 2027

Bank Holiday May Day Monday 3rd May 2027

Summer Term 1 ends for children on Friday 28th May 2027

Summer Half Term Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2027 (inclusive)

Summer Term 2 commences for children on Monday 7th June 2027

Summer Term 2 ends for children on Friday 16th July 2027

INSET Days 3, 4, 5 – Monday 19th, Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st July 2027

(195 days in total, including 5 INSET days)

Contact us

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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