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Dear Parents and Carers,

Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health Week 2024 is taking place this week. The theme this year is 'My Voice Matters'. My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. Activities completed in school have encouraged the children to be able to say and believe their voice matters. We have appointed some Y5/6 Well-Being Ambassadors who are being trained by the MHST to lead by example, share ideas and be the voice of their peers. Please find below links to resources that may help you as a parent.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/#resources>

<https://www.annafreud.org/resources/children-and-young-peoples-wellbeing/>

<https://familytoolbox.co.uk/>

Coffee and a Chat – Friday 1st March 2024

We are really excited to invite you to an event to discuss Neurodiverse conditions seen in some of our children. This includes Autistic Spectrum Condition (ASC), ADHD and Developmental Co-ordination Disorder/Dyspraxia.

The event will be attended by a member of the 0-19 school nursing team, who will be available to discuss any difficulties you may be having and to share some helpful advice for managing these conditions.

Mrs Higginson (SENCo) will be there, to share strategies that we use in school to support your children.

We will share with you some useful websites and some helpful information.

Refreshments will be provided, as well as the opportunity to talk to other parents and share tips and ideas.

Your child doesn't need to have a diagnosis, although it is fine if they have. They can already be on one of the referral pathways or you may just have some concerns that your child exhibits signs of one of the above conditions. You are very welcome to join us.

This event will take place on Friday 1st March from 9am, starting with an introductory talk and then an opportunity to get a cuppa and browse some resources, meet the Nurse and catch up with other parents.

Please complete the form to secure a place. <https://forms.gle/29Ra73q9B6Ejcu47>

Coming up after half term ...World Book Day Thursday 7th March 2024

We love reading a Greenleas and so will be celebrating World Book Day to promote the charity's mission to change lives through a love of books and reading.

Dressing up can often be a big part of World Book Day. This year we are aware that the cost-of-living crisis might make this difficult for some families, so we are doing things a bit differently!

Instead of coming in costume, we will be celebrating the theme 'Read Your Way' by:

1. Asking the children to bring in a photograph showing them reading in their favourite place. You can email the school office with your photograph if you prefer.
2. Sending your child's favourite book in with them on the day so that they can share it with their friends.

3. Inviting the children to get cosy and wear their pyjamas instead of their uniform.

On the day your child will be given a £1 book token - simply take it to your nearest bookseller and swap it for a World Book Day £1 book. OR use it to get £1 off ANY book or audiobook costing £2.99 or more.

You can find your nearest bookseller at worldbookday.com/participating-retailers

We're very much looking forward to celebrating World Book Day, which could not happen without your support. Thank you.

Community News

Chinese New Year begins on Saturday 10th February and this year it is the year of the Dragon. In many cultures, Lunar New Year celebrations are some of the most important days of the year. In school, the children will be learning about cultural celebrations, traditional stories, and foods-as well as making links to geography, history and art.

There are many celebrations taking place in Liverpool starting on Friday 9th February-Sunday 11th February. Celebrations include:

- Exciting dragon, lion, and unicorn parades in Chinatown
- Free family workshops including lantern making, candle making and more on Sunday 11 February in Chinatown
- Fairground rides and food/craft stalls in Chinatown
- Live music performances from 11am – 5pm on Sunday 11 February around the Great George Square area
- Colourful dragon floating through the waters at Royal Albert Dock

Please go to the following website for more information:

<https://www.liverpool-one.com/whatson/lunar-new-year-2024/#:~:text=Be%20sure%20to%20join%20us,Sunday%2011%20February%20in%20Chinatown>

Diary Dates 2024 Please check frequently for updates.

February 2024	
9.02.24	F2 wear red for Chinese New Year
w/c 12.02.24	Y5 Bikeability
16.02.24	F2/Y6 walk around local area - mapping
16.02.24	Break up for half term
26.02.24	Term Begins for all
March 2024	
01.03.24	Y6-7 Allocation Day
07.03.24	World Book Day
w/c 11.03.24	POOC Assemblies
20.03.24/21.03.24	Parents' Meetings
28.3.24	End of Spring Term
April 2024	
15.04.24	Summer Term begins for all
May 2024	
7/8.5.23	Y4 Residential Barnstondale
w/c 13.05.24	Y6 SATs
16.05.24	Summer Census Lunch
20.05.24	Class Photographs
w/c 20.05.24	Y6 Bikeability
24.05.24	Half Term
June 2024	
03.06.24	Term begins for all
w/c 03.06.24	Y4 times tables check
w/c 10.06.23	Y1 Phonics Screening check
24.06.24	Y6 Residential
July 2024	
03.07.24	INDUCTION Day
w/c 8.7/15.7.24	Transition meetings for parents dates tbs
19.07.24	End of term for children SDD4/5 22.7.24 and 23.7.24

Warmest Wishes
Mrs Sharon Edwards
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