

# Yew Tree Newsletter



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## RED NOSE DAY

I would like to start this week, by extending extra thanks to all of our Yew Tree families this week. Firstly, to those who brought their children into school wearing something red with their uniforms to join in celebrating Red Nose Day with us today. Every touch of red helps us spread awareness and support for this important cause. Huge thanks too for your chocolate donations towards our Easter Bingo event. They are much appreciated.



Secondly, to all of the families who were able to join us in school at our Community Science show last night. I know from speaking to many of you that it was a real success and enjoyed by adults and children alike.

This event came at the end of what has been a fabulous week of Science at Yew Tree, where we have all been # SMASHING STEREOTYPES. Children across school have been involved in a range of Biology, Physics and Chemistry based activities and had lots of fun exploring some of the different ways scientific understanding has improved the world in which we live now and can help to improve our world, and those we haven't yet explored in the future; supporting all of those animals, including us humans, to live and work together and the endless future possibilities. We've had fun, laughter, explosions, pops and sizzles, as well as a great time with those Curly Wurllys!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs O'Hanlon



## Term Dates

Term dates for the next two school years 2024-25 and 2025-26 have been posted onto our school Class Dojo page today.



Term Date Calendar 2024-25

	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2024	NOVEMBER 2024
Monday	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Tuesday	3 10 17 24 31	8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Wednesday	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Thursday	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Friday	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	8 15 22 29
Saturday	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	9 16 23 30
Sunday	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	10 17 24 31

	DECEMBER 2024	JANUARY 2025	FEBRUARY 2025
Monday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
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	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2025	MAY 2025
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	JUNE 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2025
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School attendance is vital for your child to achieve well academically and thrive socially, so we ask that families work with us to ensure that children are in school and ready to learn each day.

No holidays will be authorised in term time. We hope that the change to October holidays allow families to find cheaper holiday alternatives without removing children from school.

These dates will be available on our website and if you would like a paper copy please request one from our administration/office team.

## Amazing Grace!

In a spectacular showcase of creativity and talent, Liverpool Cathedral, announced the winners of their Stained Glass Windows Designing Competition.

Judges received an overwhelming response with entries pouring in from 872 pupils representing 46 schools across the region.

From these, only two entries were chosen, one Primary school winner and one Secondary school winner.

We're delighted to share that the Primary School winner was our very own

## Grace G in Y6

Grace will visit the Cathedral next week and have the opportunity to meet the artist, Jonathan Cooke and members of the judging panel and receive her winner's certificate. Grace will also be able to inscribe her initials on to some glass which will form part of her design and be part of the cathedral stained glass for many years to come.

Cathedral Architect Mike Darwell, one of the judges for the competition, expressed his delight with the entries, saying, "We thought the two designs were an excellent response to the briefs that were set, to commemorate a single event that took place during the last 100 years or an inspirational person. The attention to detail in the designs and the skill in artistic execution is superb. Both designs were incredibly vibrant, instantly eye catching, and conveying a powerful and relevant message, which is what good stained glass should do."

Grace's winning design is set to be transformed into a stunning stained-glass window, to be displayed in Liverpool Museum's exhibition celebrating Liverpool Cathedral's 2024 Centenary.

This means we will have the opportunity to go and see Grace's final piece of art and I can't wait!

## Well done Grace!

## Congratulations to Anais in Y2!

Last week, Anais G in Y2 performed on stage at the Liverpool Empire Theatre as part of their production of

'Madagascar the Musical'.

You really do DREAMBIG Anais and we're all very proud of you and look forward to seeing your next performance.

**Well done Anais!**



## Swimming Lessons at Volair Halewood

Advanced notice of next term 's lessons -



Alder	4.6.24	14.6.24	8 days
Beech	18.6.24	28.6.24	8 days



Next Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> March, we will once again be joining millions across the world wearing odd socks to celebrate

World Down Syndrome Day 2024.

Get yours ready today !



## Eggciting Easter Competitions

### Easter Bonnets

Every year we have had a whole school Easter Bonnet parade for our youngest members of the school across Early Years and KS1.

If your child is in Acorns (Nursery), Oak (Reception), Fir, Maple, Ash, Birch or Cedar, you are invited to take part in our Annual Easter Bonnet parade and competition on

### Easter Egg Creations

Our KS2 Easter Creations competition is back!

If your child is in Elm, Alder, Beech, Willow or Cedar, you are invited to be as creative as you can with decorating blown eggs to create an eggtraordinary scene.

Here are some examples of previous winners to give you some ideas.

Deadline for both competitions is

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Own Clothes Day

Children in Nursery to Y6 to donate a chocolate Easter egg in support of our family Bingo event



Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Bingo for all families

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Community Film Night

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade

KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – KS2 Easter Eggstravaganza

competition (details to follow)



**Easter**

**Eggstravaganza**

**Events**

### PE Kits

All children are required to wear a full school PE kit to partake in PE lessons or when attending sporting after school clubs. This kit consists of:

- Black pumps
- School logo PE T-Shirt
- Plain navy blue PE shorts
- Blue school jumper
- Plain navy blue joggers or leggings
- Trainers (any colour)



We would like to ask all of our families to help ensure that all children are wearing appropriate PE kit whenever attending school. Children should not be wearing designer or branded items, or football team kits in replacement of school PE kit. Many items of our Yew Tree PE kit is widely available for purchase at many supermarkets and can also be purchased alongside our PE top directly from our uniform supplier at: <https://alphaschoolwear.com/schools/primary-schools/yew-tree-primary-academy/>

## Attendance Winners

Every Friday, we look back at the previous week's attendance, from Thursday to Thursday and our top three classes are celebrated in assembly. This week's top 3 are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Ash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Maple
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Birch

### Sickness Absences:

If your Child is going to be absent from School due to sickness you must inform school, **no later than 9am.**

**0151 477 8950 option 1**

Please leave a message: Childs Full Name -Year Group and reason for Absence.

Date	Event
Tuesday 20th February	School re-opens at usual time Y2 swimming lessons begin
Tuesday 27th February	Y3 swimming lessons begin
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS Reading at Home workshop for families
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Everton in the Community – Children's Mental Health Workshops
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS Maths workshop for families
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Monday 11th March	Science Week – children to participate in activities across the week
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 and 2 Phonics workshop for families
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 and Y3 visit to St Mary's – Easter Experience
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Own Clothes Day – chocolate donation
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 and 2 Reading at Home workshop for families
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Gillmoss Recycling Centre visit to Maple and Beech classes (linked to Science week)
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	3.30 Easter Community Bingo
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	3.30 Community Easter Film Night
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 and 2 Maths Workshop for families
Thursday 28th March	Easter Bonnet Parade EYFS and KS1 Easter Egg-stravaganza Family Competition KS2 School closes for Easter at 1.30pm

### Advanced Notice

SATs week for year 6 will be week beginning 13th May

## Weekly Attendance

Here is our weekly attendance % for each class...

11/03/24-15/03/24

Class	Attendance %
Oak Miss Hanlon	89.1
Fir Mrs Heeley	93.5
Maple Miss Langshaw	99.3
Elm Miss McConnon	92.4
Alder Mrs Sargison	86.4
Beech Mrs Mahar/ Miss Roberts	92.1
Willow Mr McNamara	89.7
Ash Mrs Brady Duck	99.0
Birch Ms Riley	97.8
Cedar Mrs Jones	86.7

This week's attendance is...

92.2%

Attendance for this year so far is...

92.7%

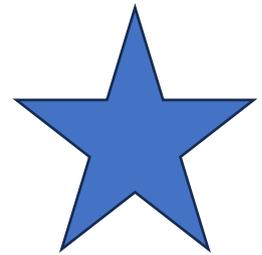


Attendance Matters





Year 1	MJ
Year 2	AG
Year 3	OG
Year 4	EG
Year 5	RV
Year 6	AS
Ash	CK
Birch	ZM
Cedar	MH



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Mr Rushton's Sports Star of the Week...

**Alfie J Yr5**



Modern Foreign Language Star of the Week...

**Ava-Jean Y6**



Mrs Walton's Music Star of the Week...

**Kallum Y5**

