

## Forthcoming Events

2017

### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February:

- Reception visiting Delamere Forest

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February:

- Parents' Night (late)

### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February:

- Spirit of Ursuline nominations
- Parents' Night (early)

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February:

- CAPITAL Equality & Diversity Concert (Atkinson Theatre)
- Children break up for Half-Term Holiday (3.15pm)

### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February:

- INSET Day (school closed for the children)



# Newsletter

3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017

## 'BELIEVE, ACHIEVE, SERVE'

Dear Parent/Carer,

Well done to the school choir and Anne Frank Trust Peer Guides who took part in the Holocaust Memorial Day Commemoration service at Sacred Heart last Friday. We were one of eleven Crosby schools who were present. Our Peer Guides read and our choir concluded the service with a rendition of 'Over the Rainbow'. Mr Dolan wrote a special arrangement of the song, which was sung in Yiddish, in the round with an ancient Hebrew blessing. It was a very moving occasion. As well as the Holocaust, it focussed on other, more recent genocides such as the ones that took place in Cambodia, Rwanda and the Balkans. The message was loud and clear – if we don't learn from our history we risk making the same tragic mistakes again. It was an important step in the children's spiritual, social, moral and cultural development. Also present were Bill Esterson MP, Margaret Carney (Chief Executive of Sefton Council) and Councillor Ian Moncur (Cabinet Member for Health & Wellbeing). They were all full of praise for the children.

Well done to all the Reception children for their excellent behaviour during Monday's medical screening.

Thank you to Mrs Buckley and her team in the kitchen for serving up such delightful food on Wednesday for the Chinese New Year Theme Day.

Congratulations to our Y6 Netball Team who played St Mary's the Mount last night. They played brilliantly and won both games (6-2 and 4-3). Thanks to Miss Kelly for preparing them so well and to the parents who gave their support.

Well done to Y3 for their outstanding Candlemas service this afternoon, which they performed for their parents at St Helen's Church. In some traditions this marks the end of the Christmas season. Christmas may seem like it was a very long time ago, but today's service reminds us of the need to keep the spirit of peace and goodwill all year round.

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at next week's Parents' nights.

After all the positive news above I'm sorry to end on a negative note. We have received a complaint from a resident of the Knowles complex, on Blundellsands Road West, about a vehicle which was parked on her driveway (blocking residents' access to and from the complex). When she asked the driver to not park there in future she was apparently met with verbal abuse. This is intolerable and does untold damage to the school's reputation, which it has taken generations to build. If there are any complaints like this in the future I will hand the driver's details over to the police.

## REMINDERS

- Please do not park on or stop at the yellow zig-zags during the times stated on the road side sign. It is both dangerous and irresponsible.

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Improved Presentation Award;

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