



**'Laying the Foundations for Life'**  
**Newsletter no. 8**

OFSTED 2019: *Pupils' attendance and punctuality are excellent. The atmosphere around the school is calm and purposeful. Pupils ... are polite and well-mannered.*

Spring Term 2020

**Starts:** Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> January

**Half term holiday:** Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> February to Friday, 21st February

**Term ends:** Friday, 3rd April

**Easter Holidays:** Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> April to Friday, 17th April

Summer Term 2020

**Starts:** Monday, 20th April

**VE Anniversary/Bank Holiday:** Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May

**Staff Training Day:** Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May (School closed)

**Half Term holiday:** Monday, 25th May to Friday, 29th May

**Term Ends:** Friday, 17th July

**Staff Training Day:** Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> July (School closed)

Dear Parents,



**Happy New Year!**



We hope everyone enjoyed lots of family time over the festive season!

**New Year Delights! Children's favourites for lunch next week, Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> January.**

**Free for all – our treat!**

The children have made a fabulous start to the Spring Term 2020! They are busy studying their new topics and we hope the Parent Information Topic Cards will help you to support your children's learning at school – look out for them coming soon! **Please help your child to learn their times table and their weekly spellings too – these basic skills support their progress in English and Maths.**

**School community events coming soon ...**

- ✓ NSPCC Number Day Friday, 7th February
- ✓ Safer Internet Day Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> February
- ✓ World Book Day Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> March
- ✓ Lifesavers Savings Accounts for KS1 children launch January 2020.



Look out for information coming soon!

## Year 6 Reading Mentor Programme

To ensure our children read fluently, develop excellent comprehension skills, reach the new higher standard for Primary children every child in Year 6 will be invited to attend our Reading Mentoring Programme which will start **Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> January**.

Every Monday the children will meet with their Reading Mentor after school, 3.15pm – 3.45pm and read together tackling new vocabulary and topics. It is essential that the children read at home with an adult or older brother or sister too so they can practise and secure the skills learnt in school. Please help your child to fulfill their potential and **read together every night**.

**Class teachers across the school are Reading Mentors so it is very important that children are collected promptly at 3.15pm each Monday from every class so that the Reading Mentoring programme can start immediately after school. Thank you for your support.**

Our **tutoring programme** also takes place after school to help children to become more confident and tackle any areas that they may find tricky. Families will be contacted individually with information regarding tutoring.

## Attendance

We were so close to achieving our attendance target of 97% last term. We achieved **96.4%**. Fabulous efforts by everyone! We are now seeking the Liverpool Attendance Quality Mark in recognition of everyone's great efforts to come to school every day.



## Punctuality!

Don't forget punctuality is very important as well. Please ensure your child arrives on time at 8.55am. Thank you!

## Stockton Wood Way – Be the Best!

Thank you for ensuring your child wears our school uniform and school shoes every day. They look so smart. We are very proud and believe they are the smartest children in Speke!

## SEAL KS1 and KS2 Parent Assembly

We would like to invite Y1 – Y6 parents to our next S.E.A.L. assembly on **Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> February** at 9.15am. The theme is **'Getting on and Falling Out!'** The children will share their ideas about how they use restorative practice to make our school a happy, safe place.

## Finally... a little news!

I have recently married – over the Christmas break! As a result I have changed my name and will now be known as **Mrs. Price!** Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

S.E.Price

Head teacher

