



# Monksdown Mail

Where Children Come First

Designated Safeguarding Leads :

Mrs Russell and  
Mrs Stewart  
Deputy-Mrs Price



Friday 24th April 2026

Dear Families of Monksdown

On Wednesday, we joined schools and organisations across the country in celebrating Local History Day. It was a pleasure to welcome families from our school community to our very own "Monksdown Antiques Roadshow", where children had the opportunity to explore history through shared memories, stories and treasured items from the past. The event helped bring learning to life, sparking curiosity and meaningful conversations between children, staff and visitors as they discovered more about the past.

Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to making the day so special. We are very grateful for your support and we look forward to repeating this successful event in the future.

Mrs Price



## ★ Our Stars ★

Nur	Lucas Cui
R1	Benjamin Powell Cheung
R2	Cody Simons
R3	Marinos Gerolemou
1.1	Joem Nyangena
1.2	Carter Lowndes-Nurse
1.3	Sofia O'Connell
2.1	Jordon Sherlock
2.2	Vienna Hernandez Siles
2.3	Frankie Rankin
3.1	Cody Browne
3.2	Hallie Dainty
3.3	Jack Madigan
4.1	Danny Ledden
4.2	Euan Prescott
4.3	Noah Farron
5.1	Nathan Jonikas
5.2	Ignacy Wierszyllowski
5.3	Jessica Wilson
6.1	Christopher Smith
6.2	Jesse Parker
6.3	Elizabeth Sikipa

### Dates for the diary

**Friday 1st April**

Year 6 boys football final

**Monday 4th May**

May Bank Holiday - school closed

**Week beginning 11th May**

**- 15th May**

Year 6 SATS

## Earth Day

This week marked Earth Day and to celebrate the Eco Team came together to plant trees around parts of the staff car park. The new planting will form a natural hedge, helping to enhance the space while supporting local biodiversity.



## Fury from Gladiators

A group of girls attended a live event to meet Fury from *Gladiators*, where she spoke about her journey in sport. She discussed her experiences growing up as a girl in sport, highlighting the importance of resilience, confidence and hard work. Fury also emphasised the pride she feels in representing women on *Gladiators* and inspiring others to believe in their abilities.



## Attendance

Here are the attendance and punctuality winners for the week 13th April to 16th April 2026.

### Best punctuality

KS1 – 2.1 - 1 late

KS2 – 3.2 – 1 late

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	KS1 – 2.2	KS 1- 2.1	KS1 – 1.3
	KS2 – 4.2	KS2 – 3.2	KS2 – 3.1 and 5.2

## Year 4 Showcases

Thank you to all the grownups that attended the Year 4 showcase this week, where pupils were eager to share their learning and achievements. The children spoke confidently about their work and clearly took pride in what they had accomplished. It was a wonderful event that highlighted both their enthusiasm and the progress they have made. Well done Year 4!



## Upcoming Class Showcases Dates

Month	Year group	Date
May	Y1	1.1 Wednesday 6th May, 1.2 Thursday 7th May, 1.3 Friday 8th May
June	Y5	5.2 Wednesday 17th June, 5.3 Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June, 5.1 Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June

## Sefton Palmhouse Event

This week, we welcomed Angelica from the Sefton Park Palm House to school to help us begin an exciting new project. We have been invited to create a flower display for the Palm House that represents our school, unity, and the right to be yourself. The children shared thoughtful ideas about showing the strength and struggles that can exist behind things that look perfect. We are currently in the planning stages, and the finished display will be exhibited at the Palm House throughout June.



## Nuts in school

Several children in our school have serious nut allergies, and even a small trace can cause a severe reaction. That's why we ask everyone to avoid sending in items like peanut butter, cereal bars with nuts, or homemade treats that might contain them.

It's a small change that makes a big difference in keeping all our children safe and well. We know how much care goes into preparing your child's lunch each day, and we really appreciate your support in helping us create a safe and inclusive environment.











## Parent Pod

We're really pleased to share that our Parent Pod is now up and running in the large playground at the front of school! This cosy little space is there for families to pop by, connect, and make use of some helpful resources, including our uniform recycle rail, lovingly looked after each week by the wonderful Mrs Prescott. She keeps everything neat, fresh, and ready to go, so if your child needs a spare jumper, trousers, or even a PE top, please feel free to take what you need. No forms, no fuss, just a helping hand when you need it. Using the uniform recycle isn't just practical, it's also a great way to support the environment. By reusing good-quality clothing, we're helping to reduce waste and avoid sending perfectly wearable items to landfill. It's a small step that makes a big difference, and we're proud to be building a more sustainable school community together. Thank you for your support, and do stop by the Parent Pod next time you're on the playground!






# School Lunch Menu

w/c 27 <sup>th</sup> April		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>SOUP</b>	Chef Choice	Tomato & Basil	Broccoli & Cheddar	Roasted Pepper	Chinese Sweetcorn
<b>HOT MAINS</b>	Quorn Mince Cottage Pie with Baby Carrots 	Jewel's Chicken Karahi with Wholegrain Rice & Green Beans	Macaroni Cheese topped with Chilli Con Carne	Ham Roast Dinner with Roasted New Potatoes & Cauliflower Cheese	Fish Fingers or Tandoori Salmon  with Chips & Garden Peas
	Broccoli & Cream Cheese Pasta Bake 	Cherry Tomato Quiche 	West African Jollof Rice 	Vegan Ravioli in Homemade Tomato Sauce with Crusty Bread 	Veggie Sausage Roll with Chips & Garden Peas 
<b>CHEF SPECIAL</b>	Ask Chef about todays special!				
<b>DESSERT</b>	Fresh Fruit Salad	Scones	Sponge Cake Topped with Jam & Whipped Cream	Apple Turnovers	Cheese & Crackers



**Available Daily:** Jacket potatoes with tuna, cheese or beans, salad, hummus, fresh fruit and yoghurt

Please speak to a member of staff about dietary requirements. All menus are checked by a nutritionist and adhere to School Food Standards.




-  Vegetarian
-  Vegan
-  Oily fish

w/c 4 <sup>th</sup> May		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>SOUP</b>	Bank Holiday	Pea Soup	Red Pepper Soup	Pea Soup	Chef Choice
<b>HOT MAINS</b>	Bank Holiday	Meat Free Spaghetti Bolognese with Salad 	Chef Daniel's Beef & Bean Quesadillas	Chef Bonnie's Sunshine Pasta	Homemade Battered Fish with Chips & Peas
	Bank Holiday	Puy Lentil Shepherds Pie with Baby Carrots 	Vegetable & Rice Enchiladas with Salad 	Spanish Omelette with Salad 	Veggie Sausage Rolls with Chips & Peas 
<b>CHEF SPECIAL</b>	Ask Chef about todays special!				
<b>DESSERT</b>	Bank Holiday	German Apple Cake	Sticky Toffee Pudding	Fresh Fruit Salad	Rich 'Chocolate' Cookies



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## Online Payments

Dinners can be paid for via School Money online.

If you have not received your log in details please contact the school office where we will be happy to help.

## Snacks and Drinks

Children in KS2 (Years 3—6) may bring a **HEALTHY** snack to eat at break time. This should not include crisps, sweets or chocolate.

Some suggestions:

- Fresh Fruit or Dried Fruit
- Low Sugar cereal bars that are not chocolate coated
- Crackers
- Vegetable sticks

We encourage children to drink water in school. If your child cannot drink water then a sugar free juice may be brought into school. Energy drinks such as Prime and Lucozade are not permitted.

Children in Early Years (Reception) and KS1 (Years 1-2) are provided with milk and fruit free of charge.



HELP  
ADVICE  
SUPPORT

Liverpool City Council

Need advice, information or support?

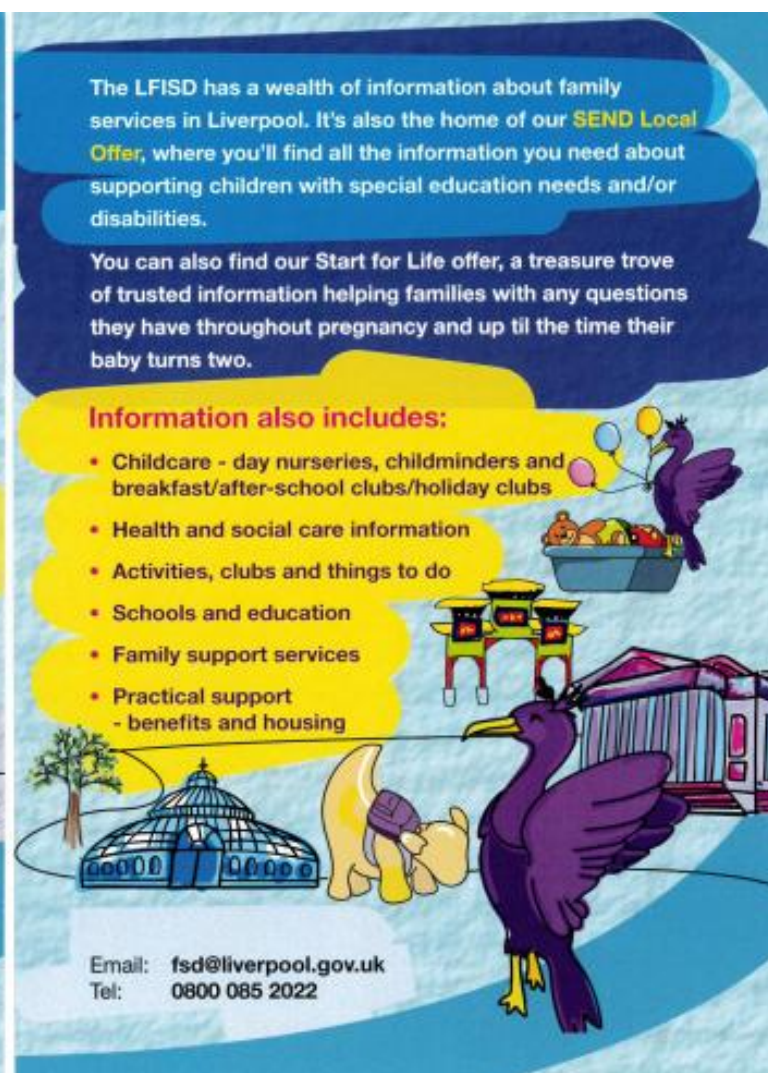
**Liverpool Family Information and SEND Directory (LFISD)**

Visit the SEND Local Offer

Scan here

Visit [fsd.liverpool.gov.uk](http://fsd.liverpool.gov.uk)

The poster features a purple bird character, a yellow dog, and a pink pig. In the background, there are illustrations of Liverpool landmarks like the Royal Liver Building and the Mersey Tower. A QR code is located at the bottom right of the poster.



The LFISD has a wealth of information about family services in Liverpool. It's also the home of our **SEND Local Offer**, where you'll find all the information you need about supporting children with special education needs and/or disabilities.

You can also find our Start for Life offer, a treasure trove of trusted information helping families with any questions they have throughout pregnancy and up til the time their baby turns two.

**Information also includes:**

- Childcare - day nurseries, childminders and breakfast/after-school clubs/holiday clubs
- Health and social care information
- Activities, clubs and things to do
- Schools and education
- Family support services
- Practical support - benefits and housing

Email: [fsd@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:fsd@liverpool.gov.uk)  
Tel: 0800 085 2022

The poster includes illustrations of a purple bird, a yellow dog, a pink pig, a basket of fruit, a playground, and a building with a glass dome.



AutismInitiatives



# OSSME Parent Support: Sensory Processing and Strategy Support

## HOW: IN PERSON

**When:** Friday 1st May 2026, 10:30am to 12:30pm

**Where:** Autism Initiatives, Sefton House, Bridle Road, Bootle, L30 4XR.

## HOW: ONLINE

For those who cannot attend in the daytime on Friday:

**When:** Thursday 30th April 2026, 6:00pm to 7:30pm

**Where:** Online via TEAMS

To book your place please email:

[emma.tully@autisminitiatives.org](mailto:emma.tully@autisminitiatives.org)

THIS  
COURSE IS  
FREE

## PLEASE NOTE

When emailing to reserve your place, it is important to provide:

- your full name
- the age of your child
- the educational setting your child attends
- whether you wish to attend in person or via Zoom
- the date of the session you wish to attend

# Beautiful New Beginnings 2026 weekly Timetable



## Monday

### Antenatal Course

Liverpool, West Derby St Mary's  
Millennium Centre 19:00-20:30  
6 week course, restarting each month

### Forest School Little Wood

Liverpool, L28 4ED, Hollow Croft,  
10:00 - 11:30  
Fully funded weekly sessions, ages 0-5

## Tuesday

### Forest School Norris Green

Liverpool, Norris Green Park, Lorenzo  
Dr, L11 1BQ, 10:00 - 11:30  
Fully funded weekly sessions, ages 0-5

### Forest School Karonga

Karonga Gardens, Karonca Way,  
Fazakerley, L10 9LL, 13:00-14:30  
Weekly Sessions

### Wellbeing Warrior's

Liverpool, West Derby, St Mary's  
Millennium Centre  
Different sessions (5 times) each week  
for adults and children, donation based

## Wednesday

### Forest School Tower Hill (Eco-Therapy Garden)

Liverpool, Kirkby, Liverpool L33 1XT  
Session 1: 10:00 - 11:30  
Session 2: 12:00 - 13:30  
Fully funded weekly sessions, ages 0-5

### Baby Massage

Liverpool, West Derby St Mary's  
Millennium Centre 12:30 - 14:00  
Fully funded weekly sessions

## Thursday

### Stay and Play Rainhill

Rainhill Village Hall, Dane Court, Rainhill,  
Prescot L35 4LU 09:00 - 11:00  
No need to book, drop in sessions

### Forest School Carr Lane

Carr Lane Woods meet KGV Playing Fields,  
Carr Ln, Prescot L34 1LU, 10:00-11:30  
Weekly Sessions

### Stay and Play Prescot

Sylvia Gore Pavilion -KGV PLAYING  
FIELD, Longview Ln, Huyton,  
Liverpool L36 7UN 13:00-14:30  
Weekly sessions

### Water Wellbeing and Paddle Board

Dixons Broadgreen High School,  
Queens Dr, Liverpool L13 5UQ  
Girls aged 10-17

## Friday

### Forest School Court Farm Woods

Tavington Rd, Halewood, Liverpool L26 6BA  
Session 1: 10:00 - 11:30  
Session 2: 12:00 - 13:30  
Fully funded weekly sessions, ages 0-5

### Stay and Play West Derby

Liverpool, West Derby St Mary's  
Millennium Centre 13:00 - 14:30  
No need to book, drop in sessions

## Saturday

### Children's Water Wellbeing

Dixons Broadgreen High School Pool,  
Queens Dr, Liverpool L13 5UQ  
Boys and girls aged 7-13

Join us!

# River

Liverpool Drug & Alcohol Support Services

*You Are Not Alone.*

**River Drug & Alcohol Support will be holding a fortnightly Drop-In Clinic on a Monday at Clubmoor Children's Centre from 12:30pm to 4:30pm.**

They will be offering full assessments for anyone ready to enter the service, as well as referrals if you don't have time for an assessment on the day. The team will provide harm reduction advice. Plus they can also signpost you to other services to ensure you get the support you need.

**Start Your Healing Journey Today.**



**Clubmoor & Croxteth  
Children's Centre Contact  
Number: 0151 233 8500**



# SEND

**Tuesday  
28th April**

## COFFEE EVENING

**DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE ADDITIONAL  
NEEDS OR AWAITING DIAGNOSIS?**

**WOULD YOU BENEFIT FROM  
CHATTING TO OTHER PARENTS IN A  
SIMILAR SITUATION?**

**WOULD IT BE HELPFUL TO GAIN  
HINTS & TIPS FROM OTHERS WITH  
SEND EXPERIENCE?**

**BOOK NOW!!**



**ST MARY'S MILLENNIUM CENTRE  
(MIDDLE ROOM), WEST DERBY, L12 5EA  
7PM-9PM  
BOOK VIA LINK IN BIO**