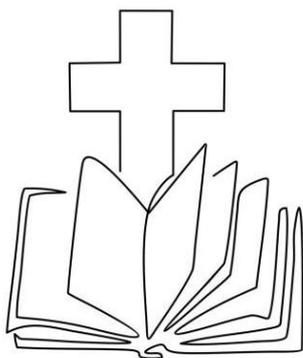




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GOSPEL VALUE OF THE WEEK

HOPE

LISTEN

to the Word of God

Be Ready & Alert

“Be on watch, be alert, for you do not know when the time will come. It will be like a man who goes away from home on a trip and leaves his servants in charge, after giving to each one his own work to do and after telling the doorkeeper to keep watch. Watch, then, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming—it might be in the evening or at midnight or before dawn or at sunrise. If he comes suddenly, he must not find you asleep. What I say to you, then, I say to all: Watch!”

Mark 13:33–37

RESPOND

to the Word of God

As we reflect, give thought to:

- ♥ What are some ways we can show God we are trying to follow him every day?
- ♥ Why do you think Jesus wants us to be alert and pay attention in our lives?
- ♥ What helps you remember to do what is right, even when no one is watching?

GO FORTH

with a mission from the Word of God

This week, go forth and...

Be a “watchful helper” for Jesus.

Look for one moment each day when you can show love. Remember, each time you do, you are staying ready for Jesus and shining his light in the world.



We are delighted to celebrate the personal achievements of our children this week! Each of these stars has been carefully chosen by their teachers for a variety of reasons—whether it’s demonstrating outstanding behaviour, producing an excellent piece of work, mastering a tricky concept, showing kindness to others, or going above and beyond in so many ways.

In all they do, these children are shining examples of our school motto: “*Only my best will do. Be kind to one another.*” Through their efforts and actions, they live out our Catholic values each day, inspiring those around them. As Pope Francis reminds us, “*Each of us is a masterpiece of God’s creation.*”

Well done to all our shining stars!

CLASS	STAR OF THE WEEK
Nursery	Rere
Reception	Wisdom
Year 1	Aoife
Year 2	Skylah
Year 3	Lucy
Year 4	Hoor
Year 5	Teddy
Year 6	Mischa

	NAME
	Ellie
	CLASS
	Year 6



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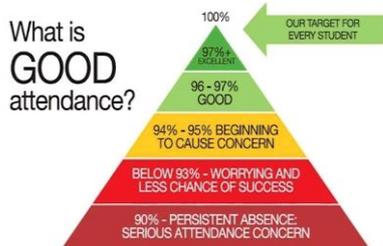
ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

The national expectation for attendance is **97%** and above, but at our school, we aim even higher!

Guided by our values of care and responsibility, we monitor attendance and punctuality every day, working together as a school community to support our children in being present and engaged.

By attending school regularly, our children can make the most of every learning opportunity and flourish in their talents and abilities.

	Weekly Attendance	Punctuality (Lates)	Attendance to date
Reception	94.7%	10	96.1%
Year 1	93.3%	7	93.5%
Year 2	96.7%	13	93.4%
Year 3	89.3%	1	96.4%
Year 4	89.0%	16	96.8%
Year 5	92.6%	14	92.2%
Year 6	95.7%	13	95.6%
Total	93.0%	74	94.8%



AUTUMN 2

CLASS OF THE WEEK – ATTENDANCE STARS

	R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Week 1				★			
Week 2					★		
Week 3					★		
Week 4			★				
Week 5							
Week 6							
Week 7							
Week 8							

HOUSE POINTS

"None of us, including me, ever do great things. But we can all do small things with great love, and together we can do something wonderful."

St Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa)

Every child from Nursery to Year 6 has been assigned to one of our four houses:

St George, St Margaret, St David, or St Brigid. Children can earn house points for going above and beyond, especially when they demonstrate our Gospel values:

Be Ready to Learn → Diligence

Be Resilient → Courage / Perseverance

Be Respectful → Respect

Be Responsible → Responsibility

Each week, points are totalled, and the winning house enjoys an extra playtime. The house with the highest total at the end of the half term will celebrate with a special afternoon celebration.

THIS WEEK'S WINNING HOUSE IS...

ST GEORGE

AUTUMN 2

	St George	St Margaret	St David	St Brigid
Week 1			🏆	
Week 2				🏆
Week 3			🏆	
Week 4	🏆			
Week 5				
Week 6				
Week 7				
Week 8				
TERM TOTAL POINTS	346	392	423	403



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SCHOOL WEBSITE

www.stsebastiansliverpool.co.uk

Please visit our school website for upcoming calendar events, the latest school updates, curriculum information, statutory documents and much more!

To ensure the safety and privacy of our pupils, photographs and stories celebrating their achievements will be shared directly with parents | carers through our secure school APP: Class DoJo. This approach allows us to keep families updated while maintaining appropriate safeguarding measures.

PE DAYS – AUTUMN TERM

Please see below your child's PE days. PE kits and appropriate footwear (trainers or pumps) must be worn on these days.

	M	T	W	TH	F
R					
Y1					
Y2					
Y3					
Y4					
Y5					
Y6					

PARENT | SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

ClassDojo is for parents | guardians to keep up to date with what's going on in school and it allows you to contact class teachers directly. However, please be mindful that that staff are teaching throughout the school day.

**Staff are only contactable during school hours:
Monday – Friday: 8.30am – 5.00pm.**

Any queries | messages sent will be answered within 48hours

Please note: ClassDojo is not to be used as a tool to share your concerns. At St Sebastian's, face-to-face meetings are the preferred method in order to alleviate any concerns, resolve any issues and ensure that messages are not misinterpreted.

Should you wish to speak with teachers or senior leadership team directly regarding concerns etc, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.



MRS MCCORMICK'S CELEBRATION SHOUT-OUTS

"Fill your minds with those things that are good and that deserve praise: things that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely, and honourable." - Philippians 4:8

Each week, I love to take a moment to celebrate and give a little shout-outs to children, staff or classes who have really shone this week. It might be for showing kindness, living out our school motto, working hard in their learning, being a brilliant team member, or simply making a positive difference in our school community. It's such a pleasure to recognise the efforts and kindness that make our school a special place.

FAITH IN ACTION

This week, our Year 6 children began working towards the Faith in Action Award. Led by Anne Casey, a parishioner of St Sebastian's, they had a great first session and were full of thoughtful ideas about how they can put their faith into action both in school and in our wider community. Over the coming weeks, they will take part in reflections, journaling and acts of service as they grow in confidence and deepen their relationship with God.

Y1 & Y2 INDOOR ATHLETICS TEAM

Well done to the children who represented our school in the KS1 Mixed Athletics event on Monday. Although some of the team felt a little nervous beforehand, staff shared how brilliantly they performed, showing confidence and enthusiasm in every event. They had a great time taking part & we look forward to entering more competitions in the future!

Y4 MONTHLY MASS

Our Year 4 class attended St Sebastian's monthly Mass on Tuesday and we received very positive feedback from Fr Liam. He shared how the children's presence has helped to increase parish participation, creating a warm and uplifting atmosphere. Well done to Year 4 for representing our school so beautifully.



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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

"Encourage one another and help one another, just as you are now doing." – 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Our school is a hive of activity, with every class busy learning, exploring and growing together.

Each week, we share highlights from every class – this could be linked to exciting learning in a particular subject, positive behaviour, teamwork, kindness, creativity or a special achievement that the children are proud of. Take a look below to see what has made each class shine this week!

NURSERY

Ms Alderton & Ms Williams

This week, Nursery began their exciting new topic on Light and Dark! The children learned all about the sun and the moon and explored how they help us understand daytime and night-time. They were also introduced to nocturnal animals, discovering which creatures come out at night and how they use their senses to explore the dark.

RECEPTION

Mrs Brewerton & Mrs Reynolds

This week, Reception have continued their Nativity practice with us beginning to learn our lines and performing nativity songs. We have all worked so hard and can't wait to perform our nativity for our grown-ups! We have also begun to explore 2D and 3D shapes in maths using concrete resources to spot the different properties and out shapes.

YEAR 1

Ms Tabone & Ms Chan

We have loved being Maths superstars this week! We have finished our addition topic and moved on to subtraction. On Thursday & Friday we played lots of maths games to work out how to find out how to take away | subtract. We ended the week in the best way possible and came to school wearing our comfy PJs!

YEAR 2

Mrs Rabbette, Ms Perez & Ms McKeown

This week we took our science lesson outside to see what microhabitats and minibeasts we could find. We found minibeasts such as worms, spiders and ladybugs hiding in the Woodlands!

In music we had lots of fun learning how to play the Glockenspiel along to our song Hands, Feet, Heart.

YEAR 3

Mrs Fitchett-Sabbagh, Mrs Oyewale & Ms Conway

We have had another fun and busy week in Year 3! We finished writing our Fable Narratives and have begun our new topic: Information Reports. We are very excited to start researching everything about foxes.

We also loved coming to school in our Christmas pyjamas today and are looking forward to spreading even more Christmas joy in the coming weeks!

YEAR 4

Mrs Cooney & Ms Bullen

We have had another great week. We really enjoyed our workshop Money Matters. Here we explored the history of money and designed our own coin, which we are sending off to get made into a badge. We should be very proud of our singing here in Year 4, such super performers!

YEAR 5

Ms Rozycka, Mrs L McCormick, Mrs Maguire & Mrs Xhafa

This week, we contributed to our celebration of the Rosary by adding our own beautifully written prayers. We also finished reading the whole book FA^RTHER and finally discovered the ending! To finish the week, we loved coming into school in our cosy PJs for our Christmas fundraising day.

YEAR 6

Ms Kaur & Ms Doyle

Year 6 has had a brilliant week finishing off our Flashback Narratives! We completed our Water Safety session by swimming in our pyjamas which was so fun! For DT next week, we have made our design brief and method to cook Scouse for our Great British Dishes topic! A highlight for some of us has been wearing our festive pyjamas to school today and donating chocolates and treats!