# Irby Primary School

Inspiring Pupils Successfully



NEWSLETTER
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## HALLOWEEN DISCOS

The children thoroughly enjoyed our two discos earlier this week and we must thank the PIPS Committee, all of the volunteers and the staff who have their time and effort to make the evening such good fun and run so smoothly. Well done to all concerned.

## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Through PSHE lessons we explore the types of bullying, its effects, prevention and how children can ask for help. On 13/11/23 we start with Odd Socks Day when we celebrate our uniqueness.

#### READING CHALLENGE

A huge thank you for all of your support with children's reading. With Red Class still in training we have Y1-6 achieving an average of around 150 reads per class per week.

We have some incredibly enthusiastic readers in each class and we celebrate this on a regular basis. This half term we will be encouraging those children who are reluctant readers to read more frequently and ensure their reading book and log is in school everyday.

WELL DONE CHILDREN (AND PARENTS) AND KEEP UP THE GREAT EFFORT!

## CURRICULUM

The History or Geography focus for the Spring 1 half term is as below:

Red Class - Light and Dark

- Y1 The Space Race
- **Y2 Victorian Transport**
- Y3 Ancient Egypt
- **Y4** The Slave Trade
- **Y5** The Saxons
- Y6 WW2: The Battle of

#### Britain

Please reference the school website for more information.

# MR FONTAINE

I am delighted to inform you that Mr Fontaine's second child was born recently and both mum and baby Millie are doing very well. I am sure you will join me in wishing Mr Fontaine and his young family every health and happiness for the future.

#### OPERATION ENCOMPASS

Operation Encompass is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and all police forces.

Operation Encompass means that our school will be told, before the start of the next school day, when police have attended an incident of domestic abuse where there is a child from our school who is related to anyone involved in the incident.

This allows us as a school to use information shared confidentially by the police, to understand how any child may be impacted by domestic abuse and how we can best support the child or children.

Operation Encompass enables school to provide the very best support possible to all of our pupils.

## PRIMARY ADMISSIONS 2024/25

If you have a child due to start school in September 2024 please ensure you have submitted the Primary Admissions form by 15.1.24. You can apply online at <a href="https://www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions">www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions</a>

## FOUNDATION 2 ADMISSIONS 2024/25

We are now holding Parent Lookarounds for those parents who have children starting school next September.

If you are interested in visiting the school please contact the school office to book an appointment and we look forward to welcoming you to our community.

### **SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

The highest attendance this year to the end of the last week of last half term (16/10/23) was:

YEAR 6 with 97.29%

A huge well done to everyone in Year 6 and all of the other classes who were very close.

# **DATES 2023/24**

School closes 22.12.23

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY INSET DAY 8.01.24

School opens 09.01.24 School closes 16.02.24

HALF TERM

School opens 26.02.24 School closes 28.03.24

EASTER HOLIDAY
INSET DAY 15/04/24

School opens 16/04/24 School closes 24/05/24

HALF TERM
INSET 03/06/24

School opens 04/06/24 School closes 23/07/24

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

29/11/23 Christmas Market 1/12/23 Christmas Jumper Day 5/12/23 5.30pm F2-Y2 Christmas Story

11/12/23 Nativity Dress Rehearsal

12/12/23 2pm KS1 Nativity 12/12/23 5.30pm Full Governing

Body Meeting 13/12/23 School Christmas Dinner

13/12/23 6pm KS1 Nativity 14/12/23 Whole School Panto

15/12/23 1pm Christmas Fair 18/12/23 2.30pm KS1 Santa Skype

19/12/23 1pm KS1 Christmas Party

22/12/23 9.15am Christmas Assembly

22/12/23 2.00pm Christmas Sing A Long

Please check the calendar <a href="https://www.irbyprimary.com">www.irbyprimary.com</a> for further information and dates.