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# Weekly Newsletter

**Friday 20th May 2022**

**We will no longer be staggering drop off and pick up times.**  
**Your child can come in to school from 8.30 for breakfast club.**  
**School starts at 8.55am and school finishes at 3.10pm.**



## PARENTS EVENING



**Monday 23rd May - Apple, Blossom, Redwood Classes**

**Tuesday 24th May - Maple, Chestnut, Holly, Rowan Classes**

**Wednesday 25th May - Juniper, Sycamore, Mulberry Classes**

**Letters have been sent home with your allocated 15 minute time slot.**

### FRIENDSHIP AWARD

The pupils and staff are identifying acts of kindness throughout the school.

This weeks award goes to:

Blossom: Ariella  
 Apple: Bella  
 Juniper: James  
 Maple: Sophia  
 Willow : Teddy  
 Holly: Sam  
 Chestnut: Anthony  
 Sycamore: Joseph  
 Mulberry : Charlie  
 Redwood: Robert  
 Rowan : Gerard



### SHARE SESSION

**THE NEXT SHARE SESSION will be Friday 27th May 9.15-10.15am**

Please feel free to pop in and say hello to Mrs Brown who will be available to chat. The focus this week will be around Parent Wellbeing, if you would just like to drop by for a hot drink and a chat, it would be lovely to see you.

**Well done to classes:- MAPLE & ROWAN**

**who have achieved 100% attendance this week!**

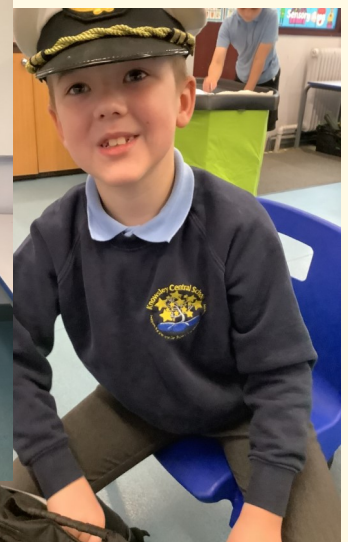
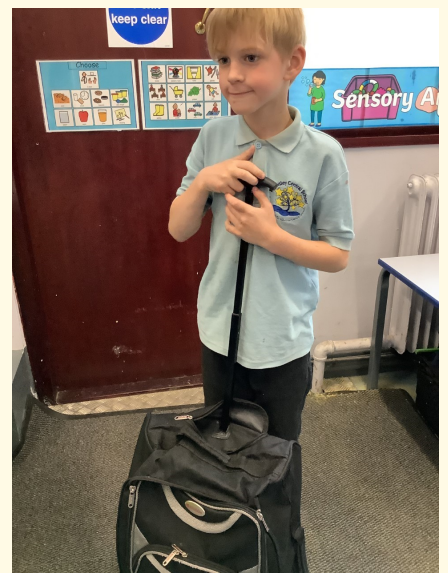
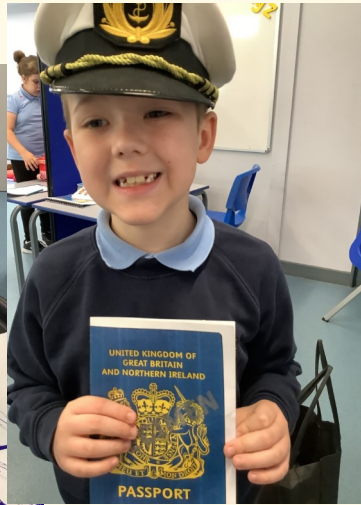
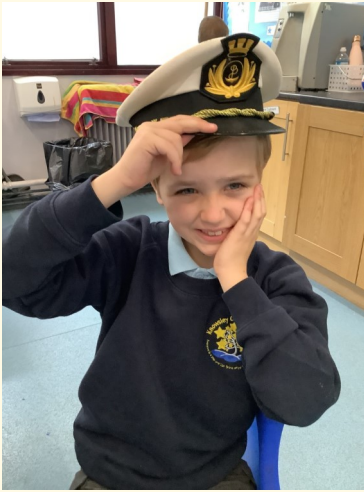


This Weeks Attendance	%
Blossom	96.0
Apple	90.0
Maple	100.0
Juniper	88.9
Willow	93.0
Holly	84.0
Chestnut	92.0
Sycamore	90.0
Mulberry	96.7
Redwood	92.2
Rowan	100.0
Whole School	92.8

# CLASS OF THE WEEK

## CLASS JUNIPER

Class Juniper have really enjoyed our Spanish themed say and play day. We made our own passports, packed our suitcases and pretended to travel on a plane to Spain!







# Queens Jubilee Garden Party

## to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

### Friday 27th May 1.15pm

Staff and pupils at Knowsley Central would like to invite you along to join our garden party next Friday 27th May, parents can arrive at school from 1.15pm to enjoy a cream tea on the lawn.

We will have our very own Jubilee procession where the children will be parading with their own individually designed crowns, followed by activities such as face painting, games on the lawn, and other various activities.

There will also be a cake sale to raise money for the British Red Cross.





## **Knowsley Central School achieve SCHOOL GAMES PLATINUM SPORTS STATUS!**



We are delighted to announce that we, Knowsley Central School, have achieved the School Games PLATINUM Mark Award for the 2021/22 academic year. After 5 successive GOLD awards, we are proud to be one of only a few schools in Merseyside to achieve the prestigious platinum.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

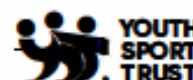
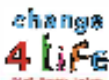
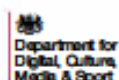
Our sporting achievements this year include:

- Improving the quality of sports and recreational facilities around all areas of the school
- Increasing the opportunities for pupils to take part in intra and inter school competitions in numerous sports including: Football, Dodgeball, Swimming, Athletics, Ten pin bowling, Boccia and New Aged-Kurling
- Winning the Merseyside Boccia championships and going on to finish runners up in the North-West finals
- Winning 25 medals at the Merseyside Athletics Championships
- Increasing the amount of sessions out of school in Cycling, swimming and Soft-Play

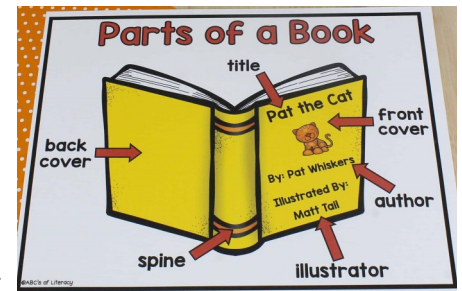
With a total of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to all the pupils for their hard work and effort in PE and school sport, all the teachers for their time and dedication in providing all of the opportunities and SLT for supporting the growth of school sport over the last 6 years.



# The Reading Corner: Print Awareness



Print awareness (also called concepts of print) is the understanding that print carries meaning, that books contain letters and words. Print awareness also includes an understanding of what books are used for and how a book "works" — how to turn pages, how to find the top and bottom of a page, and how to identify the title and the front and back covers.

Print awareness is a child's earliest introduction to literacy. Children with print awareness understand that print has different functions depending on the context in which it appears — for example, menus list food choices, a book tells a story, a sign can announce a favourite restaurant or warn of danger. Print awareness is understanding that print is organized in a particular way — for example, knowing that print is read from left to right and top to bottom. It is knowing that words consist of letters and that spaces appear between words. The ability to understand how print works does not emerge magically and unaided. This understanding comes about through the active intervention of adults and other children who point out letters, words, and other features of the print that surrounds children. Therefore parents can have a big part to play in developing and assisting print awareness.

Below are some ideas of how you can promote print awareness at home:

- **Reading with your child:** Not only do children benefit from the language they hear but they also learn how to handle a book e.g. looking at front covers, turning pages, page numbers and what direction to read in.
- **Labelling objects:** If you can label different things around the house. This draws attention to different words.
- **Encouraging children to play with print:** They can pretend to write a shopping list, construct a stop sign, write a letter, make a birthday card, etc.
- **Reinforce the forms and functions of print:** point them out in signs in the street, labels, posters, calendars, and so forth.

Don't forget there are opportunities for your child to read all around them, you just have to point them out!



# FUNTIME PLAY SESSIONS

Once again Fun time are kindly opening their doors exclusively to the children and their families. These will take place on Wednesday mornings 9.30 - 11.30 at a cost of £5.50 per child. All bookings must be made directly with Fun time by telephoning 0151 548 7125 and payment **MUST** be made when booking the session(s).

The sessions available to book are:

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Aug

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Aug

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Aug

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> Aug



### Have you got your Maths Eyes on!!

This is next weeks Maths Eyes photograph which will be shared with your children in their classes. To give them a head start, you can practise some questions with them at home. Questions you can ask them could include 'how many gingerbread men are there?', 'how many legs do they have altogether?' 'how many would be left if you ate one!?'.....the possibilities are endless!!!!



#### Important Notice: Attendance & Punctuality

School will not authorise holidays in term time for any pupils.

If your child will be absent from school it is important that you contact the school via telephone or school App as soon as possible to report your child's absence even if you have informed the escort you still need to inform the school. Please also supply any appointment letters or cards. School begins at 8:55am and children should be in class and ready to learn at this time. We offer a breakfast club which operates from 8:30 each morning. **Attendance is key to your child's education.**

**SNACK MONEY**—snack money is £1 per week, parents can pay for the term if they wish to do so. Please send in £1 each week or £6 for the term to cover snack money thank you.

Holiday Dates 21/22	Date School Closes	Date School re-opens
May Half Term:	Friday 27th May 2022	Monday 13th June 2022
Break up for Summer	Wednesday 20th July 2022	

Holidays Dates 22/23	Date School Closes	Date School re-opens
School Starts for Pupils		Monday 5th September 2022
October Half Term :	Friday 21st October 2022	Monday 31st October 2022
Christmas:	Wednesday 21st December 2022	Wednesday 4th January 2023
February half term:	Friday 10th February 2023	Monday 20th February 2023
Easter Hols:	Friday March 31st 2023	Monday 17th April 2023
May half term Hols:	Friday 19th May 2023	Monday 5th June 2023
Break up for Summer	Friday 21st July 2023	