



## Autumn Newsletter

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*Dear Parents and  
carers,*

A very warm welcome back to everyone as we begin a new school year. I hope you and your families have enjoyed a happy and restful summer break.

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back and to see our classrooms, corridors and playgrounds full of energy and enthusiasm once again. The children have settled quickly into their new classes and routines, and it has been lovely to see them reconnecting with friends and getting stuck into their learning.

A particularly warm welcome goes to all the children and families joining our school for the first time. All reception children have made a fantastic start, and we are all very proud of them. We are also delighted to welcome new members of staff to our team this year. They are already settling into school life, and I know you will join me in making them feel very welcome.

As we start the year, a gentle reminder that every school day counts. Regular attendance and arriving at school on time helps children to settle well, maintain positive routines and make the most of their learning. We understand that children will sometimes be unwell, but we ask for your support in ensuring they attend every day they are well enough to do so and arrive punctually. If there are circumstances affecting your child's attendance or punctuality, please speak to us so that we can offer support.

Respect is one of our key school rules and something we encourage our children to demonstrate every day. We ask everyone in our school community to help us model this through kindness, consideration and courtesy towards others.

With this in mind, please remember to park safely, legally and considerately when dropping off and collecting children at both school entrances. The start and end

of the school day are particularly busy, so please be mindful of our children and families, pedestrians, other road users and our neighbours. Your cooperation helps us to keep everyone safe and demonstrates the respectful behaviour we encourage in our children.

We have an exciting autumn term ahead, with lots of opportunities for learning, enrichment and celebration. We look forward to sharing the children's achievements and experiences with you throughout the term.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for working in partnership with us. I would also like to thank our wonderful staff team for their hard work, care and commitment as we begin another school year.

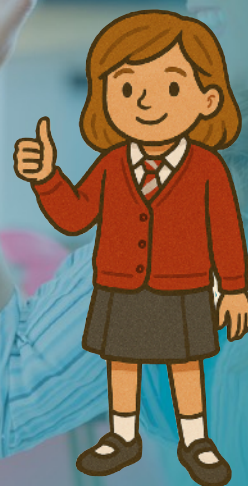
This is one of my favourite terms in school, and I am very much looking forward to what's ahead. Please come in and speak to me if you have any concerns – I will always make time to see parents.

*Miss Macleod*

# FROM DAY ONE MAKE EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNT

YOU DON'T WANT YOUR CHILD TO MISS OUT ON OPPORTUNITIES FOR BETTER GRADES AND A BETTER JOB, LEARNING, MAKING FRIENDS, FUN, A RANGE OF SUPPORT AND MUCH MORE!

**ATTEND SCHOOL REGULARLY**



## A big Evelyn welcome to ...

We are delighted to welcome four new members of staff to the Evelyn family.

**Miss Edwards** joins our Ladybirds class as class teacher and is supported by our Specialist Teaching Assistant **Miss Gavin** and new Lunchtime organiser **Miss de Boorder**. **Mrs Higham** also joins our Butterflies class as teaching assistant.



## Punctuality

A reminder that school doors open at **8.35am**, ready for registration at **8.40am**. Good punctuality is extremely important, as arriving on time helps children settle calmly and ensures they do not miss valuable learning at the start of the day.

All classroom doors, including the KS1 entrance through the library, will close at **8.45am**.

Children arriving after this time will need to enter via the main entrance and will receive a late mark. Pupils arriving after 9.10am will receive a 'U' code, which records the morning session as late after registration has closed. The front and rear school gates will be closed by 9.00am.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring children arrive at school on time and ready to learn.

## Healthy Snacks

We're continuing to encourage healthy choices across school, particularly when it comes to snacks and drinks.



For morning break, children are encouraged to bring a healthy snack, such as fruit or vegetables or a low sugar biscuit bar or yoghurt. Snacks such as crisps and chocolate have little nutritional value for children.

We'd love to see healthy choices at lunchtime too! Here's 15 great lunchbox ideas for children's lunches:



# Recognising children's achievements

We love to recognise and celebrate the wonderful achievements of our children. Throughout the year, there are lots of opportunities for children to receive awards for their effort, progress, behaviour and positive attitude to school life. Each award celebrates something a little different, giving every child the chance to shine and have their achievements recognised.



**Merit** winners are chosen every week for lots of different reasons. Children may receive a merit for working hard, putting in great effort, being helpful and kind to others, joining in with class discussions, answering questions or confidently sharing their ideas.

**Handwriting Stars** alternate with Maths Magicians on a weekly basis and are awarded to children who take real pride in their work and produce wonderful handwriting and presentation.



**Maths Magicians** are children who have really shone in their maths lessons through fantastic effort, perseverance, great thinking or making brilliant progress.

**Gold Behaviour Winners** are chosen every term for consistently demonstrating excellent behaviour. These children are respectful, kind and polite to everyone and always try their very best in class.



**Lead Learners** are chosen every half term. These children are standout role models who set a fantastic example to others through their attitude, effort, behaviour and the way they treat those around them. They exemplify everything we expect from an Evelyn pupil.

Children should return Merit, Handwriting and Maths Magician badges to their class teacher, so they can be passed onto the new winners.

# Children's Code of Conduct

Our **Children's Code of Conduct** was created **by children, for children**. It gives pupils a voice in deciding how we should behave and treat one another in school. By following the code, we can help make our school a **safe, respectful and happy place** where everyone feels valued and ready to learn.



## Respect

Children's Code of Conduct at Evelyn CP School  
curated by the Wise Owl Council



### Respect for Ourselves

- To actively regulate our own emotions using resources available
- To try our best at everything we do and don't give up
- To take responsibility for our actions and always try to find a way to fix something
- To listen at all times in order to achieve my best
- To make healthy and safe choices
- To take pride in our uniforms and achievement rewards



### Respect for Each Other

- Listen when others are speaking
- Say good morning or afternoon to others
- Use kind and respectful word choices
- Show willingness to share and take turns
- Celebrate the success of others
- Use gentle hands



### Respect for the World

- Never spread litter
- Look after school equipment
- Contribute towards an eco-friendly school environment
- Be kind to animals and insects
- Keep our classrooms and working areas clean and tidy

# Key Dates

## September

Forest School – **Year 3**

Thursday 10th September

Flu Immunisation sessions (N – Y6)

Friday 11th September

‘Meet the Teacher’ meetings Reception to Year 6

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Forest School – **Year 4**

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September

Forest School – **Year 5**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Harvest Festival Family Assembly - **Year 4**

Thursday 24th September - 9am



## October

Governor Meeting

Thursday, 1st October - 3.30pm

Forest School – **Year 6**

Thursday 1st October

‘Learning a New Skill’ day

Friday, 2nd October

Forest School – **Owls**

Wednesday 7th October

Shine Like a Star Week (assessment)

Week beginning 12th October

Forest School – **Robins**

Thursday 15th October

Individual Target Setting Week

Week Beginning Monday 19th October

STEM activities week

Week Beginning Monday 19th October



## November



### Return to school

#### TECHNOLOGY THEME WEEK

Theme: Structures and Mechanisms.

School Council election week

Forest School – **Butterflies**

Forest School – **Ladybirds**

Family Assembly – **Year 5**

Governor meeting

### Handwriting/Achievement Assemblies

### Monday 2nd November

Week Beginning 2nd November

Week beg. Monday 2nd November

Thursday 5th November

Thursday 12th November

Thursday 19th November 9.00am

Thursday 19th November 3.30pm

Thursday 26th November



### Christmas Fair

Butterflies, Robins and Owls Nativity (hall)

Y3, 4, 5 & 6 Christmas production -

Prescot Parish church

Nursery Party / Panto for KS1 & KS2 children

Nursery & Ladybirds Nativity (School hall)

### Break up for Christmas

## December



Friday 4th December – 3.15pm

Tuesday 8th December – 9.30am

Thursday 10th December – 2pm

Friday 11th December

Tuesday

# SEND Update

## What parents need to know



Every Child Achieving  
and Thriving

### New Government Proposals

The Government has published a new Schools White Paper, “Every Child Achieving and Thriving”, which sets out proposed changes to how children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) are supported.

### What is the aim?

- Receive the right support as early as possible
- Have access to more support within mainstream schools
- Can access specialist help within their local communities

### What could this include?

Improved access to specialist support such as speech and language therapists and educational psychologists.

Additional training for school staff helping schools to better support children with SEND.

Improved provision for children with more complex needs.

### What does this mean for families now?

It is important to remember that these are proposals and do not change the law at present. Existing SEND support and parental rights remain in place while the Government develops its plans.

### Keeping Families Informed

We will continue to share updates with families as more information becomes available.

Our priority remains making sure that every child receives the support they need to learn, develop and thrive!

# Benedict's Law - Allergy Awareness

From September 2026, new allergy safety requirements known as Benedict's Law are in place in schools across England. The law is named in memory of Benedict Blythe, who sadly died following an allergic reaction at school.

The changes are designed to make schools safer and more inclusive for children living with allergies. Schools are now required to have a dedicated Allergy Safety Policy, review it regularly and publish it on their school website. Staff must also receive allergy awareness and emergency response training so they know how to recognise and respond to a serious allergic reaction.

At Evelyn CP School we are fully prepared to comply with this legislation and the requirements set out by the Department for Education.

## What will this involve?

All staff will be undertaking mandatory allergy and anaphylaxis training this half term. Our kitchen staff have already completed this training.

An allergens and Anaphylaxis Policy will be published on our website and updated annually.

Our school has purchased an Anaphylaxis kit which includes 2 Epi pens for emergency use. These will be checked regularly and replaced when they expire.

Parents will be asked to update information relating to allergies and any medical needs as part of our existing Health and Safety procedures.



## A new arrival...

We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Miss Gregory has welcomed a beautiful baby boy!

We send Miss Gregory and her family our biggest congratulations and lots of love as they enjoy this very special time together. We can't wait to hear all about their new arrival and wish them many happy moments together.



# Instagram

## **We're on Instagram!**

Our school Instagram account is a great way to keep up with life at school! Follow us to see photos, celebrations, special events, classroom activities and all the wonderful things our children get up to.

Make sure you give us a follow and stay connected with everything happening across our school!

You can find us at [instagram.com/evelyncpschool](https://www.instagram.com/evelyncpschool) or search **Evelyn School** in the Instagram app on Android or iPhone.

## After-school clubs

### **Bright Owls**

Bright Owls club takes place after-school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15pm to 5:15pm. Children from Ladybirds to Year 6 are welcome to attend where there are lots of games and activities to play and snacks and sandwiches on offer. The cost of the 2-hour session is £7 and can be made via your Parent Pay account.

### **Cinema Club**

Cinema club takes place on Wednesdays from 3:15pm to 5:15pm. Children are provided with snacks and drinks and watch a movie together in the school hall. The cost of the 2-hour session is £5 and can be made via your Parent Pay account.

### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club takes place daily from 8am to 8:35am in the Science Lab on the KS2 playground. Children from Ladybirds to Year 6 can attend for a cost of £3 per session on Parent Pay. Cereal, toast and snacks are provided.

For any inquiries, please contact the school office on **0151 477 8570**



# FREE, PRACTICAL & FRIENDLY HEALTHY LIFESTYLE SUPPORT

**FOR 5 TO 17 YEAR OLDS**

We help young people and their families to make small, realistic changes that can make a big difference to health and wellbeing.



**If you live in Knowsley or have a Knowsley GP and may benefit from one of our programmes to help with healthy growth and weight, we offer:**

### **HAPPY HEALTHY ME**

**For children aged 5–12 years.**

An 8–12-week family programme covering food, activity, sleep and screen time.

### **FAMILY FOODIES**

**A cooking programme for families who want to feel more confident in the kitchen**

8 weeks of practical sessions developing cooking skills and making everyday meals.

### **VITAL VIBES**

**For teens aged 13–17 years.**

An 8–12-week teen support programme covering food, activity, mental health and sleep.

### **HEALTHY LIFESTYLE SCHOOL SESSIONS**

**Available for both primary and secondary schools.**

4 - 6 weeks of sessions helping children and young people to build healthy habits for life.

**SOUNDS GREAT, SIGN ME UP...**



You can ask your health professional, school nurse or GP to make a referral to Healthy Futures Knowsley. You can also self-refer through our website.

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