

Together, with God in our heart, the path to our dreams will start.



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## Welcome Back for Our Final Half Term!

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a wonderful break and enjoyed the lovely weather that we have been blessed with. All the adults in school are well rested and excited to share this final term with you. Hopefully this weather will stay with us for the remainder of this term! If it does, then please can we make sure that children are appropriately dressed:



Sun hats / caps	Sun cream applied before school starts	Summer uniform (summer dresses and shorts)
Light jackets for unpredictable rain showers	Children have water bottles in classes but can bring extra (water only)	

### This Half Term's Christian Value:

As we all now start to think about the final weeks of this school year and the challenges ahead in our new classes and schools after the summer, we will need this value more than ever; COURAGE. We will be looking at how taking small risks, doing things that make us feel a little worried is good for us! This work will sit side-by-side with our transition activities towards the end of term to prepare children, the best we can, for the changes coming in the next school year.



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## Year 6 Leavers:

Today, our Year 6s were presented with a present from school; their very own Leavers' Hoodie! The children can wear these with pride as part of their school uniform until they leave us at the end of term. It was an absolute privilege to be able to award these to this class. They have been a lovely year 6 and are particularly special to me as my first Year 6 since I returned to school in September 22. I am sure they will have a wonderful last term with us; there are so many lovely things for them to look forward to. Well done Year 6!



## New Staff

Myself, Mrs Pollitt and Mrs Cottom have had a really busy few weeks recruiting new staff for school for September. We watched 12 teachers teach a lesson (some in our school, some in other schools) and interviewed them all just before the end of term. We are excited at the standard that we saw and were able to offer teaching roles to three new teachers. Miss Reilly, Mr Kidd and Miss Matthews will be joining our KSL team in September but will be popping into school between now and then to get to know us a little better.

We haven't finished though! In the next few weeks we are interviewing for support staff. We need two teaching assistants and a Higher Level Teaching Assistant. I will let you know when these posts have been successfully filled.

The jobs have come about due to some staff retiring and because we are a growing, thriving school! We now have well over 300 children on roll, which is fabulous but means we need lots more adults.

We are also looking for a School Cleaner; if you know of anyone who may be interested in this position (3 x hours a day 3pm – 6pm) then please ask in the school office.



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## Rev Gill Hoy

You may remember a while ago that I shared the good news that our Rev. Gill had passed by her curacy and was preparing to become an associate priest. This Sunday there is a special licensing service for Gill. This will be at our school church – St Lawrence, Kirkdale (Westminster Cl, Liverpool L4 1XB) at 10.30am. I am sure that Gill would love to see as many people from our school community there as possible for this special day.

## Inclusion at KSL

Our school vision starts with “We are the Kirkdale, St Lawrence CE Family. We are a nurturing, safe, inclusive school...” and this drives everything we do here, all the decisions we make about what’s best for our children and community. Being inclusive means that we work hard to accept, understand, cater and adapt for childrens’ differences and diversity. Quite simply...everyone is welcome and everyone is equally valued. Next week we are being assessed for a national quality mark in this – The Inclusion Quality Mark. We will be visited for a day by the IQM team who will spend time getting to know us, our school, our children and our community and how we help everyone to thrive here. They will then decide if we have achieved the award. We are hopeful that they will be impressed with all our inclusive practices. I will let you know how we do in the next news letter.

## September Uniform

\*\*\*School now sells all our school uniform\*\*\*

However, this means that it needs to be **PRE-ORDERED**. The earlier you do this the better as it takes a few weeks for the stock to come in. There is an order form attached to this newsletter for you to use. You can order simply with a deposit – no need to pay in full. There are sample sizes in the office for you to check before you order. **All uniform MUST be ordered by 23<sup>rd</sup> June to make sure that you have it for the end of term**

We will also be holding our annual pre-loved uniform sale on 18<sup>th</sup> July for anyone who prefers this. Any donations of uniform should be given to school by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July.



I have loved being able to open the school fully up again to all our community this year; I hope that you have enjoyed being more a part of things. We are here to support you to support you and your children in their learning but also their lives, so please don't hesitate to ask us for anything you need.

*Mrs J Campbell*

(Headteacher)

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