



## Diary Dates:

### October:

24<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup> HALF TERM BREAK

31<sup>st</sup> Children return to school

### November:

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Parents' evenings

4<sup>th</sup> Awards assembly

4<sup>th</sup> Sport skills academy 2/3C

7<sup>th</sup> Flu vaccinations

8<sup>th</sup> Individual photographs

16<sup>th</sup> Y2/3 cinema visit

18<sup>th</sup> Sport skills academy 2G

22<sup>nd</sup> Pastoral committee

22<sup>nd</sup> Finance committee

23<sup>rd</sup> Curriculum committee

23<sup>rd</sup> Premises committee

25<sup>th</sup> Sport skills academy 1M

30<sup>th</sup> Full governors meeting

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe we are already at the first half-term break. The last seven weeks seem to have passed by very quickly!

### Parent governor vacancies:

Further to my previous letter, we did not receive new nominations for the governor vacancies. I am therefore pleased to tell you that Mr. Kevin Askew and Mr. Rob Perry will serve a further term as parent governors, having indicated their willingness to serve again. I am also delighted to inform you that Mrs. Haigh, our former parent support advisor and mentor, has agreed to join the governing body as a co-opted safeguarding governor.

### Headlice:

School holidays are the perfect time to check and treat your child's hair for headlice. We have already begun to see an increase in incidences of headlice, as we do every year at this time. The only way we can hope to stop it is if everyone is vigilant.

### Any unwanted wellies / waterproofs?

Miss Geraghty is developing an outdoor play and learning area outside her classroom. If you have good condition wellies or waterproofs suitable for Y1-3 she would be grateful to receive them. On the same theme, this area is not a playground for children at the end of the school day as the equipment will have been prepared for the following morning. Please don't allow your children to play there after school.

### Holiday activities:

There are a number of activities for children to get involved in next week [and beyond]

### Star Wars Christmas card competition:

Design a Star Wars themed Christmas card for a chance to win £250 for the school, plus a visit for the whole class to 'May the toys be with you' exhibition at the Atkinson. Hand your entry to your teacher immediately after the holiday. The winning entry will be used as the Christmas card for Chris Tinsley estate agents, who are sponsoring the exhibition and competition. Please put your name and age on the back.

Venue	Activity	Date	Time	Age
Dunes Splash World	Swim & Splash	Mon 24th to 28th October	10am - 12pm 2pm - 4pm	3 to 16 years
	Football Academy	Mon 24th October	9am - 3pm	5 to 12 years
	Come & Try: Jump into Gymnastics	Tue 25th October	2pm - 4pm	5 to 11 years
	Spooky Spectacular	Wed 26th to Fri 28th October	9am - 3pm	5 to 12 years
	Halloween Mash-Up Dance Workshop	Fri 28th October	1pm - 3pm	5 to 12 years



### **Ditch those stabilisers!**

Children aged 4+ can attend a cycling session to enable children to ride without stabilisers. This takes place at Shoreside Primary School in Ainsdale on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Oct 9:00 to 12:00 - registration is essential on 0345 1400845

### **Kidsfest at the Atkinson**

From 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October, a range of fun hands-on activities and live performances tel: 01704 533333

### **Spooky crafts in Kings Gardens**

Weds 26<sup>th</sup> October from 1:00 to 3:00pm telephone 0151 934 2421 for details

### **Spookport**

Southport's own Halloween parade takes place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 6:00 to 7:00pm, with extra activities in and around town. More details on 01704 538382

### **Street games**

At Portland street field from 4:00 to 5:30 pm each Thursday until 17<sup>th</sup> November

### **Help create a bug hotel**

North Meols library association would like you to help them build a bug hotel on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 11:00 to 3:00pm at the Civic garden on Cambridge Road. Bring along materials to furnish the hotel [logs, twigs, sticks, terracotta pots / pipes, holed bricks, bamboo canes, straws] call 07721 451158 for more details

Have a wonderful half term break! School re-opens on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October at the normal time.

Yours sincerely,



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