

# Somerville News

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**AIMING HIGH TOGETHER**



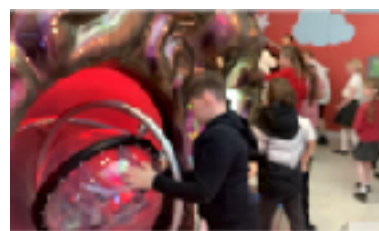
## VE DAY ASSEMBLY

On Thursday we had a whole school assembly to celebrate VE. (Victory in Europe) Day. We learnt about how the Blitz affected Liverpool and Wallasey and how resourceful the people of the United Kingdom were during that period. We discussed how the war generation made huge personal sacrifices to ensure our freedom that allows us to live in the democracy we do today. We held a minutes silence to reflect on those who lost their lives and 'gave their today for our tomorrow'. At the end of the assembly the children sang the classic WW2 song by Dame Vera Lynn - We'll Meet Again.



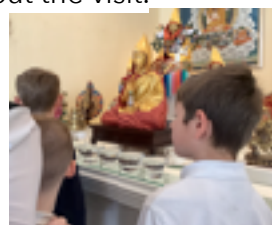
## YEAR 5 TRIP TO EUREKA

Last week Year 5 had an exciting and educational trip to the Eureka Science Museum, where they explored a range of interactive exhibits that brought science to life. One of the highlights of the day was the robotics workshop, where the students got hands-on experience building and programming simple robots. They learned how sensors and motors work together, and even had the chance to race their creations against each other. The workshop sparked curiosity and teamwork, leaving everyone inspired by the possibilities of science and technology. It was a memorable experience that combined fun with learning in the best possible way.

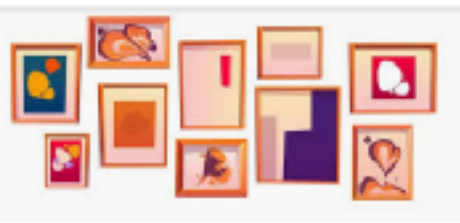


## YEAR 3 TRIP TO BUDDHIST TEMPLE

This week, Year 3 enjoyed a visit to the Kailash Buddhist Centre in Oxton. We were warmly welcomed by two buddhists, Neil and Sue, who told us all about the Buddhist belief systems, values and even led a simple meditation exercise, which can be used to help you to feel focused and calm. We learnt about the story of the life of Buddha and were lucky enough to explore a mandala offering kit and the shrines which form an important part of Buddhist worship. The children had a fantastic experience and both Neil and Sue praised their respectful, kind, considerate behaviour and were impressed by the insightful questions they were asked throughout the visit.



## SUMMER FAIR ART FRAME SALE



We will be selling one piece of your child's artwork at the summer fair again this year. You will have received a link to a google form to place your orders and all orders must be placed by Friday 16th May. The children have worked really hard on their art, and are really proud of their finished pieces. This is the third year we have framed their work and we hope this piece adds to your mini galleries at home!

## MERSEYSIDE COUNTY SCHOOLS FA - FINALS - WINNERS

On Wednesday 7th May, three of our own Year 6 Somerville pupils (Ava Williams, Kegan Wylde and Kendall Wylde) got to compete at Goodison Park for their team Wirral School Girls against Sefton Girls.

Mr Shennan and Mrs Freeman were lucky enough to attend and had a wonderful time cheering the girls on. They were were wowed by the excellent skills on show. The girls' won 3-1 and we are extremely proud of their success! Women's Super League watch out!



We really do LOVE hearing about the children's successes outside of school and sharing this. Please send in anything that your child has achieved outside of school. This could be dancing competitions, made a Sixer in Brownies, gained the next belt in martial arts.

## PARKING



Over the past few weeks there has been a number of near misses on Northbrook Road, in which children have been close to being hit by cars driven by Somerville parents. These have come about as a direct result of the SAME people parking on the zigzags and on the single yellow lines opposite. **Parking on the single yellow line is also illegal during set times of the day - 7am to 7pm.**

We are directly appealing to those parents / carers who repeatedly put our children's lives at risk **EVERY DAY** by being selfish and just not caring about whether or not our children could be harmed. If you park your car on these areas and a child is hit by a car because **YOUR** car impeded the motorists vision around the bend, then you will be partly responsible.

## ATTENDANCE OVER THE SUMMER TERM

Our attendance officer will be out and about every day over the summer term on welfare checks.

Reasons you may get a visit:

- You haven't reported in your child's absence to the school office
- There are safeguarding concerns
- You may have reported your child's absence however your child's attendance is below 94%
- Your child is classed as a persistent absentee
- There are patterns in your child's absence e.g every other Friday or every other Monday

95%	=	40 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	80 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	120 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	160 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR ATTENDANCE FIGURES ACTUALLY MEAN?

**BE SMART BE THERE!**  
Percentages based on 190 academic days

## Minutes late for school or minutes early collection







2025 - 2026

**Please note that INSET days are subject to change.**

Autumn Term 2025	
Open	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct
Half Term	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct
Open	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan

Spring Term 2026	
Open	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb
Half Term	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb
Open	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March
Spring Break	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April

Summer Term 2026	
Open	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May
May Bank Holiday	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May
Open	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June – Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July

**190 Pupil days and 5 INSET Days 2025 – 2026**

1. Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2025
2. Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026
3. Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026
4. Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026
5. Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

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## Whole school dates for the diary

**Monday 26th - Friday 30th May** Half term - school closed

**Monday 2nd June** -Inset day school closed

**Wednesday 2nd July** - Transition day for all - including Year 6 to secondary

**Monday 7th July**- Last week of clubs

**Wednesday 9th July** - School fair

**Wednesday 16th July** - Reports out to parents

**Wednesday 23rd April** - Club information shared with parents

**Tuesday 22nd July** - Last day of term

## Reception dates for the diary

### Year 1 dates for the diary

**Friday 23rd May**- Trip to New Brighton

**Friday 6th June** - Year 1 author visit and road show to school

**9th 13th June** - Phonics screening check

### Year 2 dates for the diary

**Wednesday 4th June**- Trip to Liverpool cathedral

**Tuesday 17th June**- Trip to World Museum Liverpool

### Year 3 dates for the diary

**Friday 20th June** - Trip to Croxteth Park

### Year 4 dates for the diary

**Thursday 5th June - Friday 6th June**  
**Residential** - Cheshire

### Year 5 dates for the diary

**Wednesday 30th April** - Trip to Eureka

### Year 6 dates for the diary

**Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May** - SATs week

**Monday 21st July** - Year 6 leavers disco

**Tuesday 22nd July** - Leavers assembly and last day of term