



# Rice Lane Primary School and Nursery



July 2026

"We are respectful, resilient and together we achieve"

As we reach the end of this school year we would like to thank you for your continued support.

For the autumn term, our school uniform for children in Reception, Key Stage 1 and 2 will be as follows:

- A white polo shirt (with or without the school logo)
  - A school cardigan, jumper or hoodie
  - Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers
- The whole school PE kit will be:
- Burgundy t-shirt with the school logo
    - Burgundy or black shorts
  - Black full-length leggings or plain black tracksuit bottoms (non-branded)

Nursery uniform:

- Yellow polo shirt (with or without the school logo)
- Burgundy sweatshirt and pants with school logo on

Oak uniform:

- A white polo shirt (with or without the school logo)
  - A school cardigan or jumper
  - Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers

Please note that children will no longer be required to wear a white shirt and tie.

## Year 7 2027

We would like to remind our current Year 5 families that the online application portal for Year 7 places for September 2027 will open on 1st September 2026.

Applications must be made through the Local Authority where you live (your home authority), regardless of which secondary schools you wish to apply for.

The closing date for applications is 31st October 2026. We strongly encourage all parents and carers to submit their application before this deadline, as late applications may affect the allocation of school places.

To help you make an informed decision, we recommend attending as many secondary school open evenings and open events as possible. As schools share their open evening dates with us, we will pass this information on to families.

For Liverpool residents, please share the attached leaflet from Liverpool City Council, which provides further information about the application process.

For families who live in Sefton or Knowsley, further information can be found on the links below:

- Sefton Council: [Sefton Admissions](#)
- Knowsley Council: [Knowsley Admissions](#)

If you require any support with the application process, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Sharkey when school reopens in September, and we will be happy to help.

Many thanks for your continued support.

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### Nursery and Reception Sports day

EYFS had so much fun during their sports day on Wednesday 1st July; it was so lovely to see their happy, smiling faces and how proud they were of themselves. Their behaviour was exemplary and they should be very proud! They all received a medal for taking part.

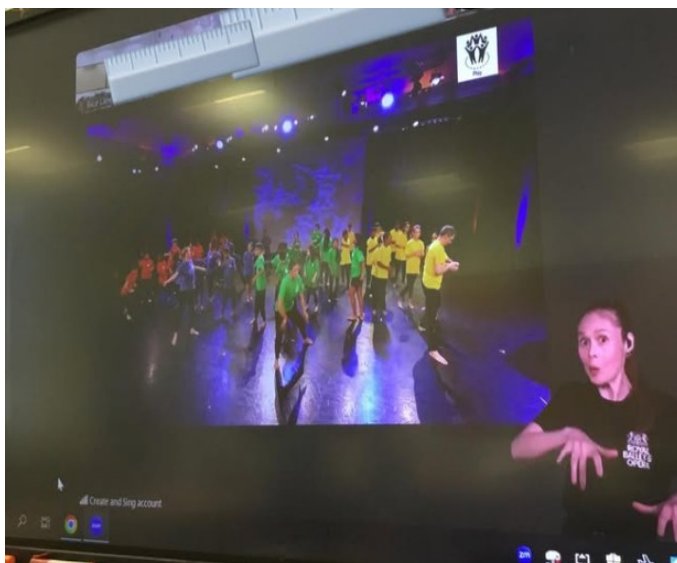
A special shout out to parents/carers for attending—the turn out was amazing—and also to our Year 6 helpers who were so nurturing.



### KS2 National Dance Event

Our KS2 classes split themselves into 4 groups and were challenged to come into school wearing their colour. They all took part in a special national event for Dance for Rights, an inspiring project led by the Royal Ballet and Opera.

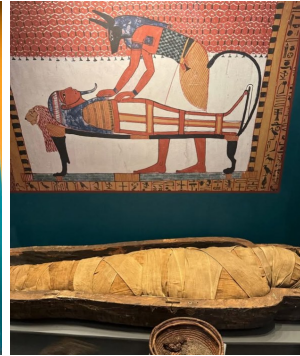
This initiative brings schools across the UK together through dance, creativity and children's rights. The event is supported by UNICEF. Children took part in a live, national dance session streamed via Zoom, connecting thousands of children across the UK.



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### *Year 3 World Museum Trip*

On Wednesday 8th July, Year 3 visited the World Museum in Liverpool as part of their history unit on the Egyptians. They took part in an Egyptian workshop where they had the opportunity to explore real and replica artefacts related to the Egyptian Gods and Goddesses. They also explored the Ancient Egypt exhibit and visited other areas of the museum.



### *Sports Days*

Years 1 to 6 took part in their annual sports day over at Blessed Sacrament Primary School. Well done to everyone who participated and a big thank you to our parents/carers, staff pupils and Blessed Sacrament staff who helped make our sports day entertaining and run smoothly.

### *Mersey Fire Service Visits*

Some of our pupils enjoyed a visit from the Merseyside Fire Department. They explored the fire engine and listened really well to the firemen.



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## Nursery Graduation

Congratulations to our Nursery 2 pupils how have graduated and will be moving up to Reception in September. We hope everyone enjoyed their graduation and seeing how their children have progressed in Nursery.



## Enterprise Funday

On Wednesday 15th July, everyone took part in Enterprise Funday. Children had the opportunity to run their own class stall and enjoy lots of games stalls. Fun was had by all, including the staff! All money that was raised is going back to the school and will be used for our children.

## Sports Superstars

Congratulations to I-R.E and I.T who are representing England in the World Cup in Dublin in July. They entered the audition in November and placed 1st out of 1000's of dancers from England with their mini team dancing 'surf party'. They competed in the finals against 47 other countries and came in 7th place!

Keep up the amazing work!



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Dear parents, carers and pupils,

We would like to encourage pupils and their families or friends of Rice Lane Primary School to join us for junior parkrun on Sunday mornings.

junior parkrun is a free, community event where you can walk, jog, run, volunteer, or simply come along to spectate. It's a 2k event designed for children aged 4–14 and their families and friends of all ages.

The events start at 9am every Sunday, with a fun warm-up beginning at 8:50am.

junior parkrun is positive, welcoming, and inclusive — there's no time limit, and no one finishes last. Everyone is welcome!

You can register for parkrun for free here:

[www.parkrun.org.uk/register](http://www.parkrun.org.uk/register)



Local event details:

**Address:**

- ❖ Derby Park junior parkrun, 65 Fernhill Rd, Bootle, L20 9HE
- ❖ Stanley Park junior parkrun, Stanley Park, Anfield Road, Liverpool, L4 0TD

**When:**

Every Sunday, 9am (arrive at 8:50am for the warm-up)

**Volunteering: I**

If you're interested in volunteering, please email the event team at [derbyparkjuniors@parkrun.com](mailto:derbyparkjuniors@parkrun.com) or [stanleyparkjuniors@parkrun.com](mailto:stanleyparkjuniors@parkrun.com). It's great fun and a lovely way to meet new people!

If you can't make it this week, don't worry — junior parkrun takes place every Sunday, so you can join us any time you're available.



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# School age childcare

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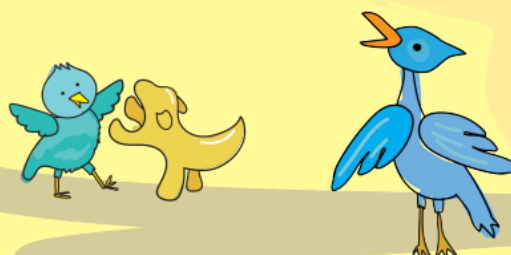


## Do you need help with childcare costs for school-aged children?

If you're a parent or carer, you could be entitled to financial support to help make childcare more affordable. There are different options available depending on your circumstances, and it's quick and easy to find out what you qualify for.

Before applying, use the **Childcare Eligibility Checker** on the **Best Start in Life website** to see if you're eligible for **Tax-Free Childcare** or **Universal Credit childcare support**:

[beststartinlife.gov.uk/eligibility-checker/](http://beststartinlife.gov.uk/eligibility-checker/)



## Tax-Free Childcare

If you're a working parent, you could get extra help with the cost of childcare.

### What you'll get:

- For every £8 you pay in, the government will add £2.

### How long you can receive support:

- Until 1 September after your child's 11th birthday
- Or until age 16 if your child is disabled

### Apply at:

[gov.uk/tax-free-childcare/apply-for-tax-free-childcare](http://gov.uk/tax-free-childcare/apply-for-tax-free-childcare)

## Universal Credit Childcare Support

If you're receiving Universal Credit, you may be able to claim back childcare costs.

### What you could get:

- Up to 85% of childcare costs

### Maximum amounts per month:

- £1,071.09 for one child
- £1,836.16 for two or more children

You'll be reimbursed after the childcare takes place.

## Who can apply:

If you're working or about to start a job, you may be eligible.

### Check eligibility and apply:

[beststartinlife.gov.uk/childcare-early-years-education/universal-credit-childcare/eligibility-for-universal-credit-childcare/](http://beststartinlife.gov.uk/childcare-early-years-education/universal-credit-childcare/eligibility-for-universal-credit-childcare/)

## Holiday Activities & Food Programme (HAF)

The HAF programme provides free school holiday activities and meals for eligible children in receipt of benefits-related free school meals. It offers fun, safe experiences and nutritious food during school holidays.

For more information visit:

[merseyplay.com/haf](http://merseyplay.com/haf)



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