



The Livity School Weekly Newsletter

School News

Some parents have visited an immersive art experience with their children. They have provided positive feedback and have asked us to share the link with other families as there are SEN sessions available. **Frameless** is a unique immersive digital art experience. It brings masterpieces by some of world's most celebrated artists to life in a unique way. The staff are very helpful and they have a Sensory Room for the children to use as well. If you are interested please visit <https://frameless.com/accessibility/>

We have been thrilled to welcome over 30 parents and carers to our first **Makaton** course at Livity School. The three week course will take place from 9.30 – 11.30 over the next three Fridays. It is excellent to see families engage in these sessions and exciting to learn how to better support communication skills at home and in the community. This will be a huge support in extending your child's communication. For anyone who has not been able to attend, please call the school office to register your interest for the next set of dates which we will be organising.



If you have any 2L plastic bottles, please send these into school with your child(ren). We will use them to build a greenhouse in our sensory garden!

Please remember to call the school office before 7.30am if your child is going to be absent.

Red Class

Red Class enjoyed Halloween sensory engagement as part of *My Cognition*. We explored the sights, smells and textures of lots of different things. Our favourite was the pumpkin and cinnamon sticks.



Pink Class

Pink Class have been welcoming autumn during our first week back and have been exploring different colours and events that happen throughout the season. In *My Communication* we have been using our different communication methods to choose our favourite activities.

Yellow Class

Yellow Class children have explored the different resources we have in our class sensory room. They had fun with the rainbow-glittered curtains and the wind chimes. Continuing with our autumn sensory exploration and topic, the children have learnt about changes in their appearance when they are covered in leaves. Then they looked with curiosity and excitement at their reflection in the mirror.



Blue Class

In this first week back pupils showed how happy they were to return to class with their friends. Blue Class children have engaged particularly well in group activities. They also had the opportunity to continue building their skills in phonics and writing sessions. Welcome back Blue Class 😊.



Orange Class

Pupils returned to Orange Class requiring more regulation strategies – likely due to the changes not only in the weather but also the time. For these reasons, we focused on helping them to settle back into class routines again. Children requested sensory break activities from the sensory break board. When needed, they were allowed to go to the terrace and use the trampoline, gym ball or explore our sensory trays. This was very helpful and they are now ready to continue extending their learning.



Ladybird Class

Ladybirds Class have settled back into their routines after half term. The children enjoyed mixing colours to see how they change. We have been practising sharing toys with our

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friends and have played together sharing resources. We made 'mug cakes' in cooking; watching the mixture change after it was put in the microwave. The children also chose what flavour they wanted their cakes to be. The children enjoyed writing and communicated for experiences to feel on their dominant hand, before we encouraged them to make marks and letters with a pincer grip. We also enjoyed number rhymes in soft play while some children have been working on representing place value with 100s, 10s, and units.



Rainbow Class

We have had a great first week back in Rainbow Class. We made biscuits on Tuesday by mixing all the ingredients together to make a dough and then we cut the biscuits out using biscuit cutters once we had rolled out the dough. They were absolutely delicious!



Green Class

Green Class this week have been creating more edible slime. This week we made a slime using cornflour and condensed milk which was very sticky. We followed instructions to help make it and then enjoyed exploring it and

seeing how it felt. We have also included a photograph from our Black History celebrations.



Purple Class

Purple Class enjoyed exploring the local community this week. We visited our local shop where we found and bought items on our shopping list. We also practised safely crossing the road and waiting for the green man. We are looking forward to exploring our local community more!



Butterfly Class

This week in Butterfly Class the children were happy to be back and excited to engage in our physical sessions. We have been trying out new equipment and working with the physios. We have played parachute games as part of our topic and a favourite was 'shaking the popcorn'.



Bumblebee Class

Bumblebee Class have been engaged in our free flow sessions as children have enjoyed

playing with the doctor set and sharing toys. We have been counting and listening to number songs and we have also managed to match numbers on a number matching board. We have loved playdough and used cutters and shapes to manipulate it. It was a lovely sensory experience where we could practise our fine motor skills.



Gold Class

Gold Class have been decorating a spooky Jack-o'-lantern mobile for Halloween. Children are using their preferred communication system to request tools and colours to complete their work. We are working on the sounds from Unit 1 and adding the sounds /n/, /o/ and /p/ from Unit 2 of Sounds Write phonics approach to make the words man, tin, pot and nap.



Silver Class

This week in Silver Class, the children were excellent in showing their ability to share as well as help each other in turn taking activities. Whilst completing *My Thinking* sessions, pupils were able to improve their mathematic skills with some being able to organise bigger numbers in order and others followed three step instructions to make pizza from a recipe.



Unicorn Class

This week in Unicorn Class we have been continuing our trips out to the shop. Pupils have been writing a shopping list and finding desired items. We have also been working on using comparative language such as 'greater than' and 'less than'.



Don't Forget

- **Makaton Parent Course (3 weeks)**
Friday 3rd, 10th and 17th November
- **Wednesday 15th November 2023**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Online Safety
- **Wednesday 29th November 2023**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Mental Health
- **Thursday 7th December**
Christmas Jumper Day!
- **Monday 18th December**
Christmas Lunch
- **Tuesday 19th December**
Christmas Performance
- **Thursday 21st December**
Last day of Autumn 2 – *school closes at 1*
22nd – 5th January TERM BREAK – no school
- **Wednesday 17th January 2024**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum CWDT Focus
- **Wednesday 31st January 2024**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Mental Health
- **Tuesday 6th February 2024**
Safer Internet Day 2024
- **Friday 9th February 2024**
Last day of Spring 3
12th – 16th February HALF TERM – no school
- **Wednesday 28th February 2024**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Attention & Focus
- **Wednesday 20th March 2024**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Mental Health
- **Thursday 28st March**
Last day of Spring 4 – *school closes at 1*
29th – 12th April TERM BREAK – no school
- **Wednesday 1st May 2024**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Dr. Wicks Sleep
6th May BANK HOLIDAY – no school
- **Wednesday 15th May 2024**

- 9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Mental Health
- **Thursday 23rd May 2024**
Last day of Summer 5
24th – 31st May HALF TERM – no school
- **Wednesday 12th June 2024**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Jane Thomas
Continence
- **Wednesday 26th June 2024**
9.30-10.30 Parent Forum Mental Health
- **Wednesday 24th July**
Last day of School – *school closes at 1*

All our term dates are available on our website.

The Livity School website

<https://www.thelivingschool.co.uk> On the website under 'Parents and Carers' you will find the link for **Parent Pay** where you can pay for school dinners and uniform.

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