



LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL

Aigburth High School



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23rd July 2014

Dear Parent/Carer,

As we reach the end of another busy and challenging year at Aigburth High, I wanted to take this opportunity to reflect on some of the developments and achievements which have taken place.

Our year 11 pupils, many of whom have now moved on to places at college, achieved an outstanding Work Experience, ably guided and supported by Mrs Wilson.

The JSLA sports leadership group enjoyed a fun filled and energetic residential in Barmouth. They all achieved their accreditation and were encouraged to strive for the highest standards by Mr Turley and Mr Williams.

Our Key stage 2 & 3 pupils have had a wonderful series of visits out of school coordinated by Mrs Hunt, to a variety of inspirational places including The Museum of Liverpool, Catalyst Museum, our local church St Anns and the Al-Rahma Mosque. They were made welcome at all venues and were complimented by the public on their excellent attitude and behaviour. Well Done! The key stage 2/3 topic for next term is World War II.

The lead teacher for Literacy, Mrs Russell, has been making great strides in raising the profile of reading throughout the school. In addition to the dedicated group reading time which takes place throughout the week, she has run a competition to challenge pupils to read more and experience a greater variety of books both

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in school and at home. Prizes were awarded in our final Praise Assembly. Congratulations to our winners and well done to all who took part. Year 7 have really enjoyed regular visits to Childwall Library with Mr Maines and Mrs Fairclough. Please remember to encourage your child to read during the holidays.

This year's DaDa festival was enjoyed by a number of our pupils, ably supported and encouraged by Mrs Price and Ms Dorian. As always, I received very complimentary comments from the audience about the high standards and enthusiasm of those who took part.

A big thank you also goes out to our "Buddies" who are trained by Mrs Mollard and provide help and support especially to our younger pupils at breaks and lunch.

Next year's timetable has been completed and includes a significant increase in the number of support sessions available to pupils for Literacy, Numeracy and Speech and Language. Parents whose children are identified as needing additional intervention will receive a letter from school.

We have also begun to develop some alternative provision for pupils who may benefit from this. Mrs Williams and Mrs Jukes are coordinating this development.

Mr Radford, who leads our Reflection Unit, was delighted to be able to send letters home to parents of a number of pupils who have worked hard to improve their behaviour and attitude this year.

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Attendance remains a key focus for our school. Mrs Williams gave Platinum Award Certificates to a number of pupils who have achieved 100% attendance for the whole school year. Next year we hope to greatly increase this number as attendance is key to attainment.

Our Sixth Form goes from strength to strength under the guidance of Mrs Shaw. From September we will have two full classes, all working hard on their ASDAN awards and enjoying the challenge of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme.

School sports afternoon last Monday was a great opportunity for all our young (and not so young!) sportsmen and women to challenge themselves and compete against their peers. The atmosphere was friendly but competitive and everyone ended the day with a smile and a medal. Special admiration goes to our staff members who rounded the day off with a 400m race. Thanks Mr Davies, Mr McCombs, Mr Ward and Mr Campbell!

The whole school day out to I.M.Marsh was lovely. The sun shone, everyone enjoyed the activities and the ice lollies were much appreciated when we got back to school. Thanks to all staff for making it such a perfect end to the year.

Wishing you all a happy Summer. See you in September!

Kind regards
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