LIVERPOOL COLLEGE

A School of Character

Principal's Newsletter

28 November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sunday afternoon saw our Preplings and secondary Chamber Choir performing in St George's Hall in North West Cancer Research's annual 'Concert for a Cure'. They were fantastic! This concert is a truly celebratory event for a very worthy cause and one which I feel always marks the start of festivities. Mr Bishop highlights some special performances by secondary pupils in our musicians of week award later on in the newsletter and Miss Clark has a special report from the Preplings below:

Last Sunday saw the start of our Christmas Festivities in the Primary Phase. The Preplings choir turned out in tinsel, Christmas jumpers and an abundance of festive cheer to entertain a packed St George's Hall Concert Room. It is such an honour to be invited to this event every year. The space is inspiring and raising money for North West Cancer Research, whilst sharing our Christmas favourites, always makes for such a fantastic occasion.



This was a big moment for our new Ch2 singers who strode out of stage with confidence and smiles, whilst our older Ch5 and 6 children sang The Angel Gabriel by Chilcott in two parts marvellously. This was a massive challenge and one they executed perfectly!

What a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon!

Well done to all the pupils who took part at the concert, and a big thank you to the families who supported them at the event, to the staff who attended, and of course to Miss Clark and Mr Bishop for all their hard work and commitment in preparing our musicians for the event and for providing so many wonderful opportunities for our musicians to showcase their talents.

I enjoyed taking Reflection in Prep on Monday when I talked about friendship and what true friendship means, using the themes of tolerance, acceptance, empathy and understanding that run through the blockbuster movie 'Wicked for Good' as a springboard for an oft repeated message across the phases. This all ties in rather well to Mrs Latham's report on the boarders trip out this last weekend:

Our boarding pupils enjoyed a fantastic trip out together, starting with a meal before heading to the cinema to watch Wicked: For Good. It was a wonderfully positive evening, full of laughter, tears, conversation, and the kind of shared experiences that help build a strong boarding community. Students returned to house buzzing about the film, the music, and — most importantly — the messages they felt it carried. Read more of Mrs Latham's report on our website here.

Congratulations to our Chapter 6 footballers who won the city final of the LSFA (Liverpool Schools Football Association) plate competition last week! Mr Devine has more details:



A huge well done to the Chapter 6 football team who played in the city final of the LSFA plate last Friday. Having won the southern heat the previous week, they were now up against the Northern winners. The boys put in a superb performance - winning 7-0 to the win the City Plate.

Every boy that took part was excellent and substitutions were seamless as a result with everyone stepping up to play their role brilliantly. There were excellent goals from Lucas, Noah (2) and a hat-trick from Charlie

as well as a debut goal for Ben. Anthony, playing up from year 5, kept a clean sheet in goal and there was some excellent and composed defending from Oscar and Seb. Additionally, Shea, Jacob and Theo all caused trouble for the opposition and Hugo put in a man of the match display in midfield.

The boys were a credit to the school in terms of performance and attitude and were worthy winners. Well done to them all.

This week's **musicians of the week** are **Zona G and Freya F J** of Chapter 12 and **Frankie R** in Chapter 7. Mr Bishop has more details:





The chamber choir performed three carols at Cancer North West's 'Concert for a Cure' on Sunday at St. George's Hall during which Zona and Freya sang a stunning duet. The chamber choir is tackling music that is harmonically really quite tricky at the moment - they are truly going from strength to strength. We look forward to performing this particular piece at the carol services on Monday 8th December (for pupils) and Tuesday 9th December at the evening carol service for parents and quests - we hope to see you there!

Chapter 7 pupils are studying singing and musical theatre in their music lessons this term and have been preparing to perform Elton John's 'Electricity' from the musical 'Billy Elliot'. It's always a joy to see the different interpretations of this song that emerge each year. One pupil had chosen to prepare a solo performance of the song, something which we don't see very often. In yesterday's music lesson, Frankie R confidently strode forward and sang a stunning rendition of this song to his class, who at the end, erupted into spontaneous applause in admiration for both an excellent performance and for the courage to sing quite a long song completely as a solo. Well done Frankie!

Our Ch13 students who have university medical interviews coming up greatly benefitted from a visit by Dr John O'Malley this week. Dr O'Malley, who grew up in Toxteth, spent many years conducting interviews for medical students as Medical Director in Manchester. He kindly spent an hour after school preparing our students for possible questions that commonly appear in medical interviews. Thank you to Dr O'Malley for his support and to Mrs Doran for organising the visit which helps ensure our students are as prepared as possible for these interviews. We wish all our students who have interviews coming up for their chosen university courses every success.

An important reminder from Mrs Pease (Vice Principal: Primary) for parents and carers who have children in Reception to Chapter 11 to please complete the parental questionnaire that was sent out via MCAS on Wednesday as part of our uniform review.

An early reminder that school **finishes at 12pm** on the last day of term (**Wednesday 17 December**) and the new term begins for all pupils on Wednesday 7 January 2026.

May I wish you and yours a pleasant and restful weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Haynes Principal

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