

UPDATES AND NEWS

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Happy New Year

Liverpool Learning Partnership would like to wish you a Happy New Year and a great start to the Spring Term!

Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health Week will be taking place week beginning 9th February and the theme this year is 'This Is My Place,' You can find more information from Place2Be including resources at <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/>

Liverpool Learning Partnership is working with Mental Health Support for Children and Young People in Liverpool partners to arrange an exciting programme of livestream events and videos for schools to access. These events will explore themes of belonging and identity as part of the theme 'This Is My Place.'



LLP has commissioned a poem on the theme of 'This is My Place' by local spoken word artist Danielle McLauren and she'll be leading KS2 pupils in a series of exercises to create their own poems about belonging. Find out more and book at: [ONLINE POETRY WORKSHOP](#)

Other events include:

- LFC Foundation Xpress UKS2/3: an interactive session exploring the relationship between mind and body
- MH Xpress events for KS1 and KS2: fast-paced livestream sessions featuring interactive activities and videos of children talking about their sense of belonging
- Video for KS3: short magazine style video to be used in tutor times or assemblies

FIND OUT MORE AND BOOK YOUR SPACE!

There will also be downloadable resource packs for schools to access relating to art and storytelling. These will be released nearer the time.

Breakfast Club Survey: PRIMARY

The Open Innovation Team, based in government, are inviting primary school staff to complete an [online survey](#) on primary school breakfast clubs. This is a chance for school staff to share views on staffing for breakfast clubs and to feed into policy design. All responses are anonymous, and no individual school will be identified. The survey is open to all primary school staff, whether you are involved in running a breakfast club or not.

The Open Innovation Team are particularly keen to hear from teaching assistants and other school support staff, so please pass onto any team members who would be interested in sharing their views. Deadline for completion is 30 January 2026.

FREE Climate Change Workshops for Liverpool Primaries

Climate Ed is a charity offering free volunteer-led climate change workshops to primary schools (flyer and scheme of work attached). Climate Ed is looking for Liverpool primaries who would like to run our programme of 5 hour-long workshops.



The workshops aim to tackle eco-anxiety by empowering pupils to take action. They are interactive and there are plenty of opportunities for oracy, including role plays. The programme is fully planned and resourced by Climate Ed and delivered by trained volunteers with a DBS. Contact Victoria Collier on northwest@climateed.net to find more or to get on the waiting list.

You can download a flyer here: [CLIMATE ED](#)

Power of Voice NLT Project for KS3

The Power of Voice is a **fully funded** six-week writing-for-change programme from the National Literacy Trust designed to engage and empower KS3 pupils, particularly those in Year 8 and 9. Working with a professional changemaker writer and activist, pupils explore the issues that matter most to them and learn how writing can be used as a powerful tool for expression, influence and social change. Classrooms become dynamic spaces for discussion, debate, and creativity, helping pupils to connect their writing to real-world contexts and audiences.

You can find out more on this [BRIEFING NOTE](#) or email powerofvoice@literacytrust.org.uk for more information.

This project starts in February so please get in touch as soon as possible if interested.

Big Heart Book Club

Big Heart Book Club is a children's bookshop and subscription service, offering a curated collection of inclusive books for children aged 0-11, their customers include families, schools and early years settings. Here's some information on how your school can benefit from their latest writing competition and partnership offer:



Partnering with Big Heart Book Club

Big Heart Book Club partners with schools and early years settings to make high-quality, diverse books more accessible. Their programme includes visiting pop-up bookshop events, author visits and book signings, OFSTED aligned activities, curated inclusive book drops and generous schools discounts for book purchases. It's a simple, impactful way to strengthen your school's reading culture and support your literacy goals.

[Find out more and set up a call with the team here.](#)

About Big Heart Book Club's Competition

Big Heart Book Club is inviting schools to take part in their Big Heart Writing Competition, giving children the chance to win a year's supply of books and a bookcase, while schools can win a curated inclusive book collection. Shortlisted stories will also be featured in Big Heart Press, the club's monthly publication. It's a wonderful way to energise pupils and celebrate reading and writing for pleasure during the National Year of Reading.

[Find out more and enter your stories here.](#)