# EAL

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EAL (English as an Additional Language) Service are a small team whom schools call

upon if they think

your child may

need extra support in helping them acquire English. With your permission, we assess the student and then begin to support them. The support continues until the EAL Staff member working alongside the class teacher deems that your child has made significant progress. A second assessment is then carried out to determine how much progress has been made. A report is then sent to schools which you can also access. This term

> 15 children have been assessed, 10 of these are students we have supported.



## Throughout the school year we host coffee afternoons and

events to celebrate the different languages and cultures in Knowsley. We hope that you will be able to join us, we will let you know about them on the school website. Knowsley Local Offer also has information on events. https://www.knowsleyinfo.co.uk/content/eal-events

For the future we have decided to host coffee afternoons in your child's school. Please lookout when these are being held on the school's website or Parent App and come along and join us

One such session was held at **St Brigid's Catholic Primary School** in Stockbridge Village. The session was well attended. Any issues or concerns parents/carers had, they were able to voice. As a result of this session we are going to host a 'CARNIVAL OF CULTURE.' This is taking place on Friday 12 July 2024 at Stockbridge Village Library. All are welcome to attend and if any parent/carer wishes to contribute or participate in the event please let me know at

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THE NEXT COFFEE AFTERNOON IS TO BE HELD AT ST LUKE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, SHAW LANE, PRESCOT, 1 MAY 2024 AT 1.30 PM.

# **School of Sanctuary Award**



The EAL Team continues to promote and encourage schools to be accredited the award as all schools in the borough are meeting the requirements of the criteria:

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8 schools have currently signed the 'PLEDGE' to commit to the Award.



The date of **Easter Sunday** changes each year. This year, in 2024, **Easter falls on Sunday**, **March 31, 2024.** The holiday occurs on the Sunday after the first full moon which welcomes spring in the northern

# hemisphere.

Vaisakhi—Takes place on 13th or 14th April every year. Sikh new year festival commemorating an important act in the establishment of the Sikh religion. Easter is linked to the Jewish Passover by much of its symbolism, as well as by its position in the calendar. In many languages, the words for "Easter" and "Passover" are identical or very similar. Easter customs vary across the Christian world, and include sunrise services, exclaiming the Paschal greeting, and decorating Easter eggs, a symbol of the empty tomb. The Easter lily, a symbol of the resurrection, traditionally decorates



churches on this day and for the rest of Eastertide. Additional customs that have become associated with Easter and are observed by both Christians

and some non-Christians include egg hunting, the Easter Bunny, and Easter parades.

# The EAL Team wish you all a happy, peaceful Easter

Tuesday 9th April – The last day of Ramadan Wednesday 10th April – The start of the festival of Eid ul-Fitr \*These dates may be subject to change based on moon sightings.

