

# Gwladys Street CP & Nursery School



## NEWSLETTER 19th May 2023



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### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear parents/carers,

It has been another busy week. The Y2 pupils completed their end of KS1 tests this week and have worked extremely hard. Next, Y1 pupils will have their end of year Phonics Screening Check and Y4 will have their multiplication table check.

Sadly, attendance levels have not been good this week. We have worked really hard since September to improve levels of attendance and it is so sad to see our levels dropping again. Unfortunately, when there are problems and children are experiencing issues in school, some parents/carers are keeping their child off school until they have a meeting with a Senior Leader.

This is **completely unacceptable** and whatever the circumstances, the absences will be unauthorised and you could face a fine or prosecution.

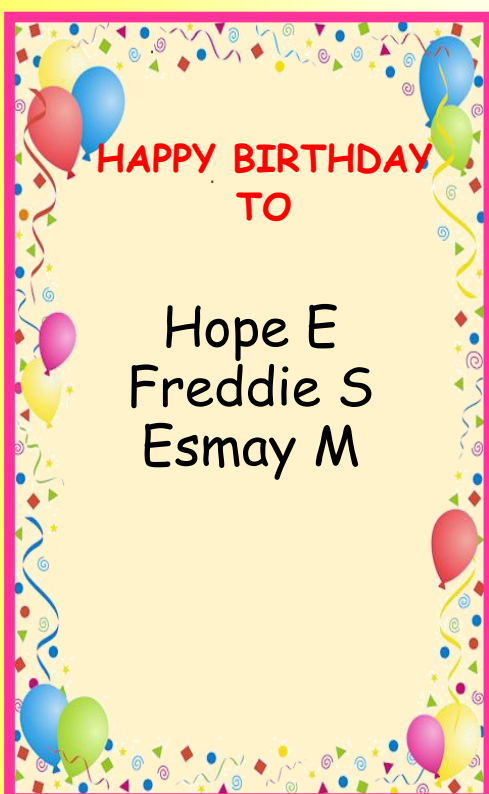
If you have a problem and need to speak to a Senior Leader, this is a reminder that you should speak to the school office. School then have forty eight hours to get back to you with a meeting date/time.

I would also like to take the opportunity to thank parents/carers who support us when we have issues with behaviour. School relies heavily on your support and we need to work in partnership, so that all pupils progress and enjoy their time at school.

All children have the right to come to school and experience their education in a calm environment. On a more positive note, Miss Gallie has commenced work as our new Nursery teacher and has settled in really well to Gwladys Street. If you haven't met her already then please take the time to say hello at the beginning or end of Nursery sessions.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all next week.

Ms Booth



#### Family Support

Our Calm Central team is here to offer you support about any concerns or issues.



### Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell.

[Use this link for information and advice.](#)



Please click [here](#) to view term dates for the school year.



# SCHOOL UNIFORM

From **SEPTEMBER 2023** our school uniform will be changing slightly.

Full school uniform must be worn every day.

Please make sure it has your **CHILD'S NAME** in.

## Nursery (F1)

pupil's uniform will be:

- Royal blue jogging suit consisting of round neck jumper . and royal blue jogging bottoms.
- White polo shirt.
- Velcro black shoes with black soles.



## Reception (F2)

pupil's uniform will be:

- Royal blue jogging suit consisting of round neck jumper and royal blue jogging bottoms.
- White polo shirt.
- Velcro black shoes with black soles.
- Grey socks or tights.



## Year 1 and Year 2

pupil's uniform will be:

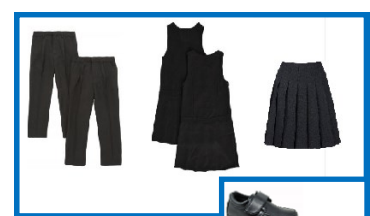
- Royal blue round neck jumper or cardigan.
- Grey skirt/pinafore or trousers.
- White polo shirt.
- Grey socks or tights.



## Years 3/4/5/6

pupil's uniform will be:

- Royal blue V neck jumper or cardigan.
- Grey skirt/pinafore or trousers.
- White shirt.
- School tie.
- Grey socks or tights.



## All children from Reception through to year 6 also require a PE kit.

This consists of:

- A white round neck t-shirt.
- Royal blue shorts.
- Royal blue jogging bottoms and Sweatshirt can also be worn.
- Black pumps or black trainers only.



**Exceptions can only be made if you have contacted school in advance.**



## HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

**Why you should not take your child on holiday in term time.**

Your child may:

- **Get behind in their school work.**
- **Feel excluded from their group of friends on their return.**
- **Not understand new work and lose self confidence.**
- **Get lower results in tests, assessments because of missed work.**
- **Miss tests or assessments.**

**Any absence in term time destroys the continuity of your child's education and may reduce chances of success.**

### Is my child entitled to time off school for family holidays?

**No.**

**Parents/carers do not have the right for their child to have leave of absence for a holiday.**

### Are parents responsible for their child's attendance at school?

**Yes,**

**By law, parents whose children are registered at a school, are responsible for ensuring that their child attends school regularly. If they fail to do this they may be guilty of an offense and can be issued or prosecuted under section 444 of the Education Act 1996 with a penalty notice.**

### What are the penalties?

**A Fixed Penalty Notice is a fine of £120 issued to each parent of each child absent on holiday.**

## Attendance Matters

Whole School Target: 97% - This week's Whole school attendance: 92.2%

**Absence**—if your child is absent from school you **MUST** contact the school before 9:00am each day of your child's absence. Failure to make any contact with the school will result in a home visit from staff and Head teacher.

**Appointments**—should be arranged outside of the school day and if this is not possible, medical evidence should be provided.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance %</u>	<u>Position</u>
China	97.7%%	1st
Chile	96.2%	2nd
Japan	96%	3rd
Kenya	94%	4th
India	93%	5th
Russia	92.9%	6th
Morocco	92%	7th
New Zealand	91.7%	8th
Ladybirds	91.6%	9th
Germany	91.2%	10th
Australia	91%	11th
Butterflies	90.3%	12th
Caterpillars	90%	13th
France	90%	13th
Costa Rica	86.5%	15th

**CONGRATULATIONS**



to the **345** children who had **100%** attendance this week.

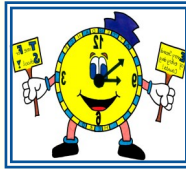
**Congratulations**  
to Classes **NEW ZEALAND** and **CHINA**  
who are our Attendance winners this week. The children will all receive a Golden time activity.

### Attendance advice for Parents

Being in school and having the best attendance possible underpins all the many benefits of school for your child, such as their learning, wellbeing and wider development. For some children, attending school every day will be harder than for others. This is why schools, and local councils in some cases, are committed to working together with families to solve problems and support your child's school attendance. The letter attached provides you with some valuable information.

[Guide for parents on school attendance](#)

# Perfect Attendance!

**KS1 NEW ZEALAND**



**KS2 CHINA**



## Stars of the Week



<u>Class</u>	<u>Name</u>
Caterpillars	Amelia E
Butterflies	Mason J
Ladybird	Aaron A
France	Ethan O
Germany	Theethra N
Australia	Whole Class
New Zealand	Whole class
Kenya	Lovinia Rose H
Morocco	Scarlett D
Chile	Lottie K
Costa Rica	Thor LDV
India	Jozef G
Russia	Zach M
China	Lilly-May C
Japan	Tyler P



Well done to our wonderful

**STARS OF THE WEEK**

Your hard work and efforts have not gone unnoticed.





# The children have had a busy week in Reception.



We've had lots of fun this week. We've been balancing and moving like a cat in PE. We've been playing team games and singing rhymes too. In Maths, we've been counting on using hopscotch and snakes and ladders. We love to read, and we particularly loved exploring the dinosaur book. How many dinosaurs can you name?



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## Counting on and counting back



## PE TIMETABLE



Monday:

FS2,

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Year 2 (New Zealand),  
Year 3, Year 5 Swimming

Thursday:

Year 2 (Australia)

Friday:

Year 1, Year 6



All children must wear their PE kit to school on their PE day.



Click [here](#) to view the lunch menu for this half term.



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# Coffee



Join us every Wednesday from 2.30pm in the Breakfast room for coffee, cake and a chat. Everyone is welcome.



Parent & Toddler Group



Parent and Toddler sessions are held in school every Wednesday morning 9-10am

Please come and join us

# Half Term Activities

 **FREE HOLIDAY CLUB**

**30TH MAY - 2ND JUNE**  
AT LIVERPOOL LIGHTHOUSE, OAKFIELD ROAD, L4 0UF

The holiday club is a chance for young people to take part in drama sessions and creative arts activities in a supportive and fun environment.

**7-11 YEARS OLD**  
9:30 AND 13:30PM  
(Primary)

**11-16 YEARS OLD**  
12:30 - 16:30  
(Secondary)

**LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED AT 12:30PM**

Places can be booked through email or phone call  
Matt.rutter@liverpoolighthouse.com  
07708668657

**OUR WEEKLY PERFORMING ARTS RUN EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY**

DRAMA / MUSIC AGES 8-13 TUESDAY, 4 PM - 7 PM  
DRAMA / MUSIC PRODUCTION AGES 14 - 18 WEDNESDAYS 5 PM - 7:30 PM

**COMING SOON**  
**27TH MAY 2023 | 11AM**  
£5 ADULT | £3 CHILDREN | £15 GROUP OF 5

**Disney THE LION KING**

**Sing-a-Long**

Scan QR code to reserve your seats or get your tickets at our website: <https://bit.ly/44YCLt>

Location: Oakfield Road, L4 0UF/ entrance - ST. Domingo Vale  
YOU CAN CONTACT US ON 01514762342 OR VIA EMAIL AT [INFO@LIVERPOOLLIGHTHOUSE.COM](mailto:info@liverpoolighthouse.com)  
FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS  
[WWW.LIVERPOOLLIGHTHOUSE.COM](http://WWW.LIVERPOOLLIGHTHOUSE.COM)


    

**LET'S KICK-OFF**  
HALF TERM CAMPS AT LU

**GET IT BOOKED**

**0151 523 7922**  
[INFO.JEFFREYHUMBLE@LEISUREUNITED.COM](mailto:INFO.JEFFREYHUMBLE@LEISUREUNITED.COM)  
[WWW.LEISUREUNITED.COM](http://WWW.LEISUREUNITED.COM)

Leisure United Jeffrey Humble, Long Lane, Liverpool, L9 6AG



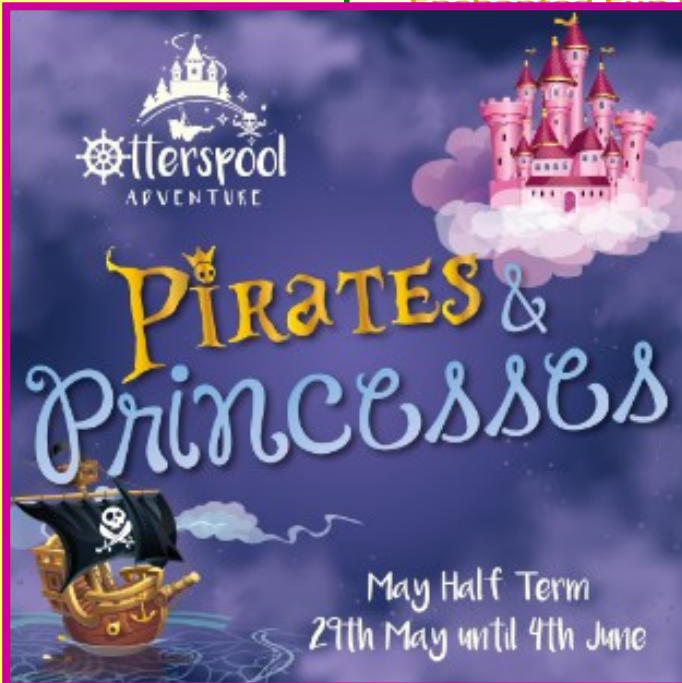
**Battle of the Atlantic 80**  
International commemorations in Liverpool  
Friday 26th - Saturday 28th May 2023. With a public lecture series from 8th March

Free-to-attend BoA80 lectures and events • BoA80 village at Pier Head • Pop up dance performances • 1940s music • New original theatre by LJMU • Special events at Western Approaches Museum • Drumhead service at Pier Head • New national memorial • HMRR Band concert at the Philharmonic • A parade of medals • Flypasts • Ships open to visitors • Atlantic Lights • Raise a tot to the convoy as she sails

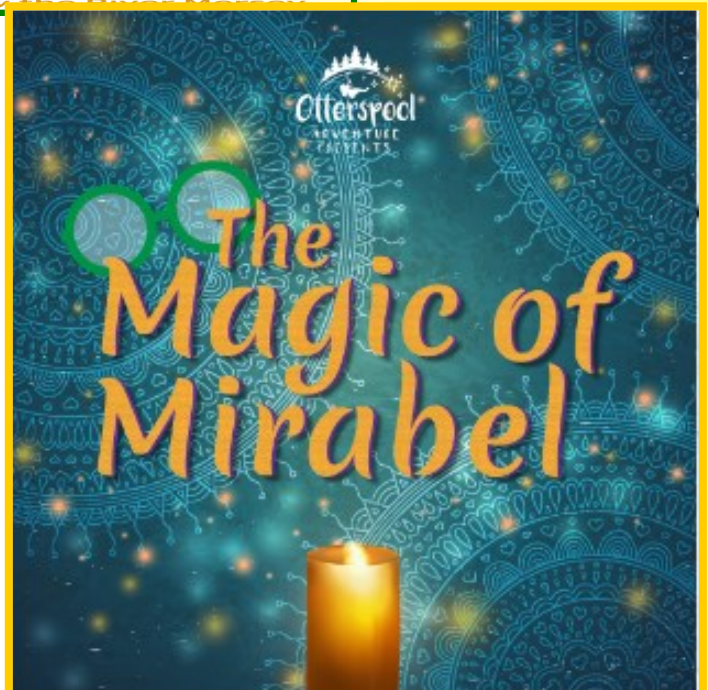
<https://www.schoolimprovementliverpool.co.uk/Battle-of-the-Atlantic-80th-Anniversary->



# Half Term Activities



<https://otterspooladventurecentre.co.uk/pirate-and-princess/>



<https://otterspooladventurecentre.co.uk/magic-of-mirabel/>

## The Nightingale Game

Click [HERE](#)

Twelve Nightingales have travelled to Liverpool, bringing their songs and stories. Find these birds in the virtual city of Liverpool through this Nightingale trail game!

### Download Application:



#### Please note:

If you're a MAC user, you might not be able to open this application straight away. To run the application, right click on the application in Finder and click 'Open'

### Tell us what you think

The game is a pilot and we would love to hear your thoughts. Share what you think in this [feedback form](#). For any questions email [thenightingalegame@thoughtworks.com](mailto:thenightingalegame@thoughtworks.com)



# Looking After Your WELLBEING ONLINE

We all know that taking care of our minds and bodies is essential to keep us feeling happy and healthy. The thing is, we spend so much of our time online these days that it's also important that we remember to look after ourselves in the digital world, too. Our poster has got some simple but useful tips for supporting your wellbeing while you're gaming, on social media or just using the internet.

**TAKE CARE WHAT YOU SHARE**  
**CHECK YOUR PRIVACY SETTINGS**  
**AVOID COMPARING YOURSELF TO OTHERS**  
**TRACK YOUR SCREEN TIME**  
**TAKE BREAKS**  
**REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**  
**BE KIND & BE CAREFUL**  
**PAUSE BEFORE YOU POST**  
**BLOCK BULLIES**  
**SPEAK UP AGAINST HARMFUL BEHAVIOUR**  
**STAY ACTIVE OFFLINE**  
**GO TECH FREE BEFORE BED**

NOS National Online Safety #WakeUpWednesday

## LOOK FOR POSITIVE COMMUNITIES

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# ALSOP HIGH SCHOOL POETRY COMPETITION

Alsop High School invites you to write a poem to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. We welcome entries from Partner Primary Schools, and all members of our community.

**Rule 1:** The poem must contain the name 'Charles' or 'Charlie' in it.

**Rule 2:** Enjoy writing; let your imagination run free!

Closing date: Monday 12th June 12 noon

**Everton in the Community**  
**STARTING WELL**  
**Dads' Club**

**Saturdays (Dates Below)**  
**10am - 11.30am**  
**The People's Hub, L4 4DF**

Everton in the Community's Starting Well programme is hosting sessions at The People's Hub for dads and their children aged four and under.

Sessions will provide children with a safe space to play and have fun with other little ones of a similar age whilst dads can seek parent and wellbeing advice, socialise with other like-minded dads, and of course bond and spend some quality time with their own children.

A whole host of activities and play equipment is available to entertain your little ones as well as snacks and refreshments. For more information, please email [andrew.cousins@evertonfc.com](mailto:andrew.cousins@evertonfc.com).

Register your interest here

11 February 2023	6 May 2023
4 March 2023	10 June 2023
8 April 2023	8 July 2023

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## Top Tips for Adopting SAFE & HEALTHY ONLINE HABITS

Everyone has so much going on in their lives, and that includes children: from exams and deadlines to anxiety and mental health struggles. It's quite easy to send memes, make jokes and vent online about the things that irritate us, but when was the last time you – or your child – took a moment to share something kind or positive instead? In fact, when did you last stop and think about your family's online activities? To help keep them safe and teach them healthy online habits, we need to develop our children's digital resilience. There are lots of ways that children can become more digitally resilient, and we've pulled together some popular strategies here...

### WHAT IS DIGITAL RESILIENCE?

Resilience doesn't mean being so tough that nothing gets to you, and it's not about 'putting up with things' either. Instead, it's the ability to recover from setbacks. Everyone feels sad, worried, scared or upset at times: it's how we respond and adapt to those situations which is important. Digital resilience is about making choices that keep us safe and happy online, even when we're exposed to something negative or upsetting. Building your child's digital resilience will help reduce the impact of potential risks as they engage with and navigate around the online world.

### MAKE POSITIVE LIFESTYLE CHOICES

- Make time for the people and things that make you happy.
- Monitor your screen time and stick to your limits.
- On social media, follow people that make you feel good about yourself – and unfollow the ones who don't.
- Spread some positivity: post good reviews, leave encouraging comments and share good news.

### KEEP YOUR HEALTH IN MIND

- Try to factor in regular breaks offline and away from your screen – ideally, outdoors for some revitalising fresh air.
- Exercise is a brilliant stress-buster: even a walk around the block, a bike ride or a stroll to your local shop can really work wonders.
- Be strict with yourself about putting devices away in plenty of time before bed: they can interfere with a good night's sleep, which is essential for staying healthy.

### REACH OUT FOR SUPPORT

- If you have a problem online, don't be afraid to reach out to specialist people or organisations that could help.
- Follow people on socials who have the same values and morals as you.
- You could always talk to a friend, or a trusted adult like a teacher or family member for some advice.

### PUT SAFETY FIRST

- If you see something online that upsets or worries you, tell a trusted adult about it as soon as possible.
- You could also report the content that's making you feel uncomfortable to the site or app that you saw it on, so they can look into it.
- Another option is to block the person or the account that's causing you a problem – or you could go one step further by totally deleting the app you were using.

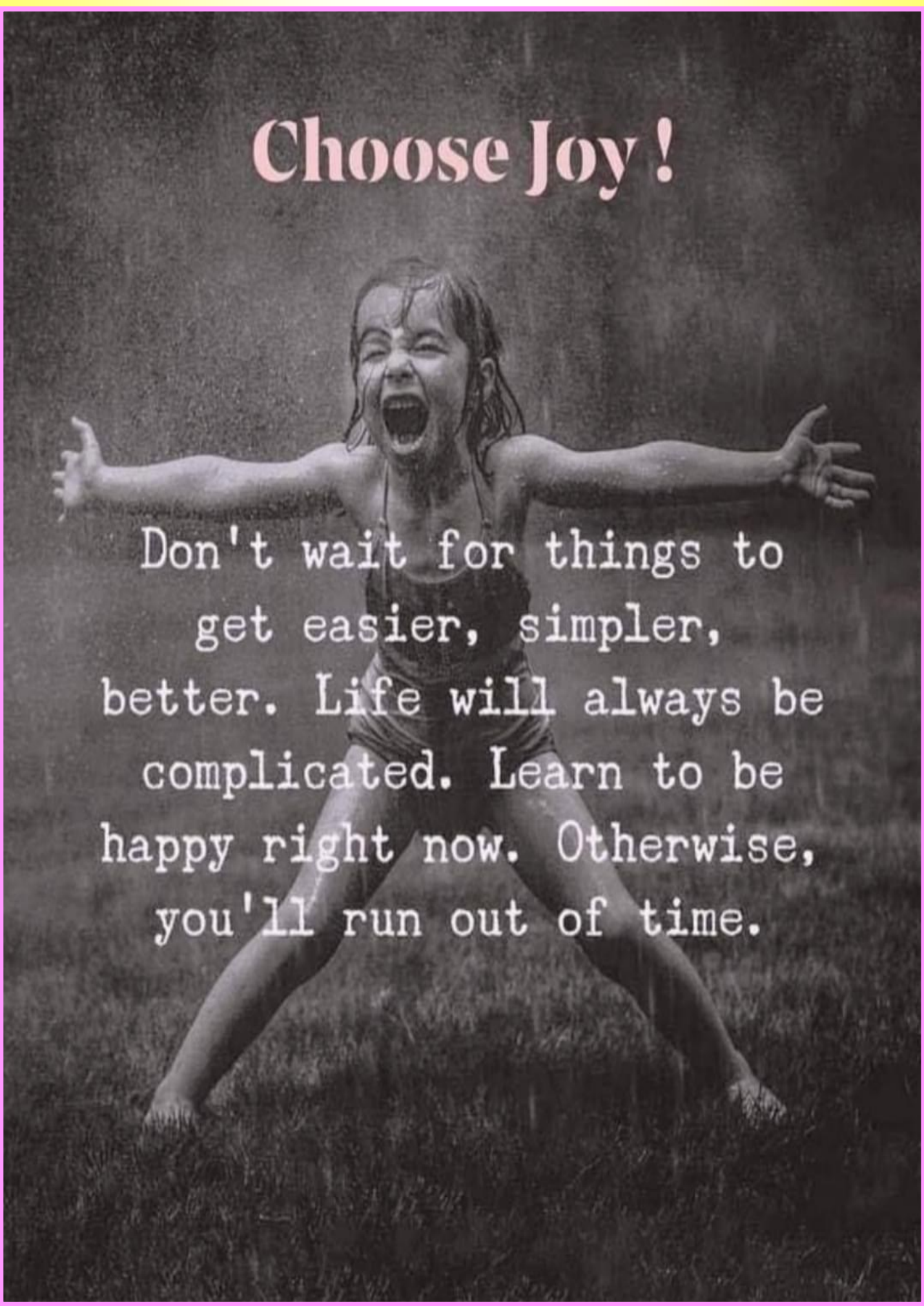
### GET THINGS CLEAR IN YOUR HEAD

- Ask yourself what kindness online actually looks like. Can you remember the last time someone was kind or supportive towards you online? What did they do?
- Think about how it makes you feel when someone sends you a positive or funny message online.
- What about the opposite: has someone ever been deliberately unkind to you online? What did they do and how did it make you feel?
- If someone's behaviour online is causing you stress, try to remind yourself of all the steps you can take if a person's being unkind online.

Meet Our Expert

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# Choose Joy!



Don't wait for things to get easier, simpler, better. Life will always be complicated. Learn to be happy right now. Otherwise, you'll run out of time.