

It has been a busy year for the EAL team spending time with our EAL children and their families celebrating many cultural events.

We celebrated Diwali, held a Brazilian festival and made Christmas cards with children and their parents for our refugee friends at SHARE Knowsley. Multi-lingual and poetry days were also celebrated in our local libraries.

### School of Sanctuary Award

In this academic year the following schools have received SoS award: **St. Margaret Mary's Juniors, St. Bridgid's, St. Albert's and St. Ann's.**

This Award reflects all the hard work that goes on in our schools to make individuals feel accepted, welcome, and part of the community. The children we met were amazing, demonstrating positive attitudes for the future and recognising that we are all different but equal. The schools clearly showed how inclusive they are and how they provide a safe haven.



### Refugee Week 16 — 20 June 2025

During June we celebrated Refugee Week, the theme this year being 'Community as a Superpower.' We visited Holy Family in Cronton, Knowsley Parks and Kirkby Eco Therapy Garden where we were joined by local school children and refugees. Together we planted orange flowers, orange being symbolic to a refugee's journey. All the children behaved impeccably and were able to deepen their understanding of why people become displaced.



### Summer free activities

- The 27<sup>th</sup> **Knowsley Flower Show** is returning to Court Hey Park On Sunday 3 August 2025, 11am – 5pm. The **Feelgood Festival** also returns to the park the same weekend and will take place on Saturday 2 August between 11am and 5pm
- On Saturday 2 August 2025 from 11am until 3pm, there will be **Carnival Samba in Kirkby** town centre with 12 carnival samba drummers and stilt walkers.
- **The Serious Nonsense Festival** Saturday, 23 August 2025 returns to Prescott town centre. The festival celebrates Knowsley's fascinating connections to Edward Lear, who lived at Knowsley Hall for many years and was best-known for his literary nonsense.



Have a lovely summer holiday!

See you in September.

Best wishes,

EAL Team