



# The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

# 15th September 2023

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / Carer,

The week has flown by, and our children are now settling into the school year like they have never been away.

This week, we were visited by Rev James Taylor, our new vicar, and he will be a regular visitor each Wednesday to conduct our collective worship. This week he told us all about himself, including his favourite food and rugby league team which unfortunately reside across the East Lancashire Road! Rev James will settle in nicely within our school community. On the same day, our reception children attended their first assembly with the whole school. They were fantastic as they learned new songs, listened to myself and the Vicar and were taught the actions to My Lighthouse by pupils at the front. It can be quite a loud experience; however they were great whilst sitting with their Year 6 buddies.

Our personal development curriculum experiences have started early with a visit from The Daniel Fox Foundation. The foundation delivers an age-appropriate insight into the problems with children who carry knives which has been an issue in our area recently. Year 6 listened intently and asked very good questions which the visitor commented on. We will continue to have visitors to school all year, ensuring they are fully equipped to keep safe around water, on railway tracks or on the roads.

Finally, congratulations to all our Year 6 pupils who received their responsibilities this week. Well done to our Sports leaders, House Captains, Prefects, Worship monitors and Environmental leads.

Congratulations also to our Head and Deputy Head boy and girl, I am sure you will be fantastic representatives for St. Peter's.

Head Girl: Florence Lloyd

Deputy Head Girl: Ruby Pugh

Head Boy: Angus Nilsson

**Deputy Head Boy:** Jonah Abbott

Have a lovely weekend Mr Robinson



# Celebration & Congratulations



## **GROWTH MINDSET**

Reception: Alfie H Year 1: Harrison F

Year 2: Mazie R

Year 3: Jacob C

Year 4: Archie S Year 5: Eric P

Year 6: Abigail W



## STAR OF THE WEEK

**Reception: Millie A** 

Year 1: Beau H

Year 2: Alfie H

Year 3: Savannah H

Year 4: Effie T

Year 5: Freya T-E

Year 6: Harry J



# **VALUES AWARD**

Year 5: Ferne M

**COURAGE AWARD** 

Year 5: Beren E

# MEET THE TEACHER - 19th September



A chance for your child(ren) to show you around their new classroom, where they sit, where their peg is and what work they are doing in class.

Tuesday 19th September at 3.30pm.

Children will be dismissed as normal and as soon as the last pupil has left the teacher safely as per usual, the children can then bring you back into school.

Sport For Kids (The Year 4 will be cancelled)

Children who attend Little Foxes will be picked up by Little Foxes as normal unless we are informed otherwise.

## WORLD SPACE WEEK COMPETITION





## **Competition Time**

To celebrate World Space Week this October, we are running a competition across school.

We would like you to go outside one evening and have a really good look at the Moon (through a telescope, binoculars, your best glasses, or, if the weather is as British as we expect it to be, through a web browser...).

Once you have studied its plethora of mountains, valleys, and craters, we would like you to produce a piece of art and send it in to us (this could be of the Moon itself, or it could be something linked to the Moon: The Chanrayaan 3 space craft for example). Use any medium you wish; the bigger the better!

Please send your entries in by Wednesday 4th October.



## SCHOOL MEAL ARRANGEMENTS





We have had some issues with children swapping their lunch time arrangements without keeping the office informed.

If your child wishes to change their lunch preference <u>please advise</u> the office via email giving a week's notice.

Payment for school dinners is taken through the School Money Online Payment System.

## SCHOOL MEALS EVENTS CALENDAR 2023 - 2024

Please see the School Meals Events Calendar below, detailing events for the Year provided by the Schools Catering Service.



# **PTA NOTICES**

## **PTA AGM Announcement**

**Monday 16th October** 

7pm

In school

Everyone is invited to join us for the PTA's Annual General Meeting where we will review the results for the year and appoint the Committee for the year ahead.

## All Committee positions are open for re-election each year:

- Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer

For further information on the roles and applications or if you have any questions, please email:

## stpeters\_pta@yahoo.co.uk

The PTA holds fun events and raises funds for our school community. If you would like to volunteer, support with dedicated fund raising and planning for the Environmental Hub, be a PTA class representative or be the first to know the dates for this year's events, please come along! Refreshments will be provided.

## THE RAINBOW TEAM

# The Rainbow Team

# Safeguarding Nurture Wellbeing Behaviour

When the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between me and all living beings on Earth.

Genesis 9:16



Mrs Colley: RainbowTeam Lead

Mrs Colleu: Senior Mental Health Lead

Behaviour Lead

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Vinyard: SENCO

Mrs Harrison: EYFS / KS1 Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Davidson: Pastoral / Nurture

#### Our Early Help approach

If you feel your child could benefit from some pastoral support, do not hesitate to contact us.

Our Senior Mental Health Lead ensures that all our pupils who require pastoral care for issues such as bereavement, friendship issues, home issues and anxiety, receive time each week with our pastoral staff who offer over 8 hours of individual and small group sessions.

If you feel that your child could benefit from this offer, please contact Mrs Colley.

The team has regular meeting to discuss and measure the progress of pupils who fall into specific categories, including attendance, wellbeing issues, SEN, behavioural issues and safeguarding.

# SCHOOL OPEN DAY TOURS 2023-2024

## Parent Open Tours will take place on the following dates:

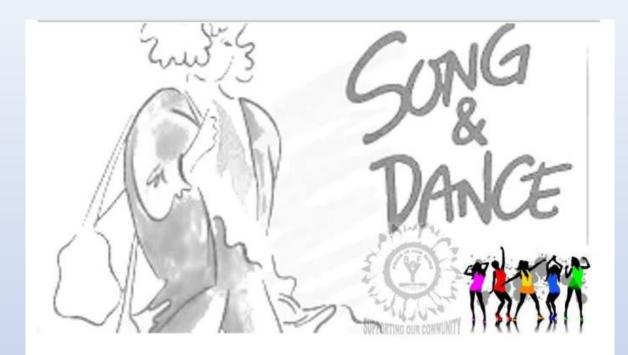
Monday, 25th September 2023 at 5.00 pm Monday, 16th October 2023 at 5.00 pm Wednesday 29th November 2023 at 5.00 pm

Please email school at <a href="mailto:stpeter@sthelens.org.uk">stpeter@sthelens.org.uk</a> to book a place.

# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**



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FREE song and dance tuition by two fantastic drama students,

# Scarlet and Sophie.

Open to boys or girls aged 8 -16.

Six lessons, culminating in a performance for friends and family.



MONDAY EVENINGS 6.30-8 PM

STARTING 6TH NOVEMBER

Refreshments are provided.

Inbox our page for a registration form or businessforyouth.nlw@gmail.com



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Monday 18th September 2023

- Afterschool Sports Club YEAR 5 & 6 (3.30pm 4.30pm)
- Girls Football After School Club YEAR 3 & 4 (3.30pm 4.30pm)

#### **Tuesday 19th September 2023**

- 'Meet the Teacher' 3.30pm (please see main body of this newsletter for details)
- Afterschool Sports Club YEAR 4 (3.30pm 4.30pm) CANCELLED THIS WEEK

## Wednesday 20th September 2023

- Afterschool Sports Club YEAR 2 ( 3.20pm-4.15pm)
- STEM Club YEAR 5 & 6 (3.30pm 4.30pm)

#### Thursday 21st September 2023

- 'All about Year 1' Meeting YEAR 1 Parents (3.35pm)
- Afterschool Sports Club YEAR 3 (3.30-4.30pm)
- Kidslingo Afterschool Club (3.30pm-4.30pm)

### Friday 15th September 2023

Afterschool Sports Club – YEAR 1 (3.20pm – 4.15pm)

#### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023

- Hope Academy Parents Roadshow YEAR 5 and 6 Parents (8.45am)
- Robinwood Parents Meeting YEAR 6 Parents (3.30pm)
- School Open Evening 5.00pm

# PLEASE NOTE THE PLAYGROUND GATES WILL BE OPEN FROM 3.10pm EACH DAY.

Please note some of these dates may be subject to change.



# MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Please could we ask that you let the school office know in advance if your child has a medical appointment.

Could we also ask that you provide the office with a paper copy or phone screen shot of the appointment and inform us what time you will be collecting/dropping off your child on the day of appointment.

# **HOLIDAY REQUESTS**

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Please note that all term time holiday requests will be unauthorised. Taking holidays during term time does have a detrimental effect on a child's education. Extended holidays in particular can be the difference between children achieving their year group objectives and not particularly if the pupil then is off for period of time with a sickness. Any pupil that falls below 94% attendance is classed as a cause for concern and will be contacted by the Education welfare Officer.

There are penalties, as set out by St Helens MBC, that could lead to up to £600 for a family of four Penalty notices - St Helens Borough Council

## **OFFICE NEWS**



### **DINNER MONEY**

If your child wishes to change their lunch preference please advise the office via email giving **a week's notice**. Payment is taken through the School Money Online Payment System.

### **UNIFORM**

Uniform can be ordered direct from Touchline UK Liverpool Rd, Warrington, WA5 1AE, 01925 413777

#### sales@touchline-embroidery.com

We also have a small number of items on the School Money site under SHOP which you can pay for then contact school to arrange for them to be sent home with your child.

#### **ABSENCE**

When reporting on the absence line, can we politely request that you leave a brief description of your child's illness rather than just saying they are unwell. If your child has vomiting or diarrhoea please note that they should not return to school for a period of 48 hours after the last incident. This is a local authority policy

Applications for Holiday Leave must be submitted to school at **least 4 week**s in advance. Forms can be found on the school website or requested from the school office. In accordance with Government and Local Authority policy, holidays taken during term time will only be authorised in **exceptional circumstances**.

## **CHANGES**

It is very important that if you change contact numbers, emails or addresses that you advise us as soon as possible. Any changes must be sent into school via email.

Thank you

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