

The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

16th December 2022

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents/Carers

This week was filled with Christmas joy as we edge closer to the end of term. We had 3 wonderful nativity performances from Key Stage 1 and Reception. They sang, danced and performed so well in front of some large audiences. The theme was Strictly Come Dancing, and it was great to see the children and parents really getting involved. A huge thank you to the parents who provided us with such great costumes, the PTA for providing refreshments and finally the staff for doing what they do so well.

Also this week, the children have enjoyed a school pantomime, Christmas jumper day, Christmas craft day, Christmas dinner and next week we will have breakfast with Santa.

School family help over Christmas - Can I draw your attention to the email I sent about bringing in food this week and on Monday. With the current economic situation facing the country, some of our families may be facing some really difficult times and difficult choices this Christmas. With this in mind, I have asked, for those who are able to, for families to bring in items of food, such as tinned and jars of food, food packets, pasta, cake, biscuits and so on. These contributions will then be split evenly between families who email in requesting help. Requests will be held in the strictest confidence and not be questioned. If you think you can help, please bring in what you can for all members of our school community.

A reminder that we finish on Wednesday 21st at 3.30pm and next week there are no after school clubs.

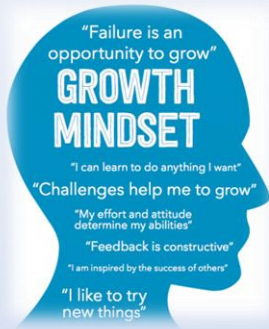
May I take this opportunity on behalf of all the staff to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Kind regards

Mr Robinson



Celebration & Congratulations



GROWTH MINDSET

Reception: Dylan Q
Year 1/2: Noah G
Year 2: Matilda S
Year 3: Effie T
Year 4: Isla C
Year 5: Danica W
Year 6: Mason M



STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Zain K
Year 1/2: Dolly F
Year 2: Jessica F
Year 3: Harry F
Year 4: Ivy L
Year 5: Marissa C
Year 6: Blakeley W



VALUES AWARD

Year 5: Declan M

COURAGE AWARD

Year 5: Florence L

CHRISTMAS DATES



DATE	ACTIVITY
Monday 19 th December	KS2 Carol Service at St Peters Church – Parents are welcome to attend and should arrive at church for 1.45pm
Tuesday 20 th December	Breakfast with Santa Christmas Parties (Christmas party clothes - appropriate clothing/footwear as children will still be playing outside)



NATIVITY PERFORMANCES





CHRISTMAS LUNCH



The Christmas festivities continued with Christmas lunch on Wednesday for both children and staff.





BEAUTY AND THE BEAST PANTOMIME



The children thoroughly enjoyed watching the Beauty and the Beast Pantomime on Thursday morning.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK

Monday 19th December 2022

- KS2 Carol Service at St Peter's Church – Parents Welcome - to arrive for 1.45pm

Tuesday 20th December 2022

- Breakfast with Santa
- Christmas Parties – Children to come to school in Christmas party clothes (appropriate clothing/footwear as children will still be playing outside)

Wednesday 21st December 2022

- School closes for Christmas holidays – School finishes at normal time

Thursday 5th January 2023

- School re-opens after Christmas Holidays
- Year 5 – Swimming (Children to bring their swimming clothes in a bag to school)

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 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

Holiday Requests

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 weeks** 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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