

The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

20th January 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / Carer,

It has been a week of success competing against other schools for St Peter's. On Monday, our finest mathematicians pitted their numerical skills against 13 other schools at Hope Academy in the UK Maths Challenge. All the local schools from Newton and surrounding areas competed for almost a whole day trying to answer difficult mathematical problems. I am pleased to say that our clever little team romped away with the trophy, with the highest ever score. The school is very proud of them, and they showed their trophies in assembly the next day.

The week ended for me with the Year 6 girls football team bursting through my door singing and dancing 'We are number one, we are number one' It could only have meant one thing. They had won the St Helens Girls Football Tournament. This was the big one with all the schools across the Authority having the chance to enter. Well done to the girls for bringing home the first sporting trophy of the year. We have got to lots of finals recently, but just missed out each time. They will now go on to represent St Helens in a Merseyside schools' competition.

Strike Action

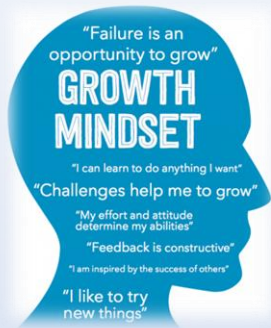
On Wednesday 1st February 2023, members of the National Education Union will be taking industrial action. Listening to other head teachers, I believe that quite a few schools will close. St Peter's could potentially have 75% of teachers out. This obviously leaves us in quite a precarious position. Safeguarding and Health and Safety are the predetermining factors, and I will be putting forward plans to the Governors depending on how many teachers are intending to take action.

It is imperative that you plan for your child(ren) for that day and presume that they are not in school until told otherwise.

Year 6 are due to go to Young Voices on the day of action. We are awaiting to hear from them as to what will happen and if they intend to proceed. As soon as we know, I will inform you.

Mr Robinson

Celebration & Congratulations



GROWTH MINDSET

Reception: Ruari P
Year 1/2: Luis A
Year 2: Jessica F
Year 3: Melodie P
Year 4: Eleanor C
Year 5: Samuel L
Year 6: Elijah R



STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Daniel M
Year 1/2: Jorja M
Year 2: Mia P
Year 3: Charlie C
Year 4: Amelia H
Year 5: Ruby P
Year 6: Phoebe C



VALUES AWARD

Year 5: Fynden A

COURAGE AWARD

Year 5: Jonah A

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

**Luke Mc
Florence L**



HOPE ACADEMY UK MATHS CHALLENGE



GIRLS FOOTBALL



NUMBER DAY



On **Friday 3rd February** we want to raise awareness and support the NSPCC.

All children may 'Dress up for Digits' and have a fun-filled afternoon of maths activities and games, while raising money to support services such as 'Speak out, Stay safe' and Childline. Children may donate £1 and wear clothes with numbers on, make numbers to wear or even be a digit!

The money you raise could help the NSPCC run its Speak out Stay safe programme to help children understand what abuse is and what to do if they're scared or worried.

Have a look on the webpage for more information. [Number Day 2023 | NSPCC](#)

Donations welcome via School Money. Thank you!



SPORTS 4 KIDS – FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Booking is now open for the holiday camp at St Peter's during this February Half Term. *Please book with Sport 4 Kids.*

SPORT4KIDS FEB HALF TERM
WELLBEING WEEK CAMPS
MONDAY 13TH – FRIDAY 17TH FEB
 AVAILABLE FOR AGES 4 – 12
 8AM-6PM

S4K

We are delighted to announce that we will be running four S4K 'Wellbeing Week' Camps across the North West area during the February Half Term! Our camps offer a wide range of activities, provided by specialist coaches which are fun, engaging and designed to help bring high quality and technical sports development for all. Camps are sure to fill up quickly so book today to avoid missing out!

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Birchley St Mary's Primary School, WN5 7QJ
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St Peter's C of E Primary School, WA12 9UR
 Contact: charlotte.dodson@sport4kids.biz

St Peter & Paul Primary School, WA11 9AT
 Contact: joshua.anderton@sport4kids.biz (AGES 5-12)

Book your place via www.sport4kids.biz/camps or scan the QR code above the for your specific camp. Payment is made online by credit or debit card. If you have any questions, please feel free to give us a call on 0300 303 3866 or email enquiries@sport4kids.biz. It is essential you register online before the start of the camp so that we have an accurate record of all the children attending as well as contact details and medical records. This is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children in Sport4Kids care. We thank you for your co-operation.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES



CARERS TRUST
St Helens Carers Centre

ST. HELENS PARENT CARER FORUM

For parents and carers of children and young people (from birth to 25) with SEND (Special Educational Needs and/or Disability) in St. Helens

Forum meetings are a great way for you to meet other parents, find out about local services and share your views, so that local services meet the needs of your children and young people.

The forum is run by parent carers for parent carers

Thursday 9th February 2023

**Mercure Hotel St. Helens
Linkway West, WA10 1NG**

**Daytime
10.00 – 14.00**

Arrival from 09.30 for refreshments and a buffet lunch will be served at 13.00

**Evening
18.00 – 20.15**

Arrival from 17.30 for a light supper. Forum starts at 18.00

Parking is available at the venue. You need to log your car registration number at reception upon arrival.

IMPORTANT

Booking is essential, please ring the Carers Centre on 01744 675615 or email info@sthelenscarers.org.uk

If nearer the time you are unable to attend, please cancel your place. This will help us to keep costs down and continue to do what we do.

St Helens Local Offer Information Day

For Parent Carers of Children and Young People with SEND (Special Educational Needs or Disability) from birth to age 25

LA Education and School Ageservices	Play and Support Groups	Early Years Services	Post 16 Services
Social Care Services	Further Education Providers	Health Service Providers	Local Charities

Thursday 9th March 2023

Daytime: 10:30am - 2:00pm

Evening: 5:30pm - 7:30pm

At St Helens Town Hall, Victoria Square,
St Helens, WA10 1HP

No need to book!
Drop in anytime to find out how local services can support you and your family



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 23rd January 2023

- KS2 Girls Football Afterschool Club: 3.30-4.30pm
- Year 2 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 24th January 2023

- Year 4 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 25th January 2023

- Year 1 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.15-4.15pm
- KS2 Netball Afterschool Club: 3.30 -4.30pm

Thursday 26th January 2023

- Year 5 – Swimming
- Year 5 & 6 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30-4.30pm
- Year 3 & 4 STEM Club: 3.30-4.30pm
- Kidslingo Club: 3.30-4.30pm

Friday 27th January 2023

- Year 3 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30-4.30pm

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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