

# The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

17<sup>th</sup> March 2023

## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / Carer,

During a disrupted week, it was a pleasure to be able to organise a lovely experience for our Reception children. This week, we had visits from parents who talked to the children about their jobs. A huge thank you to those who came in, the pupils loved every minute of it and they were able to excitedly tell me lots of things they had learned. Having parents in school doing things like this is always a pleasure and really benefits our children's personal development.

We will be doing this once more in the Summer Term when we hold this year's **Inspiration and Aspiration Week**. Similar to what happened in Reception, we are asking for parents / carers to come in and talk to classes about what they do for a job. It doesn't matter what your job is, all the children find it fascinating, and I know the volunteers we had last year and this week really enjoyed the experience.

The idea of Inspiration and Aspiration week is to inspire pupils to think big and to give them something to aspire to in the future. I am particularly interested in widening the horizons and ambitions of our girls, ensuring that they know that nothing is impossible, and they can be whatever they want to be. If you feel that you would like to come in and talk to our children, please email the school. The week starts on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June through to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and we can have visitors in the morning and afternoon. If you did this last year, we would love you to come again to talk to another set of pupils.

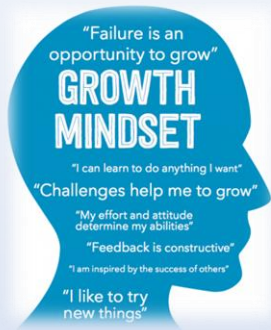
Last Friday we said goodbye to Mrs Thorley who has now left our school and moved on to pastures new. We would like to thank her for all she has done at St Peter's and wish her all the very best for the future.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Robinson



# Celebration & Congratulations



## GROWTH MINDSET

**Reception: Oscar K**  
**Year 1/2: Luis A**  
**Year 2: Harrison D**  
**Year 3: Ava L**  
**Year 4: Martha F**  
**Year 5: Florence L**  
**Year 6: Jess C**



## STAR OF THE WEEK

**Reception: Dylan Q**  
**Year 1/2: Theo Mc**  
**Year 2: Cece G**  
**Year 3: Jacob F**  
**Year 4: Heidi H**  
**Year 5: Jorgie W**  
**Year 6: Lily F**



## VALUES AWARD

**Year 5: Charlotte D**

## COURAGE AWARD

**Year 5: Danica W**

# *Inspiration and Aspiration Week*

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June  
2023

## Can you help?

We are looking for parents to come into school and talk to pupils about what they do for a living, what their job involves, what they enjoy about it and what they had to do to get there.



### What is the about?

This week will give children an opportunity to hear about different careers, industries and hobbies. We would like children to feel inspired and think about their hopes for the future. We will look at resilience, self-belief and determination and remind children that they can achieve whatever they want out of life with a 'Yes, I can' approach.

If you came last year, we would love you to come again to talk to a new set of children.

If you would like to help or would like more information, please contact Mr. Robinson via email: [stpeter@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:stpeter@sthelens.org.uk)



'The child grew and became strong in body, mind and spirit'





# SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN SESSIONS

School Nurse Drop in sessions will be taking place over the next 6 weeks. A booking system is in place if you would like to book an appointment. Appointments can either take place in school or via a telephone consultation.

The first drop in session date will be **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March**.

Appointments will be available between **2.00 – 3.00pm**. Each appointment will be 15 minutes in duration.

If you would like to book an appointment please contact the school office by either telephone or email: [stpeter@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:stpeter@sthelens.org.uk)

## SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN SESSION

*School Nurse Team are providing sessions  
offering advice and support on a range of topics including:*

**Healthy Eating**

**Behavioural problems**

**Head lice**

**Hygiene - Hand washing and Oral Health**

**Bed Wetting**

**Hearing and Vision**

**Height/Weight Management**

**Immunisations**

**Emotional Health**

**or any other health related concerns you may have regarding your child.**

**Available to all parents and pupils.**

**Ask at School Reception for more information, upcoming dates and appointments.**

**Parents seen on a 15 minute appointment basis in a confidential environment.**

St Helen's 0-19 Team  
Contact Number: 01744 624321

Please find further information  
about our offer at:

[https://www.wchc.nhs.uk/  
services/school-nursing-wirral/](https://www.wchc.nhs.uk/services/school-nursing-wirral/)



**NHS**  
Wirral Community  
Health and Care  
NHS Foundation Trust

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### ST PETER'S CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTICE

Join us on **Good Friday from 10am in church** for a series of crafts related to Holy Week, followed by a short, outdoor service in Willow Park.

To help us plan resources, please reserve tickets before Sat 1 April at:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/good-friday-crafts-tickets-582344687637>

## COMMUNITY NOTICES



### PARENT CARERS

Listen 4 Change would like to invite you to a Short Breaks consultation event!

This is an opportunity for you to inform the Local Authority of what services our children and young people with disabilities need to reduce their social isolation, to provide them with enjoyable experiences and to give parent carers and families a valuable break from their caring responsibilities.

**Wednesday 22nd March 2023**

**10.00 – 12.00**

Arrival from 09.30 for refreshments

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

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

#### **IMPORTANT**

Booking is essential. Please book direct by going to our website at [www.listen4change.org](http://www.listen4change.org)

If nearer the time you are unable to attend, please cancel your place by emailing: [lesleebasaga@sthelenscarers.org.uk](mailto:lesleebasaga@sthelenscarers.org.uk)

This will help us to keep costs down and enable us to continue to do what we do.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

Please see below for a free mental health webinar for parents and carers. To register please click on the link.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-helens-discover-kooth-qwell-for-parents-and-carers-tickets-549424352027>



# Discover Kooth & Qwell

For parents and carers in St Helens

7pm Tues 4th April  
Register today: <https://bit.ly/3yroKHY>

An introduction to the free, safe & anonymous mental health support available online for young people and adults in Knowsley.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES



**ST HELENS  
LOCAL AUTISM AND SOCIAL  
COMMUNICATION SERVICE  
YEAR 6 TRANSITION  
ONLINE PARENT SESSIONS**



If your child is due to transition to High School in September 2023, we would love you to join us on our online sessions to share tips and advice.

At this time of year you will have completed applications to name your 3 preferred high school places, in light of this we felt it was important to offer you support to be able to effectively plan the next steps of your journey.

LASCS focus is towards children with Social Communication differences or those who have a diagnosis of Autism, but we recognise that many of the strategies discussed work for most children who require that little bit of additional support.

Note that the sessions are directed to parents/carers and not to the young people:

**A Helping Hand**  
Friday 24th March 2023 - 12:30 - 13:30

**The Finish Line is in Sight!**  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 - 12:30 - 13:30

For further information or to register an interest, please email us [LASCstransitions@sthelens.gov.uk](mailto:LASCstransitions@sthelens.gov.uk)

*Together, we can make a difference! We look forward to meeting you.*



## PTA NOTICES

The next **PTA meeting** will be held on **Thursday 30th March, 6.30pm at the Pied Bull**, everyone welcome as we start plans for the summer fair.

Look out for the Smarties challenge which will be sent home just before the Easter break.

Any questions please email [stpeters\\_pta@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stpeters_pta@yahoo.co.uk)

Thank you

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

- Reception – Aqualease Rockpool Experience
- KS2 Girls Football Afterschool Club: 3.30-4.30pm
- Year 2 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.15-4.15pm

### **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023**

- Year 4 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30-4.30pm

### **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023**

- Year 3 – Liverpool World Museum Trip
- Year 6 SATS parent meeting – 3.30pm
- KS2 Netball Afterschool Club: 3.30 -4.30pm
- Year 1 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm

### **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023**

- Year 4 – Swimming
- Year 2 SATS parent meeting – 4.30pm
- Year 5 and 6 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30 – 4.30pm
- Kidslingo Club: 3.30-4.30pm

### **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

- Year 3 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm





## 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

# 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](mailto: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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