

The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

22nd September 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / carer,

This week, we added some more activities for lunchtime to keep the children busy and active. A buzz of excitement filled the air as we unravelled the new golf putting green, and the queue was so long we may have to buy another. We also have an area that our sports leaders hold competitions in. Quoits, netball shooting, hula hoops and skittles are all held in that area with a prize at the end for the winner. In such a small playground, we have done our best to give pupils a variety of activities that they can access. A typical lunchtime will have:

- Sports for Kids in the cage: The coach will take a class each day and play lots of games, keeping strictly away from football.
- New sheds for reading and reflection, drawing and Lego building.
- A sports leader activity area with lots of competitions
- Basketball post
- Putting green

The sports competitions against other schools have now started and our Year 3 did very well, coming fourth in a St Helens dodgeball tournament. We have also had several trips to Newton Library. They listened to a session on Roald Dahl, read some books and spent some lovely time having a look around.

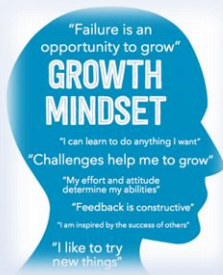
Our head girl, Florence has produced a poster for all our parents to look at about parking around school. She is concerned about the parking on yellow lines and the dropping off on white zigzag lines. If you receive this newsletter but don't do the school run, could you please pass on the message about safe parking around school.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Robinson



Celebration & Congratulations



GROWTH MINDSET

STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Sarah L
Year 1: Zain K
Year 2: Nancy H
Year 3: Luis A
Year 4: Jonathan H
Year 5: Isla C
Year 6: Lewis J

Reception: Camille A
Year 1: Katie E
Year 2: Dexter B
Year 3: Verity F
Year 4: Amber H
Year 5: Charlotte J
Year 6: Florence L



VALUES AWARD

Year 5: Lalitha S



HEADTEACHERS AWARD

Emily B – Year 5

WORLD SPACE WEEK COMPETITION



 **World Space Week** OCTOBER 4-10

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.



CALLING ALL PAST PUPILS

Message for all past pupils:

We would love to hear about our former students and what they are doing now. Are they studying, are they working? We want to celebrate their successes with a display here in school which may motivate and inspire our current pupils! Photos are welcome too.

Please could you let Mrs Littlewood know by emailing her:

Tracy.Littlewood@sthelens.org.uk



PARKING SAFETY



Please be mindful when parking around the school area and park considerately and safely.

Please be aware of and adhere to road markings and do not park in any unauthorised areas or loading bays.





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 please advise 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.

Schools Catering Service

2023/24



28th September 2023
VEG POWER!
SIMPLY VEG SHOWCASE

Celebrating and encouraging us all to eat more veg.
A campaign by 'Veg Power'



6th - 10th November 2023
LACA - NATIONAL SCHOOL MEALS WEEK

An annual celebration by LACA



12th November 2023
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Honouring those who have served. (Actual day 11th November)



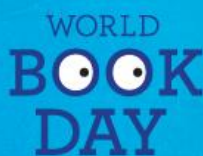
Across December
CHRISTMAS LUNCH

A traditional Christmas lunch



25th January 2024
BURNS NIGHT

A Scottish staple celebrating the poet Robert Burns



7th March 2024
WORLD BOOK DAY

Bringing iconic stories to the table



8th - 17th March 2024
BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

Celebrating science within the UK and our fantastic achievements



28th April 2024
NATIONAL SUPERHERO DAY

Fuel to save the world



10th May 2024
WOMEN'S FA CUP FINAL

Football themed menu as 11 vs 11 play at Wembley (Actual day 12th May)



17th July 2024
PARIS SUMMER OLYMPICS 2024

Starting 26th July, a huge sporting event bringing together nations from across the globe



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 Colley:	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 stpeter@sthelens.org.uk to book a place.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Hope Academy
A joint Catholic & Church of England Academy

TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER THROUGH LOVE

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 27th September 2023
5:00pm – 8:00pm

Leadership Presentations 5:00pm & 6:30pm
NO BOOKING REQUIRED

OPEN MORNINGS

Wednesday 18th October 2023 9:15am – 10:00am
Wednesday 25th October 2023 9:15am – 10:00am
Online booking required as spaces are limited



01744 671930
www.hopeacademy.org.uk

LINK TO PROSPECTUS

Hope Academy
Ashton Road
Newton-le-Willows
WA12 0AQ

COMMUNITY NOTICES



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.



CROWNWAY COMMUNITY CENTRE

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 25th September 2023

- Hope Academy Parents Roadshow : Year 5 & 6 parents (8.45am, School Hall)
- 3.30pm - Robinwood Parents Meeting: Year 6 Parents
- School Open Evening: 5.00pm
- Afterschool Sports Club: YEAR 5 & 6 (3.30pm – 4.30pm)
- Girls Football After School Club: YEAR 3 & 4 (3.30pm – 4.30pm)

Tuesday 26th September 2023

- Afterschool Sports Club: YEAR 4 (3.30pm – 4.30pm)

Wednesday 27th September 2023

- Afterschool Sports Club: YEAR 2 (3.20pm-4.15pm)
- STEM Club: YEAR 5 & 6 (3.30pm – 4.30pm) – **CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Thursday 28th September 2023

- Afterschool Sports Club: YEAR 3 (3.30-4.30pm)
- Kidslingo Afterschool Club (3.30pm-4.30pm)

Friday 29th September 2023

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

ADVANCED NOTICE:

Monday 2nd October 2023

- 3.35pm – EYFS Parent Workshop

Thursday 5th October 2023

- School Photographs – Individual and siblings

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

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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