

The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

27th October 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / Carer,

This long half term has come to an end and as we look back, it has been as busy as ever. It was a pleasure this week to welcome the RNLI back into school. The school council handed over a cheque for £214.80 raised in July through a cake sale. The representative also recapped on safety around water, what the lifeguard flags mean and what the RNLI do.

We now have 25 clubs and extracurricular opportunities on offer spanning the school year groups. Further to my emails this week, you should have received the timetable for our Superstars after school sports clubs. In addition to this, Superstars are also putting on a Lego Club for each year group and a sewing club for Year 6 – both are chargeable like Kidslingo and Mad Science. Other clubs on offer for various year groups are reading, chess, girls' football, and the Crest Award. Enrolment for a Christmas school holiday camp after new year is also now live.

Finally, the community said a very sad farewell to Sam Ashworth this week. Sam will be forever remembered as an inspirational young boy who touched the hearts of everyone. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

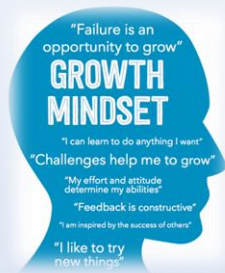
Have a lovely half term holiday

Mr Paul Robinson

Headteacher



Celebration & Congratulations



GROWTH MINDSET

Reception: Alice W
Year 1: Noah C
Year 2: Ananda S
Year 3: Jorja M
Year 4: George M
Year 5: Deacon M
Year 6: Florence L



STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Noah D
Year 1: Archie H
Year 2: Zachary T
Year 3: Cece G
Year 4: Noah B
Year 5: Laylah B
Year 6: Sebastian Q



VALUES AWARD

Year 5: Bethan W

COURAGE AWARD

Year 1: Penny McC
Year 2: Oskar P-E
Year 3: Callen T
Year 4: Jacob F
Year 5: Jasmine A
Year 6: Archie L



HEADTEACHERS AWARD

Year 4: Oscar L



YEAR 3 BOYS FOOTBALL



On Tuesday some of our Year 3 boys attended a football tournament at Sutton Leisure. Well done boys.

GIRLS AFTERSCHOOL FOOTBALL



The girls afterschool football club will change after half term to be for **Year 5 and 6**.

Therefore there will be no afterschool football for **Years 3 and 4** after half term.

The football club will only start from **Monday 13th November** so there will be no club on the first day back after half term.

RNLI VISIT



On Monday we had a visit from the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) where our School Council handed over our school donation cheque of £214.80 raised from our cake sale in July.

START/END OF SCHOOL DAY NOTICE

Please ensure that your children stay off the wooden trail at the start and end of the day. This seems to be a particular problem with KS1 and Reception as they wait for siblings. Our health and safety policy and risk assessment requires this to happen.

At the start of the day you may see some children having issues making the final step entering school. Some may cry or be sick and the school is aware of all these pupils and help in many ways. There is no need to be concerned if you see this.

We all know that parking around most schools is next to impossible, and we are no different, especially with a staff car park that takes just 6 cars. However this doesn't negate our responsibilities to park safely and in a reasonable manner. I received an image recently of a car that was so far on the path that you had to turn sideways to get through. Please ensure we keep our school community safe, by parking sensibly, driving slowly on the surrounding roads and not dropping off directly opposite the school gates. One option is parking on the church car park (free for 3 hours) and using the crossing opposite Verona's to cross over



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Primary School

PTA MEETING

**Monday
6th November**

**Location: Riddling Rack
from 6:30pm / start at 7pm**

**or join us on Teams
(see PTA Facebook page for the link)**

Our Agenda

- Christmas Movie Night planning
- PTA class representatives
- Church Christmas Fair support



St Peter's Newton PTA

SCHOOL OPEN DAY TOURS 2023-2024

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

Wednesday 29th November 2023 at 5.00 pm

Please email school at stpeter@sthelens.org.uk to book a place.

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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 6th November 2023

- Mad Science: **KS1 (3.20pm – 4.20pm)**
- Afterschool Sports Club: **YEAR 5 & 6 (3.30pm – 4.30pm)**
- **CANCELLED TODAY** - Girls Football After School Club: **YEAR 5 & 6 (3.30pm – 4.30pm)**
- PTA Meeting – Riddling Rack 6.30pm to start at 7.00pm

Tuesday 7th November 2023

- Bags for School collection – Please leave any donations on the playground by 9.00am
- Reception class trip to Croxteth Farm
- Afterschool Sports Club: **YEAR 4 (3.30pm – 4.30pm)**
- LEGO Club: **YEAR 1 & 2 (3.15pm – 4.15pm)** (*Bookings to be made directly with Superstars*)

Wednesday 8th November 2023

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

Thursday 9th November 2023

- Year 6 - Swimming
- Afterschool Sports Club: **YEAR 3 (3.30-4.30pm)**
- Kidslingo Afterschool Club (3.30pm-4.30pm)
- Sewing Club: **YEAR 6 (3.30pm – 4.30pm)** (*Bookings to be made directly with Superstars*)

Friday 10th November 2023

- Afterschool Sports Club: **YEAR 1 (3.20pm – 4.15pm)**
- LEGO Club: **YEAR 3,4,5,6 (3.30pm – 4.30pm)** (*Bookings to be made directly with Superstars*)

**PLEASE NOTE THE PLAYGROUND GATES
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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