

The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

1st December 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / Carer

The festive season is now upon us. The start of school in a warm September doesn't seem that long ago and yet the cold and frost have now settled in for the winter. There will be, as usual, a lovely surprise for the pupils on Monday morning as they walk into a school full of Christmas trees and lights.

The preparations for the nativity are under way and yesterday, Year 2 went to All Saints Church to take part in a 'Christmas Journey' where the pupils visited six scenes from the story to experience the nativity and its relevance today.

Well done to our entrepreneurial Year 6 pupils who have been selling toys on the playground at the end of school. There was plenty of noise as they pulled in some passing trade to sell their wares. Thank you also to the parents who attended and hopefully some money was made for their end of year leaving party.

A huge thank you to the PTA for a lovely event on Wednesday. The KS1 Movie night was a great success. It is KS2 next Wednesday. Please buy your tickets from the PTA as soon as possible.

Finally, the Police and PCSO have been making a few visits before and after school and will be stepping this up next week. Please park safely to keep our children safe.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Robinson
Headteacher



Celebration & Congratulations



GROWTH MINDSET

Reception: Camille A
Year 1: Archie McD
Year 2: Penny K
Year 3: Hassan R
Year 4: Jacob F
Year 5: Henry C
Year 6: Jorja R-W

STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Lois H
Year 1: Bradley S
Year 2: Kenzie A
Year 3: Freddy L-G
Year 4: Emily B
Year 5: Grace T
Year 6: Angus N



VALUES AWARD

Year 1: Oliver M
Year 2: Emily S
Year 3: Morrie E
Year 5: Charlotte J
Year 6: Jorgie W

COURAGE AWARD

Reception: Dean T
Year 1: Alex Z
Year 2: Dexter B
Year 3: Emily E
Year 4: George M
Year 5: Laylah B

PARKING NOTICE



Parking on Yellow Lines

Unfortunately , we have received reports that some pupils are being dropped off and picked up on the school yellow Zig Zag lines. Parking on yellow zig-zags puts children at risk, there are lots of children running around, buggy congestion and little ones on scooters and bikes. We see poor parking every day, however, parking on the yellow lines is another level with regards to keeping our children safe. Please use the church car park if you can't find a space.

This has been reported to the police and they will be conducting random checks.



Christmas Movie Nights

Wear your P-Js or onesie and bring your teddy, pillow and throw for a snuggly, magical Christmas Movie night.

REMINDER

JUNIOR MOVIE NIGHT

Juniors (Y3 - Y6)
Wed 6th December
6:15pm to 8:15pm

PRE-ORDER
[SNACK BAGS £4
HOT DOGS £1]

ONLINE SALES ONLY!!

www.pta-events.co.uk/stpeters-pta

Shhhh....

Can you help Santa?

We are wrapping gifts, for the Santa's Breakfast, during the Christmas Movie Nights and need some elves to help.

★ Please sign up via the Christmas Movie Night online booking and select 'volunteer'.

Thank You





CAN YOU BE MORE ECO FRIENDLY THIS CHRISTMAS?



**JACK
AND THE
BEANSTALK**

**TAKE PART
IN OUR
INTERACTIVE
ADVENT CALENDAR
FROM 1ST-12TH
DECEMBER
AND ENTER OUR
COMPETITION
TO WIN A
FAMILY TICKET
TO THE
PANTOMIME!**

WWW.SOUTHPORTECOCENTRE.COM



St Helens

Santa Dash 2023




DATE: SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2023
TIME: 11AM START
VENUE: VICTORIA PARK, WA10 2UE
CHRISTMAS STARTS HERE!

ST HELENS
BOROUGH COUNCIL

What do I need to know?



HOW FAR? The route is 4km long.

DO I HAVE TO RUN? Absolutely not - this is a fun, family-friendly event. You can walk, jog or skip your way round.

HOW DO I REGISTER? You can register online by scanning the QR code to the left, or visit: <http://bit.ly/sthelenssantadash2023>

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR? Safe footwear is a must, then whatever you feel comfortable and are able to walk/jog in. Fancy dress is welcomed.

HOW MUCH IS IT TO ENTER? £5 for adults and £2 for children aged 5-18 years. Children under 5 are welcome free of charge. Every paying participant will receive a Santa hat to wear on route, plus a medal when you finish. If you would like a Santa hat and medal for a child under 5, you are welcome to pay the £2 if you wish. If you have any further questions, please phone the Active Lives & Sports Development Team on 01744 675403 or email markhurst@sthelens.gov.uk

THE BFY CHRISTMAS PARTY



**NEWTON FUNCTION ROOMS,
Patterson Street, Earlestown**

**THIS EVENT IS FREE TO ALL CHILDREN OF N-LE-W
AGED 5 AND ABOVE**

10TH DECEMBER, 12-3PM

ENTERTAINMENT



**PARTY GAMES
FREE RAFFLE
FOOD AND DRINK
THE ZANY BFY CREW
PRESENTS**



**FATHER AND MOTHER CHRISTMAS
MARTIN TURNER MUSIC**



If your child has been to our summer games or craft club, just inbox their name. Otherwise, a form can be sent to you.



SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY



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(INBOX OUR FB PAGE or
email businessforyouth.nlw@gmail.com)



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 4 th DECEMBER 2023		
Rock Steady Concert	By invitation only (For the parents of children who participate in Rock Steady)	2.15 – 2.45pm (Via Mercer Street Entrance)
Mad Science	KS1	3.20 – 4.20pm
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 5 & 6	3.30 – 4.30pm
Girls Football Club	Year 4,5, 6	3.30 – 4.30pm
TUESDAY 5 th DECEMBER 2023		
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 4	3.30 – 4.30pm
LEGO Club (Superstars)	Year 1 & 2	3.15 – 4.15pm
WEDNESDAY 6 th DECEMBER 2023		
Movie Night	JUNIORS	6.15 – 8.15pm
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 2	3.20 – 4.15pm
STEM CLUB	Cancelled until further notice	
THURSDAY 7 th DECEMBER 2023		
Swimming	Year 6	
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 3	3.30 – 4.30pm
Kidslingo	Years 1,2,3	3.30 – 4.30pm
Sewing Club (Superstars)	Year 6	3.30 – 4.30pm
FRIDAY 8 th DECEMBER 2023		
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 1	3.20 – 4.15pm
LEGO Club (Superstars)	Year 3,4,5,6	3.30 4.30pm

Advanced Notice:

MONDAY 11 th DECEMBER 2023		
Year 5 Christmas Workshop	Year 5	9.30am Hope Academy

Please note some of these dates may be subject to change.

PLEASE NOTE THE PLAYGROUND GATES WILL BE OPEN FROM 3.10pm EACH DAY.



CHRISTMAS DATES

2023 - 2024



DATE	ACTIVITY
Monday 11 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal <i>(Reception/Year 1/Year 2)</i>
Wednesday 13 th December	Nativity – 9.30am <i>(Reception/Year 1/Year 2)</i> Nativity – 6.30pm <i>(Reception/Year 1/Year 2)</i>
Thursday 14 th December	Christmas Pantomime
Thursday 14 th December	Nativity – 2.00pm <i>(Reception/Year 1/Year 2)</i>
Friday 15 th December	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Craft Day Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 19 th December	Carol Service Practice <i>(Children only)</i>
Wednesday 20 th December	KS2 Carol Service – 2.00pm, St Peter's Church <i>(Parents welcome)</i>
Friday 22 nd December	Christmas Party Day <i>(Children to come into school wearing Christmas themed clothing)</i> Breakfast with Santa



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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