



# **The Keys Newsletter**

# 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

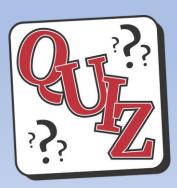
MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

From time to time, I am asked to show people around the school. This is for a variety of reasons, including parents / carers wanting to change school, other schools having a look around or prospective families choosing a school. I have done this twice this week and the same themes were mentioned, as they always are – how quiet and calm it is, how well our pupils are working and how polite they are.

You often lose sight of the children and the standards they maintain, so it is always lovely to hear off almost every visitor the same comments and messages about our school, our pupils and your children



Many congratulations to our Year 5 Quiz team who came second the annual Hope Academy Quiz Kids competition. They lost out to a tie break question, however they did brilliantly and were a credit to the school.





# **Celebration & Congratulations**



## **GROWTH MINDSET**

Sarah – Reception Kayden –Y1 Kenzie – Y2 Luis – Y3 Charlie C – Y4 Laylah – Y5 Noah S - Y6



## **STAR OF THE WEEK**

Alice – Reception Millie W – Y1 Dominic B - Y2 Isabelle T E -Y3 Ethan C – Y4 Isla C – Y5 Rasmus K - Y6



### **VALUES AWARD**

Arne T Buddy D Anwen W Deacon M Amelie R



## **COURAGE AWARD**

Teddy K Zoe G-D Sam L Heidi H Joseph D Jack W Katie E

# **ART COMPETITION**









School Council Art Competition!

We are excited to tell you about an art competition which is open to all our pupils. The theme is 'Local Plants and Animals' and winning entries will be displayed permanently in our new Eco-Hub classroom on the field.

Any artwork is acceptable – any size, any media/materials or style. We want models, sculptures, paintings, collages etc. Our only rule is that the art reflects the wildlife/plants in our local area – hedgehogs, bumble bees, willow trees...

No giraffes!

Please ask Heidi Hitchmough and Sophie Edwards (Y5 Art Ambassadors) if you need any more information.

Entries to Mrs. Littlewood by 17th May please.

Get creating...

School Council & Mrs. Littlewood

# School Office:

A reminder that we are down to just Miss Blackledge in the office for the moment. Please be patient with regards to answering the phone, responding to emails and answering the door.

It would be helpful if you ensured pupils do not forget any items which you have to bring into the office.

Thank you





# Coffee Morning

# **Special Education Needs and Disabilities**

We are hosting a coffee morning for parents and carers who would like an informal opportunity to speak with staff, agencies and other parents/carers about Special Educational Needs. There will be a number of presentations and talks from a variety of agencies that we work with.

Date: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June Time: 9.30am

Please use the link or QR code to submit if you can or cannot attend

https://forms.office.com/e/heNk10mE92







There will be a <u>School Nurse Drop-In Session</u> taking place on:

# WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE 2024

The nurse will be available for appointments between 2.00pm – 3.00pm. Appointments are 15 minute slots.

If you would like to make an appointment to see the school nurse please contact the school office to book.







#### St Peter's School Newton PTA Events Calendar

Summer Term 1		
W/C 15th April 2024		
Read-a-thon	Monday 15th April to Friday 17th May	
Disco	Thursday 23rd May	
Read-a-thon Winners Announcement	Friday 24th May	
Father's Day Gift Donations	Friday 24th May	
End: Friday 24th May 2024		

Summer Term 2 W/C 3rd June 2024			
Father's Day Shop	Friday 7th June		
Sweet Jar Donations	Friday 14th June		
Cake Donations	Friday 21st June		
Summer Fun Day	Saturday 22nd June (12pm - 4pm)		
Bag2School	Thursday 4th July		
Summer Disco	Thursday 4th July		
End: Friday 19th July 2024			

Summer Holiday		







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

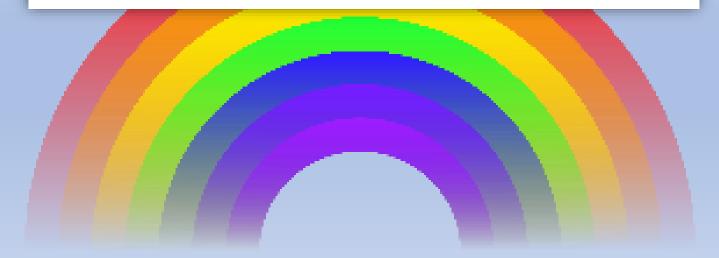
#### Our Early Help approach

#### 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 – BANK HOLIDAY				
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 5 and Year 6	3.30 – 4.30pm		
Girls Football with Mrs Grace	Year 3, 4 & 6	3.30 – 4.30pm		
KS2 Lego Club	Year 3,4,5 & 6	3.30 – 4.30pm		
TUESDAY				
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 4	3.30 – 4.30pm		
KS1 Lego Club	Year 1 & 2	3.15 – 4.15pm		
WEDNESDAY				
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 2	2.15 – 4.15pm		
Sewing Club	Year 4 & 5	3.30 -4.30pm		
STEM CLUB	Year 5 and 6 – Pupils will be informed if they have a place.	3.30 – 4.30pm		
THURSDAY				
Swimming	Year 4	Please remember to bring swimming costume and a towel in a separate bag.		
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 3	3.30 – 4.30pm		
Kidslingo	Year 1,2,3	3.30 – 4.30pm		
FRIDAY				
Sports Club (Superstars)	Year 1	3.15 – 4.15pm		



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

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



# 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 <u>Penalty notices - St Helens Borough Council</u>

## Attendance:

Whole School Target 98%

Current Attendance 96.7%



...being in school at least 95% of the



### **DINNER MONEY**

If your child wishes to change their lunch preference please advise the office via email giving <u>a week's notice</u>. 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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