



# The Keys Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> September2024

Dear Parent / Carer,

On behalf of all the staff, we hope you have had a wonderful summer holiday and welcome you back to the start of the new school year.

We particularly welcome our new pupils into Reception. They have settled in well and most seem to be taking things in their stride as they start the beginning of their sevenyear journey through school. They have met and had lunch with their Year 6 buddies already and I'm not sure who was more excited, Reception or Year 6! On Tuesday morning, we would like to invite all Reception parents to a welcome coffee morning, where you can meet other parents / carers and teachers. You can enter via the Little Foxes entrance at 9.05am.

I am pleased to inform you that over the summer we were awarded our School Games Gold Award that recognises the work schools do to promote sport, games and healthy lifestyles. Once again, we have plenty planned extracurricular wise, with Kidslingo, Superstars Lego, STEM Club. Mad Science, The Crest Award and Environment Hub Club, all scheduled to start at some point in the term. Next week, our Superstars after school multi sports starts for years 1 – 6 so please be sure to book via the MS Forms link we sent you.

Education has been in the press again recently. A reminder that new legislation for taking holidays during term time has now become even stricter, so please read the letter I have sent you carefully. On the first day back, we learned that school will now no longer be given Ofsted grades such as 'Outstanding' and 'Good'. As usual, the staff will continue to give their all to ensure all our pupils are given the very best we can in all areas of school life.

We have already had our first complaints about parking. A reminder that when you are on the school run, could you park sensibly and not over the edge of corners on junctions, not in front of resident's paths, and not on the zig zags in front of school. Please also have full control of your children as they walk to school.

Finally, we have added a few more pages to our website. We have a page dedicated to our Enviro Hub, with films and images of the wildlife that enters our school field in the dead of night. Can you spot the fox?

Have a lovely weekend Mr Robinson





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:	n: EYFS / KS1 Deputy Safeguarding Lead	
Mrs Davidson:	Pastoral / Nurture	

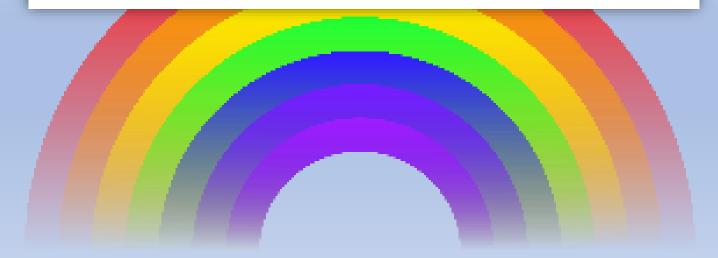
#### Our Early Help approach

#### 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.





# **GROWTH MINDSET**

Luke - Year 1 Beau - Year 2 Dolly – Year 3 Marianna – Year 4 Iona – Year 5 Freya – Year 6

## STAR OF THE WEEK

Phoebe – Reception Rowan – Year 1 Daniel – Year 2 Betty – Year 3 Luis – Year 4 Oscar – Year 5 Sophie & Sophie – Year 6 So proud of these 2 girls for making it to the final of Newton's Got Talent. Isla with a great dance performance and Layla for coming 3rd for her amazing gymnastic performance.

Well done girls...St Peters really does have talent.







healthy lifestyle opportunities.





Asda Rewards – Cashpot for Schools

On Tuesday we signed up for the ASDA cashpot for schools - if you add St Peter's as your nominated school on the ASDA rewards app, then we can earn cash rewards every time you shop.

We have raised over £80 already, and it does not affect your own Asda Reward cash pot! Please see the details below...



#### **Reception Coffee Morning**

We have a coffee morning for the parents and guardians of our new Reception class on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September from 9am in the hall.

Entrance via the Little Foxes door on Mercer Street.

#### **Meet the Teacher Events**

We have the opportunity for parents and guardians to meet the teachers next week. The class open days begin at 3.30pm each day; please enter via the playground.

Key Stage 1 – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September

Key Stage 2 – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September

#### **Medication To be Administered During School Hours**

Just a polite reminder, parents need to take all medicines to the school office so the relevant paperwork can be completed. We can only administer medication prescribed for use 4 times throughout the day.

Please do not pass any medicines to staff on the playgrounds.

Many thanks for your understanding.





This week, we were treated to an assembly by *Mad Science*. The theme was 'science in sport': we considered reaction times, aerodynamic capes and even held an Olympic opening ceremony complete with flaming torch and cauldron. Mad Science will be running afterschool clubs this half term for Years 1-6. You can sign up using the link on the letter your child is bringing home today. Mad Science have devised a completely new curriculum of clubs, so those who have attended before can look forward to brand new, exciting 'Mad' science.

#### Saturday Board Games at St Peter's Church

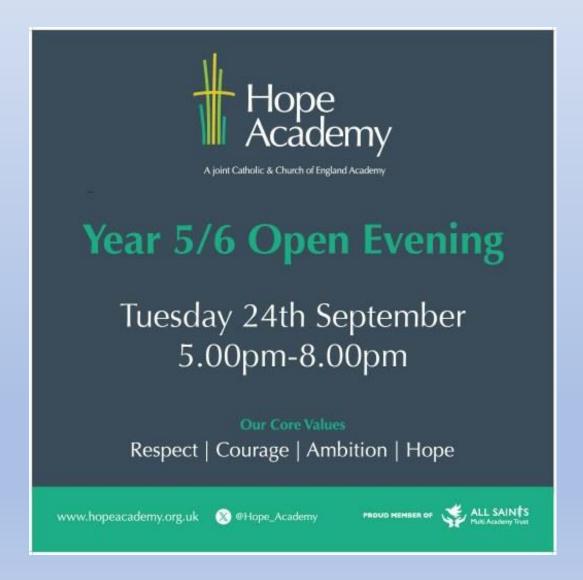
The board games hour in St Peter's Church annex will starting again on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September, from 10.30am til 11.30am.



### Hope Academy Primary School Roadshow – Year 5 & 6

Staff from Hope Academy are touring the local primary schools later this month and will be visiting us on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September. Parents and guardians of Year 5 & 6 pupils are invited to attend at 9.05am (entrance via Little Foxes), and the pupils will meet with the Hope Academy team later in the morning.

There is also an open evening at Hope Academy on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September.



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event	Date
Rock Steady lessons commence	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September
Reception Coffee Morning	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September – 9.05am
Meet the Teachers / Class Open Event – Key Stage 1	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September – 3.30pm
Lego Club commences	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September
Kidslingo sessions commence	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September
Meet the Teachers / Class Open Event – Key Stage 2	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> September – 3.30pm
Hope Academy Y5 & Y6 Parent Roadshow	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September - 9.05am
Flu Vaccinations	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September - AM
Tempest School Photographs	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October

# AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

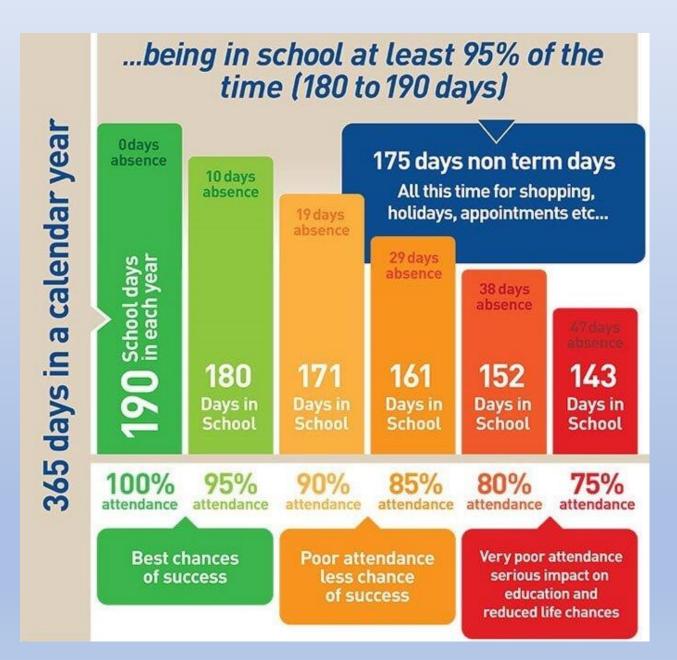
MONDAY				
Multi sports (Superstars)	Year 5 and Year 6	3.30 – 4.30pm		
TUESDAY				
Multi sports (Superstars)	Year 3	3.30 – 4.30pm		
Lego Club	Year 1, 2, 3 & 4	3.30 – 4.30pm		
WEDNESDAY				
Multi sports (Superstars)	Year 2	3.20 – 4.15pm		
THURSDAY				
Multi sports (Superstars)	Year 1	3.20 – 4.15pm		
Kidslingo	Year 1, 2 & 3	3.30 - 4.30pm		
FRIDAY				
Multi sports (Superstars)	Year 4	3.15 – 4.15pm		

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

# Attendance

Whole School Target: 98% Current Average Whole School Attendance: 99.6%

Please note that from September 2024, Government Legislation will change and the current 10-day rule before a fixed penalty is to move to 5 days. We will update our policy as and when we receive more information and inform you.





#### **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, please email <u>stpeter@sthelens.org.uk</u> if you are having issues accessing the 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 week**s 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

# **Contact Details**

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