

# The Keys Newsletter

### 28th February 2025

Dear Parent / Carer,

Next week promises to be a busy and exciting one, with World Book Day taking centre stage. A quick reminder that this will take place on Wednesday, not Friday. As always, we like to go the extra mile with these events, and this year we are focusing the day around a very special book called The Lost Words by Robert Macfarlane and Jackie Morris. You can preview the book using this link: Lostwordsbook | The Lost Words

As mentioned in Mr. Badley's letter, pupils are not required to dress up for World Book Day. Instead, they should come in clothes suitable for exploring, as we'll be spending time in school, in our Eco Hub area, and venturing further afield.

We're also excited to remind you that our Scholastic Book Fair will be running next week. This is a wonderful opportunity to inspire and enhance our children's love of reading.

A huge well done to our Year 3 football team this week! They played some fantastic games and represented the school brilliantly, We are lucky to have so many talented children at our school, and one shining example is Harry from Year 5, who continues to excel in golf. During half term, he placed fifteenth in the World Junior Golf Championships, an incredible achievement! Congratulations, Harry.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Robinson Headteacher







George & George - Reception
Jude - Year 1
Lucinda - Year 3
Hattie - Year 4
Archie - Year 5







#### **GROWTH MINDSET**

#### STAR OF THE WEEK

Benjamin - Reception Pippa - Year 1 Archie - Year 2 Alfie - Year 3 Hugo - Year 4 Mia - Year 5 Grace - Year 6



Iris - Reception Audrey - Year 1 Eddie - Year 2 Dolly - Year 3 Hattie - Year 4 Noah - Year 5 Isaac - Year 6

#### **VALUES**



Amelie – Love & Respect – Reception

Alice - Trust - Year 1

Ahmed - Love - Year 2

Kaden – Love – Year 3

Josie - Trust - Year 4

Charlie C - Respect - Year 5

Ferne – Trust – Year 6



Harry Francis played in the World Junior Golf Championships in the holidays. Harry did really well competing with some of the best children in the world, he was top 10 for long periods and went on to finish 15th out of 30th that qualified.

Well done Harry we're very proud of your achievements.

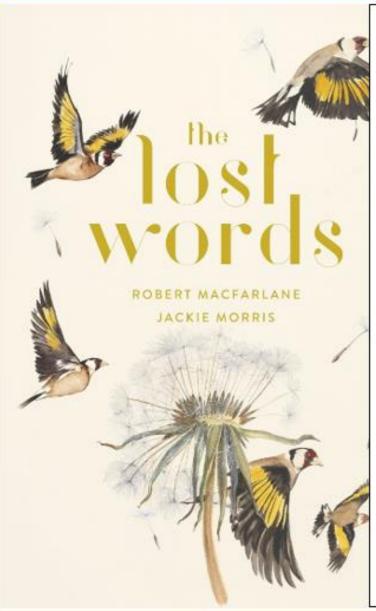








# BOOK DAY



Our theme this year is 'The Lost Words'.

The Lost Words, by Robert Macfarlane and Jackie Morris, was created in response to the removal of several nature-related words (like "acorn," "bluebell," and "kingfisher") from the Oxford Junior Dictionary which reflected how modern life was shifting children's attention away from the natural environment.

We are going to celebrate those lost words by reconnecting with nature and our local wildlife out and about in Newton

Please come to school in comfy clothes (e.g. trainers and tracksuits that you don't mind getting muddy) that will be great for exploring and reconnecting with wildlife.

At home, why not ask your child what new words they've learnt. Even better, ask them to take you to see 'the words' out and about in Newton.

# Wednesday 5th March

# St. Peter's Geography Competition 2025

# Where, how and why?

# Design a poster showing where in the world you would like to visit

Where, how and why?



Where? Where might you want to travel to? Give a geographical overview of the place that you would like to visit - either local or much further afield. What are the key physical and human features there?



How? How would you get there and what reasons might you give for the type/s of transport you might use? Is your chosen place a short walk away or somewhere that would require transport to take you beyond the UK.

**Why?** What makes your chosen place geographically interesting, important or meaningful to you?

Entries should be handed in to your class teacher by

1pm on Friday 28th March

Prize winners will be announced during assembly the following week

Good luck- we can't wait to see your thoughts for an amazing place to visit

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

EVENT	DATE
Scholastic Book Fairs	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March to Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March
World Book Day	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March
Reception Hearing Screening	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> March
<ul><li>Year 3 only –</li><li>St Peter's PTA non uniform day</li></ul>	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 only – please bring Mother's Day gift donations
St Peter's PTA non uniform day	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March - please bring Mother's Day gift donations
Y3 Trip to Manchester Museum	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March
Y6 Parents SATs Meeting	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March – straight after school in Y6 classroom
Reception – Aqualease Visit	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March
St Peter's PTA Mother's Day Shop	Friday 21st March
Y6 Trip to Tatton Hall	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March
Geography Poster – closing date	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March
Rocksteady Concert	Monday 31st March – 2pm
Parents Evening – not Year 3	Monday 31st March - more information to follow
Parents Evening – all years	Tuesday 1st April - more information to follow
Parents Evening – Year 3 only	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April - more information to follow
Y5 Easter Journey	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
Last day of term	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April





#### 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 Vinuard: SENCO

Mrs Harrison: EYFS / KS1 Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Davidson: Pastoral / Nurture

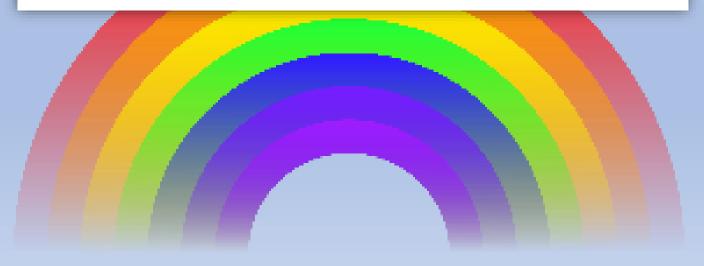
#### Our Early Help approach

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.

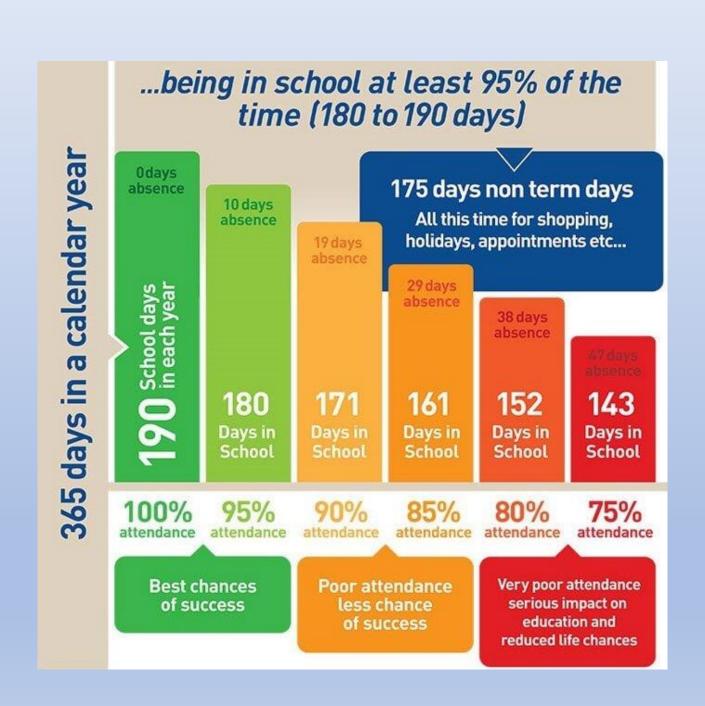
The team has regular meeting to discuss and measure the progress of pupils who fall into specific categories, including attendance, wellbeing issues, SEN, behavioural issues and safeguarding.



# Attendance

Whole School Target: 98%

Current Average Whole School Attendance: 97.5%



#### **OFFICE NEWS**



#### **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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# **I**SCHOLASTIC



Your pop-up school book shop!

#### St Peter's School Book Fair

- 3<sup>rd</sup> March- 7<sup>th</sup> March
- Before and after school in the playground
- Hundreds of brand-new books added
- Card payments only
- All proceeds to the school library

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only – no cash
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**TUESDAY 4TH OF MARCH** 



DESSERT OF THE DAY (CAN YOU GUESS?)

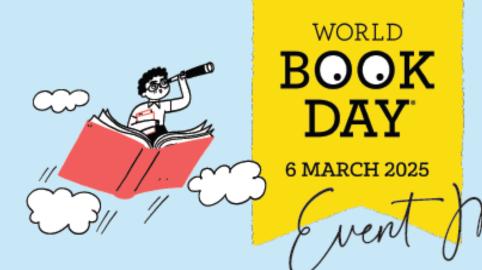


**PANCAKES WITH BANANAS** 









### "Raining Meatballs"

(Judi Barrett - Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs)
Meatball Marinara Panini with Crispy Diced Potatoes
(Vegetarian Option available)

# "Snozzcumbers Sticks"

(Roald Dahl – The BFG)
Cucumber and Carrot Sticks

#### "QUEEN OF HEARTS' JAM TARTS"

(Lewis Carrol – Through the Looking Glass)

Jam Tarts





Orange Juice











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Please send us a request to keep up to date with news/events/reminders!



# ST HELENS LIBRARY SERVICE

### Newton-le-Willows Library

#### What's On in March 2025

Speak to library staff for more information

Lego Club: Animals Challenge londay 3 March 3:30pm

Monday 3 March 3:30pm-4:30pm

To mark World Wildlife Day we're asking you to build your best Lego Animals. Show us your favourite builds and win a certificate.

Drop in.

Under 5s Craft - Daffodils Wednesday 5 March 11:15am-11:45am

A host of golden daffodils! This month's under 5s craft has a daffodil-themed story and craft to welcome in the Spring.

Drop in.

World Book Day Thursday 6 March 3:30pm-4:30pm

Come to the library dressed as your favourite character to celebrate World Book Day 2025. There will be a prize for the best costume. There will also be a book-themed treasure hunt.

Drop in.

Craft Club: Peppa Pig Crafts Monday 10 March 4pm-5pm

For Craft Club we have some wonderful Peppa Pig themed crafts. There will also be a treasure hunt to complete.

Drop in.

Board Games & Mahjong Group

Monday 17 March 3pm-6pm

Find the board game for you – we have a great selection including Pokemon Battle Academy, Ages 4+

An adult group are learning to play Mahjong – this session will start at 3pm.

Drop in.

Additional events

Story Explorers – Saturday 15 March 10:30am-11:15am

Our junior reading group. Discuss books and make new friends. 8-11 year olds

> CHAMPS – Saturday 22 March 10:30am-11:15am

An activity-based session for male carers and children.

Crow Lane East, Newton le Willows, WA12 9TU Contact: 01744 677 885 or newtonlewillowslibrary@sthelens.gov.uk







