



ST PETER'S
C.E. Primary School



The Keys Newsletter

19th November 2021

Message from St Peter's

Dear Parent / Carer,

Working in a school is often a fast-paced experience with so many things going on at the same time, the children are kept busy and timetabled for lessons, breaks and lots of other activities that make up the school day. It was therefore a lovely experience for all our school to stop and reflect as we took part in our remembrance service last week and this continued on Sunday when representatives of our school attended a number of services to pay their respects.

Staff and pupils attended St Peter's Church and I attended the walk to the Cenotaph along with pupils where we laid a wreath. It was particularly hearting to see so many of our children, past and present attend with most being in uniformed organisations. A huge well done to all.

As a school, we are sad to lose a member of staff this week. Mr Wallis, a firm favourite to all is moving to pastures new. We wish him the best of luck in all he does.

The St Peter's Award Scheme is gaining pace and we now have 90% of junior's children actively taking part in it. This a great opportunity for children to engage in a wide range of activities and really improve their own personal development and resilience. A reminder that they do not have to tick all their tasks to achieve the award and many of the them they can do in school.

One of the tasks is to read at least four times a week and log it in their school reading record. In reality, if we want our children to do well in their reading, helping them to read both in and out of school is a priority and creating a love of reading is essential. This week, we had a local author in school who engaged all the children with reading from his books and a bit of singing to go with it also.

Mrs Harrison will be conducting an online phonics workshop for our reception parents on Monday and if you haven't had your invite for that please contact her. We plan to do more workshops for children further up the school in the coming months.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Robinson



If for any reason your child missed the flu vaccination yesterday there will be drop in sessions held in December, on the 17th, 20th and 21st 9.30am-12.30pm and 1.10pm-3.30pm at the Ashton Green Clinic, St Helens. You would need to complete the e consent prior to attending the clinic. Any queries call 01744 684353. Thank you.

<https://forms.merseycare.nhs.uk/flu-vaccination>

New Reception Tours

We will be holding one more tour of school for those children who are due to start Reception in September 2022.

This tour will take place out of school hours.

Please telephone 01744 678630 or Email stpeter@sthelens.org.uk to book a place

1. Wednesday 1st Dec 4.30pm.

Please note there is a limited number allowed on the remaining tour so booking is advisable.

Thank you

Children In Need

How totally amazing did the children look today. Thank you so much to all those who have already made a donation. The School Money Payment will stay open all weekend if you had not had chance yet to donate. Thank you once again for all your support.



St Peter's Church Christmas Fair

On **Saturday 27th November** St Peter's Church will be holding its annual Christmas Fair to raise much needed funds for the Church. The event will run from 11am to 3pm

To help out, the church has asked for contributions to the refreshment/cake stall and the wine stall.

If you are able, on **Friday 26th November**, could you send into school a bottle of wine or a cake, which will be collected and taken over to church.

Alternatively you could drop the cakes off at church on Saturday morning.

Can we ask that you mark your cake clearly if it contains nuts.



As always your support is greatly appreciated.



Christmas Craft Fair



St Peter's Church

Saturday 27th November

11am – 3pm

Local Crafters

plus

Santa's Grotto

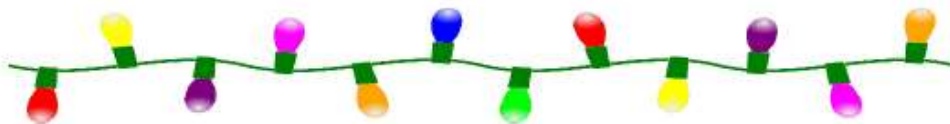
Tombola's

Games

Home-made cakes

Refreshments

Raffle's



Registered Charity No: 1133794

PTA News

Bags2School

Having a clear out? Then bag up your old clothes, pairs of shoes, bags, soft toys, towels and bedding and bring them to the playground on the mornings of Thursday 25th or 26th November. They will be collected and reused/recycled and the PTA is paid per kilo for them. Bags and more details will be sent home with the children in the days before.

Film Night

Years 1 to 6 are invited to put your PJs on, bring a blanket and come and join us in the school hall to watch a Christmas film. Don't forget a pillow and your favourite cuddly toy!

Years 1 & 2 - Wednesday 8 December - Arthur Christmas

Years 3 to 6 - Thursday 9 December - Christmas Chronicles

£3 gets you a wrist band colour coordinated with your snack bag choice and you can add a hotdog for an extra 50p.

Doors will open at 6:00pm and the film will start at 6:15pm, pick up will be 8pm from the side door. Please be mindful that your child is happy to sit through a 1hr 45min film.

ONLINE PURCHASING NOW LIVE!

We are really excited to be trying out a new way of working using an online platform. Just go to www.pta-events.co.uk/stpeters-pta

Any queries please email stpeters_pta@yahoo.org.

PTA LOTTERY CLUB

Lottery Club application forms were sent home last week, please take the time to consider supporting the PTA with the added chance of winning in the monthly draw
Thank you.



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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Covid-19

Can we please stress if you or a member of your household show any symptoms of Covid-19 **you must remain at home and get a test.**

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/check-if-you-have-coronavirus-symptoms/or> by phoning 111

If you or your children have any symptoms you MUST take a PCR test not a Lateral Flow Test

To arrange a test call 119 or go to the website <https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test>

Further information is available on <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>