

The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

14th October 2022

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / Carer,

We started the week with Mental Health Awareness Day on Monday. I took a whole school assembly on the role of our Rainbow Team, who cover behaviour, safeguarding, nurture and wellbeing. The children listened very carefully as we talked about the team and in particular the role of our nurture team of Mrs Davidson, Mrs Wilcox and Mrs Colley. Mrs Colley is a qualified senior mental health lead and Mrs Wilcox and Mrs Davison have wide and varied training in nurture and wellbeing issues. The children asked a lot of very thoughtful questions and were very engaged in what the Rainbow Team could do for them.

If you feel your child would benefit from talking and having sessions with our team, please contact Mrs Colley.

I have had a number of complaints from local businesses, particularly the carpark for Capelli opposite the school on Mercer Street about parked cars. Please have consideration for our neighbours when parking. Also, we have had reports of cars driving far too fast, cutting corners and not taking due care and attention when approaching the school to drop off pupils. The 20mph signs are there to keep all our children and families safe, please stick to it.

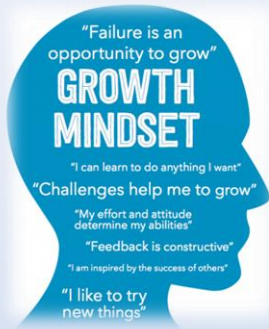
Finally, well done to our Year 4 boys football team that were so unlucky not to make the final at the St Helens schools' tournament. They lost out on goal difference. Next up is our Year 4 girls football team who I will be taking today.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Robinson



Celebration & Congratulations



GROWTH MINDSET

Reception: Alan M
Year 1/2: Emily S
Year 2: Marianna W
Year 3: Zoe GD
Year 4: Tilly C
Year 5: Fynden A
Year 6: Mikayla SJ



STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Hollie C
Year 1/2: Dominic B
Year 2: Oliver H
Year 3: Amber H
Year 4: Deacon M
Year 5: Jorja RW
Year 6: Paige R



VALUES AWARD

Year 5: Jonah

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS



Well done to our Year 4 Football team this week who put on another magnificent St Peter's Performance, losing out on goal difference to get to the final of the St Helens School Year 4 Tournament. *Well done boys!*

Our 4 girls will be competing today.

PARENTS EVENING

Parents Evening will be taking place as a face-to-face meeting in school on:

Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th October 2022.
Year 6 appointments will take place on Wednesday 19th October and Thursday 20th October 2022.

Please note:

- Year 1 and Year 2 class (Mr Moorcroft/Mrs Bebbington) have an additional session on Thursday 20th October (3.40-5.00pm)
- Year 4 have an additional session on Thursday 20th October (3.40-5.00pm)

Parents Evening appointments will need to be booked through 'School Spider'

Booking slots remain open until Monday 17th October 2022 at 4.00pm for you to book your appointment.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS



School photographs can be ordered from the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

The closing date for **free delivery** of photographs back to school is **Thursday 20th October 2022.**

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, please contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

WATER BOTTLES

We have had quite a few books that have been damaged by water from water bottles. Could we ask that your child carries their water bottle by hand please rather than in their bag. We have spent thousands of pounds on new reading books.

Damaged and lost books will have to be charged for as part of our charging policy in school.

NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

Speaking to our children about the positives and negatives of social media is an important element of keeping them safe. By creating an open dialogue from early on, children will be more likely to approach a trusted adult when, and if, problems arise in the future. Here are some hints and tips from NOS about keeping safe on social media. These are aimed at children but can be used as conversation starters instead. Remember to sign up to NOS for a wealth of knowledge around all things related to online safety <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/st-peter-s-cofe-primary-school-3>

NOS National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

12 Social Media Online Safety Tips FOR CHILDREN WITH NEW DEVICES

With Christmas only a few weeks away, many of you will be using social media to share your excitement with friends and family. Being active on social media is a great way to show others how much fun you're having, but it's important that you know how to use these apps safely and securely so that bad things don't happen. By following our safety tips below, you can make sure that your personal information stays private, your postings are positive and that your social media use overall is responsible, healthy and most of all enjoyable.

- 1 DON'T ACCEPT FRIEND REQUESTS FROM STRANGERS**
Make sure that you set your profile to private so that people you don't know can't find you online. Always tell a trusted adult if a stranger or somebody you don't know sends you a message or a friend request.
- 2 NEVER SHARE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION WITH PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW**
Keep your personal information personal. Sometime people online aren't always who they say they are and might ask you to share things that you don't feel comfortable sharing.
- 3 DON'T SHARE EMBARRASSING PHOTOS OR VIDEOS OF OTHERS ONLINE**
This could really upset them and could get you into a lot of trouble. Always think twice before posting anything on social media and treat people online as you would in real-life.
- 4 NEVER SEND NAKED PICTURES OF YOURSELF TO OTHERS**
This is illegal if you are under 18 and you could get into trouble with the Police. If you are being pressured by someone, always say no and tell a trusted adult. Even if you think it is innocent fun, the photo could be shared with other people and you won't be able to control who else sees it.
- 5 CREATE A POSITIVE ONLINE REPUTATION**
Always be kind and polite when posting comments on social media and only upload pictures and videos of things you are proud of. This forms part of your digital footprint. Everything you do online can be tracked and monitored and could affect what people think of you in real-life if it is negative.
- 6 LIMIT YOUR SCREEN TIME**
Social media can be addictive, and it is easy to keep checking newsfeeds or your notifications every 5 minutes which can affect your behaviour and stop you from doing other things. Remember to only use your phone at certain times of the day, turn notifications off at bedtime and go out and have as fun as much as possible. This will keep you fit and healthy and make you appreciate there's more to life than just what's on social media.
- 7 BLOCK ONLINE BULLIES**
Sometimes people might say nasty things to you online or post offensive comments on your pictures or videos. If this happens, always tell a trusted adult who will help you block them from your profile and support you in taking further action.
- 8 REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**
If you see something on social media that you don't like, offends you or upsets you, you should always report it to a trusted adult. You should also report it to the social media app who will be able to remove the content if it is against their user policy and can block the person who posted it.
- 9 ONLY USE APPS WHICH YOU ARE OLD ENOUGH TO USE**
Before downloading any new social media app, always check the age-rating. If you need help, ask your parent or carer to make sure that the app is safe for you to use and never download anything which you are too young for as it may contain content that isn't safe for you to see.
- 10 ALWAYS SECURE ALL YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA PROFILES WITH A PASSWORD**
This will help to keep your private information safe and won't allow others to access your profiles without your permission. Make sure your passwords are memorable and personal to you but something which other people can't guess, and always share them with your parents just in case you forget them.
- 11 ASK PARENTS TO SET-UP 'PARENTAL CONTROLS' FOR SOCIAL MEDIA**
When you download a social media app, you should always ask a trusted adult to help you set it up for the first time. This will help you control who sees what you post, who can contact you and make sure you are able to enjoy using the app safely and securely.
- 12 ALWAYS TALK TO YOUR TRUSTED ADULT IF SOCIAL MEDIA IS MAKING YOU UNHAPPY**
Sometimes, social media can make us feel bad about ourselves or sad that we aren't the same as someone else or doing the same things as someone else. Remember, if you ever feel this way, it's really important to talk to your trusted adult(s) like your parents, carers, other adult family members or a teacher, all of whom will be able to support you and discuss your feelings with you to help make you feel better.

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SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS



Open Evening



St Peter's C of E Primary School



New intake tours for September 2023

- Monday 17th October: 4.45pm
- Wednesday 2nd November: 4.45pm
- Wednesday 14th December: 4.45pm

Book for an appointment: stpeter@sthelens.org.uk
Tel: 01744 678630



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](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 17th October 2022

- Y5 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30 – 4.30pm

Tuesday 18th October 2022

- **CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEK** - Y4 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30 – 4.30pm
- Parents Evening – Reception, Y1/2, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5

Wednesday 19th October 2022

- **CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEK** - STEM Club Y3 &Y4: 3.30 – 4.30pm
- **CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEK** - Eco Club: 3.30 – 4.00pm
- **CANCELLED FOR THIS WEEK** - Y1 & Y2 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm
- Parents Evening – All Years

Thursday 20th October 2022

- Y1, Y2, Y3 Kidslingo: 3.30 – 4.30pm
- Y6 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30 – 4.30pm
- Parents Evening – Year 6
- Parents Evening - Additional session Year 1/Year 2 class (3.40-5.00pm)
- Parents Evening – Additional session Year 4 (3.40-5.00pm)

Friday 21st October 2022

- Y3 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30 – 4.30pm
- School closes for half term

Monday 31st October 2022

- School opens after half term

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



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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