

The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

4th November 2022

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent/Carer

This week we had our Neon disco, thank you very much to the PTA who do all the organising for this event. The children had a great time, and they were very disappointed that it had to come to an end at 8pm which is a sure sign that they enjoyed themselves.

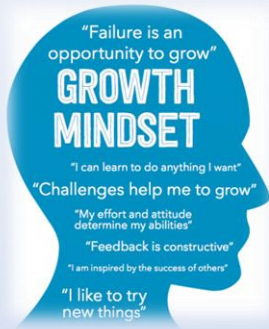
Some of you may have seen the recent publication about Parkside that was delivered to your doors last week. Can I first of all apologise that you had to open the page and see a picture of me with some quotes during the school holidays! I was asked to join the Parkside Forum by the developers because at the time I was the Head teacher of the nearest school and I have other links in the community. The idea is that the forum works with and challenges Parkside and local councillors about what they promised and how it affects the local community. I am informed what's planned, when and how it's going to happen. People's views are varied on Parkside, and I've told them mine. However, they like that, because I will bring up concerns that I and many others have about the issues of increased traffic, wildlife, air pollution, local job creation, impact on our school and so on. Please be assured that this is not a political role. I am, like you, part of the local community and as the Head teacher of one of the closest schools to Parkside, will act as a conduit between the community and the developers. I will also be informing all the other Newton and Winwick schools of any developments. So far, I've challenged them on interacting with local schools more and ensuring that our children are part of the development process for the ponds and tree planting that will take place when that stage arrives. If you have any concerns or complaints about the construction work that is going on, mud on the roads for example, you can let me know and I have a direct line to the person who will deal with it. I won't be getting involved in anything political or the planning process, that is for the Local Authority and council leaders to deal with. My time on this forum is also outside of school hours and in my own time.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Robinson



Celebration & Congratulations



GROWTH MINDSET

Reception: Ava G
Year 1/2: Noah G
Year 2: Theo R
Year 3: Jacob F
Year 4: Grace T
Year 5: Rasmus K
Year 6: Mia U



STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Harrison F
Year 1/2: Millie N
Year 2: Sienna R
Year 3: Jackson M
Year 4: Sophie E
Year 5: Daniel S
Year 6: Emma M



VALUES AWARD

Year 5: Ruby P

COURAGE AWARD

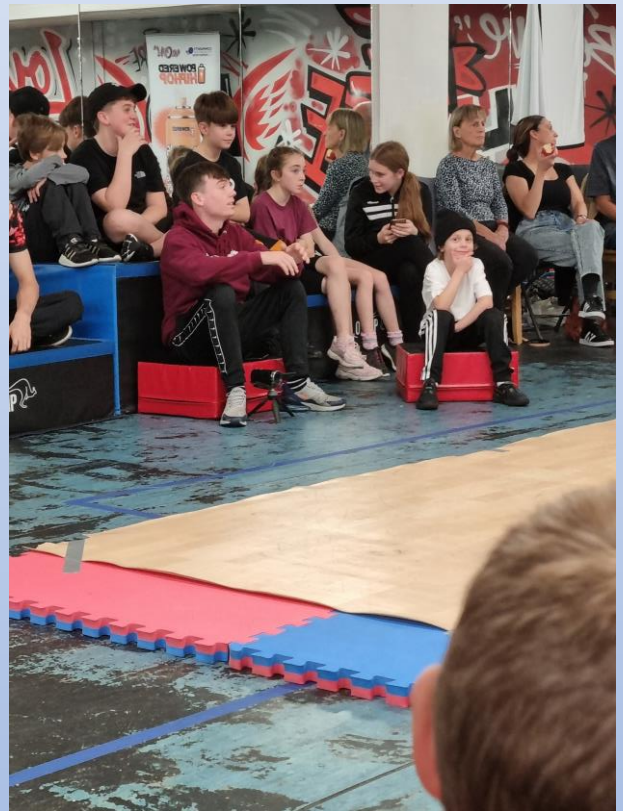
Year 5: Harry J

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS



Well done to Jacob who took part in the regional championships breakdancing competition at MD creatives in St.Helens.

Jacob took 1st place in his category!



AUTHOR VISIT – Sean Perkins



We had a special visit from author Sean Perkins this week who came into school to read us his latest release '**Oscar and Ben – The Birthday Party**'. This is the second book in the Oscar and Ben series.

We are excited to offer you the opportunity to purchase a signed copy of this new release.

The school will be taking orders up until **11th November** and Sean will deliver the signed copies to school. There is also the opportunity to purchase his first book. A letter and book order slip has been sent home and you can order either one book or both books. The books are priced at £8.00 each or you can purchase both books for £15.00. Book order slips should be sent into class with your child.

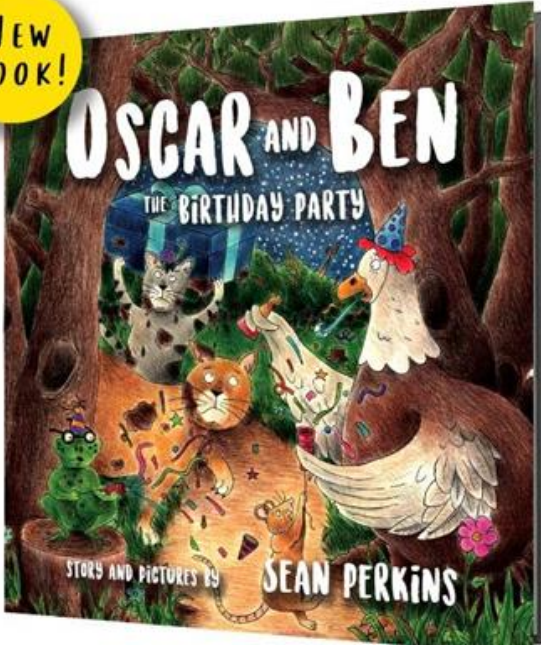
Payment will then need to be made for the books through the 'shop' on School Money.

Sean's Latest Book

OSCAR AND BEN

THE BIRTHDAY PARTY

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Sean's First Book

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www.seanperkinsauthor.com

The promotional graphic features two book covers. The larger cover on the left is for 'Oscar and Ben: The Birthday Party', showing a festive scene with a turkey, a cat, and a frog in a forest. A yellow circular badge on the left says 'NEW BOOK!'. The smaller cover on the right is for the first book, 'Oscar and Ben', showing the characters by a stream. The author's name 'SEAN PERKINS' is visible on both covers. The website 'www.seanperkinsauthor.com' is printed at the bottom.

BAGS 2 SCHOOL



Leaflets have been sent home regarding the clothing collection from Bags 2 School. The collection date will be: **FRIDAY 25th NOVEMBER 2022**. If you have any good quality, unwanted clothing items please bring to the playground in a plastic bag on the morning of Friday 25th November.

Please note we are unable to take any collection items prior to this date.

OWN CLOTHES DAY



Own clothes day

Friday 11th November



On Friday 11th November, children are invited to come into school wearing their own clothes accompanied with a **jar of sweets** which will go towards the St Peter's Church Christmas Fair

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St Peter's Church Christingle Service

Join us for our Crafty Christingle on ***Sunday 4th December*** at **16:00 hrs.**

Make your own Christingle and Christmas crafts and sing carols.

To help us make sure we've got enough resources, please book your free tickets by following the Eventbrite link below.

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/crafty-christingle-tickets-455139934797>



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 7th November 2022

- Y5 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30pm – 4.30pm
- KS2 Girls Football Club: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Tuesday 8th November 2022

- Y4 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Wednesday 9th November 2022

- Reception Trip to Croxteth Farm
- Year 3 Stone Age Workshop
- Year 6 Robinwood Parent meeting – 3.45pm
- Eco Club: 3.30pm – 4.00pm
- Y1 & Y2 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Thursday 10th November 2022

- Year 6 Swimming
- Y1, Y2, Y3 Kidslingo: 3.30pm – 4.30pm
- Y6 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Friday 11th November 2022

- Own Clothes Day – Bring a Sweet Jar
- Y3 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30pm – 4.30pm
- Mad Science Afterschool Club

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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