



The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

19th May 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / Carer,

The personal development of our pupils is one of our main priorities and we have a full curriculum covering many aspects of this area. This week was a great example of what we do.

On Monday, Year 6 visited Edge Hill University. They listened to lectures about what life was like, what happens there and what it takes to go to university. They had a full tour of all the facilities and took part in some Mandarin Language and Science lessons. Of course, not all our children will go to higher education, their paths will be wide and varied, however it is important that we enable our pupils to think about their futures, even if it seems far in the distance at the moment.

Also on Monday, Reception to Year 4 had a lesson each on Road Safety. The St Helens Road Safety team are great resource and highlight all issues around children's safety. There was a lot of interesting comments from the children, notably the parking around school making it difficult to cross roads.

Yesterday, we took Year 1 and 2 to Knowsley Safari Park. We had a fantastic time, and all the children behaved perfectly. There are always highlights on trips like this, however feeding time for the tigers was a great experience, as was the Bird of Prey display.

It was disco time last night. Can I thank all the helpers who came in to help. It was, as always, lovely to see the pupils enjoy themselves.

As I write this, our team of invisibles (Year 6 Girls Football) are just heading off for another tournament. I'm sure they will do well, as always.

Just a note on home time. I have noticed children are starting to play on the equipment again despite three big red signs asking for them not to. Please ensure children do not use the equipment or run around the caged pitch. Year 6 are still working at this time and it's very distracting, also it breaches our health and safety rules.

Dogs: Ever since we put up signs about no dogs being allowed on the playground, more dogs seem to be appearing. If you bring a dog, you should wait on the opposite side of the road for your child(ren) to appear. Not all our children like dogs and some are afraid of them. Please do not bring them onto the playground even if you think your dog would cause no harm to anyone.

Have a lovely weekend



Celebration & Congratulations



GROWTH MINDSET

Reception: Ruari P Year 3: Charlie C Year 4: Henry C Year 5: Harry Cl Year 6: Mia U



STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Anwen W Year 3 : Emily B Year 4: Martha F Year 5: Seb Q Year 6: Blakeley W

VALUES AWARD

Year 5: Frazer P



COURAGE AWARD

Year 5: Ruby P

ST PETER'S BRONZE AWARD

Ethan C Jakob P-E Harry F Charlie K Jonathan H Amber H

ST PETER'S SILVER AWARD

Emilia W Seth B Niall B Charlotte J Freya T-E

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Angus N Dolly F Hannah P

PTA NOTICES





This will take place on **Saturday 17**th **June between 12 noon and 4pm**. As per last year there will be a BBQ, a bar, games, teachers race, cake and refreshments in the school hall and entertainment laid on to name but just a few things. There will be a raffle on the day and tickets will be on sale in due course, further news to follow on School Spider. There will be a pre-loved uniform rail on the day and any pre-loved uniform donations would be most gratefully received on Friday 26th May, Friday 9th June and Friday 16th June. The PTA are pleased to announce that there will be a teddy tombola and a sweet jar tombola, further news to following in the coming weeks about any donations for these tombola's.

The PTA would welcome any volunteers on the day so if anyone at all is available to assist in whatever capacity whether it be setting up or running a stall for a couple of hours then that assistance/support would be most gratefully received.

To confirm your availability please e-mail stpeters pta@yahoo.co.uk

Next PTA meeting

This will take place at **7.30pm on Thursday 25th May** at The Pied Bull. New members are most welcome.

KNOWSLEY SAFARI PARK TRIP











Inspiration and Aspiration Week

Mon 12th June to Thursday 15th June 2023

Can you help?

We are looking for parents to come into school and talk to pupils about what they do for a living, what their job involves, what they enjoy about it and what they had to do to get there.



What is the about?

This week will give children an opportunity to hear about different careers, industries and hobbies. We would like children to feel inspired and think about their hopes for the future. We will look at resilience, self-belief and determination and remind children that they can achieve whatever they want out of life with a 'Yes, I can' approach.

If you came last year, we would love you to come again to talk to a new set of children.

If you would like to help or would like more information, please contact Mr. Robinson via email: stpeter@sthelens.org.uk



'The child grew and became strong in body, mind and spirit'





COMMUNITY NOTICES



SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN SESSIONS

School Nurse Drop in sessions are available on the following dates:

- Wednesday 24th May 2023
- Wednesday 5th July 2023

A booking system is in place if you would like to book an appointment. Appointments can either take place in school or via a telephone consultation.

Appointments will be available between **2.00 – 3.00pm**. Each appointment will be 15 minutes in duration.

If you would like to book an appointment please contact the school office by either telephone or email: stpeter@sthelens.org.uk

SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN SESSION

School Nurse Team are providing sessions offering advice and support on a range of topics including:

Healthy Eating
Behavioural problems
Head lice

Hygiene - Hand washing and Oral Health

Bed Wetting

Hearing and Vision

Height/Weight Management

Immunisations Emotional Health

or any other health related concerns you may have regarding your child.

Available to all parents and pupils.

Ask at School Reception for more information, upcoming dates and appointments.

Parents seen on a 15 minute appointment basis in a confidential environment.

St Helen's 0-19 Team Contact Number: 01744 624321

Please find further information about our offer at:

https://www.wchc.nhs.uk/ services/school-nursing-wirral/





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 22nd May 2023

- Whole School Class group photographs
- Afterschool Sports Club Year 2: 3.15-4.15pm
- KS2 Girls Football

Tuesday 23rd May 2023

Afterschool Sports Club Year 4: 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 24th May 2023

- KS2 Netball: 3.30-4.30
- Afterschool Sports Club Year 1: 3.15-4.15pm

Thursday 25th May 2023

- Year 4 Southport Eco Centre Trip
- Year 3 Swimming
- Kidslingo Club: 3.30-4.30pm
- Afterschool Sports Club Year 5 and 6: 3.30-4.30pm
- Reception New Intake Meeting 6.30pm
- PTA Meeting- Pied Bull 7.30pm

Friday 26th May 2023

- School Closes for half term
- Afterschool Sports Club Year 3: 3.30-4.30pm

Monday 5th June 2023

Inset Day – School closed to pupils

Tuesday 6th June 2023

School re-opens after half term



MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Please could we ask that you let the school office know in advance if your child has a medical appointment.

Could we also ask that you provide the office with a paper copy or phone screen shot of the appointment and inform us what time you will be collecting/dropping off your child on the day of appointment.

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

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 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

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