

# The Keys Newsletter

## Messages from St Peter's

31st March 2023

### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent and Carer,

This week we have had our half termly class worships when parents came in to watch their children perform a worship in front of the class. It's lovely to see our confident pupils be able to create and perform a worship for everyone to enjoy.

We also had three nights of parent's evenings this week. Thank you to everyone who attended and a thank you to all the staff; it is a really exhausting time for teachers, however having our school community come in and have a look at what the children have been doing is something our staff love to see.

Today we had a special visitor, a 6-foot Easter Rabbit distributing eggs to all our special children. A huge thank you to Business For Youth for organising this.

We have another Courage Curriculum competition with £20.00 SMYTHS gift vouchers to be won over the Easter Holidays. The local history quiz that we did over Covid lockdown is back. If you log on to our website and follow the curriculum link to history, you will find a video of a certain head teacher and a dog who have walked around local historical sites and asked questions along the way. Write the answers down on a sheet of paper and those who get them all correct will go into a prize draw.



The PTA have also sent out their annual smartie challenge, please support them.

Finally, some of you may have seen our new school video. It's on our website home page and Facebook Page. This video encapsulates everything about our school and why we are so proud to be a part of it. Please take a look.

Have a lovely Easter and remember we are back on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

Mr Robinson

# Celebration & Congratulations



## GROWTH MINDSET

**Reception: Millie W**  
**Year 1/2: Mia P**  
**Year 2: Amelia R**  
**Year 3: Evie B**  
**Year 4: Lucas T**  
**Year 5: Marissa C**  
**Year 6: Charlie F**



## STAR OF THE WEEK

**Reception: Bradley S**  
**Year 1/2: Kaden T**  
**Year 2: Morrie E**  
**Year 3: Emily B**  
**Year 4: Seth B**  
**Year 5: Jonah A**  
**Year 6: Lily T**



## VALUES AWARD

**Year 4: Layla B**  
**Year 5: Harry C**

## COURAGE AWARD

**Reception: Oscar K**  
**Year 1/2: Freddie L-G**  
**Year 2: Hugo C**  
**Year 4 – Laylah B**  
**Year 5: Daniel S**

## HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

**Jakob P-E**  
**Deacon M**  
**Sophie E**  
**Noah B**  
**Chloe C**



## ST PETER'S SILVER AWARD

**Jasmine A**  
**Tilly C**  
**Eleanor C**  
**Laylah B**  
**Sophie E**  
**Martha F**  
**Eric P**  
**Emilia G**

## SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS



Lucy in Year 6 recently represented Lancashire at the England Squash Inter-County Junior Championships.

She was part of a team of 3 playing in the Girls U13 category. No trophies for Lancashire this year, but they played against the best girls in the country and it was a great experience. The competition was held in Birmingham & Coventry. It is the largest competition that England Squash run with more than 1,000 junior players representing their counties in 10 different categories.



## HISTORY COMPETITION



### History Competition

What do you know about our local history?  
Answer the questions on Mr. Robinson's YouTube video  
and win a £20.00 gift voucher.

Bring your answers in on a sheet of paper, numbered,  
and don't forget your name!

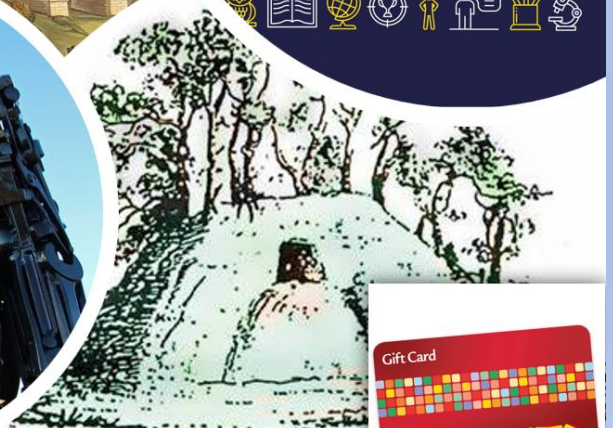
Find the video on our website.  
(Curriculum – History)



[st-peters.st-helens.sch.uk](http://st-peters.st-helens.sch.uk)



# COURAGE



Win a £20 gift card





# *Inspiration and Aspiration Week*

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> 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.



St Peter's C.E.  
Primary School

### 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](mailto:stpeter@sthelens.org.uk)



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



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Liverpool

# SCHOOL NURSE DROP IN SESSIONS

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

- **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023**
- **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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/](https://www.wchc.nhs.uk/services/school-nursing-wirral/)



**NHS**  
Wirral Community  
Health and Care  
NHS Foundation Trust



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### ST PETER'S CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTICE

Join us on **Good Friday from 10am in church** for a series of crafts related to Holy Week, followed by a short, outdoor service in Willow Park.

To help us plan resources, please reserve tickets before Sat 1 April at:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/good-friday-crafts-tickets-582344687637>

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### NEWTON STORM - ARLFC

# U8S

## COME ALONG & JOIN THE STORM!

**Calling Y3 boys & girls  
to join our U8s team.**



**Training Wed 6-7pm  
Newton Sports Club**

**For more details,  
contact Matt  
07827 921707**



## COMMUNITY NOTICES

Please see below for a free mental health webinar for parents and carers. To register please click on the link.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-helens-discover-kooth-qwell-for-parents-and-carers-tickets-549424352027>



# Discover Kooth & Qwell

For parents and carers in St Helens

7pm Tues 4th April  
Register today: <https://bit.ly/3yroKHY>

An introduction to the free, safe & anonymous mental health support available online for young people and adults in Knowsley.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES



**ST HELENS  
LOCAL AUTISM AND SOCIAL  
COMMUNICATION SERVICE  
YEAR 6 TRANSITION  
ONLINE PARENT SESSIONS**



If your child is due to transition to High School in September 2023, we would love you to join us on our online sessions to share tips and advice.

At this time of year you will have completed applications to name your 3 preferred high school places, in light of this we felt it was important to offer you support to be able to effectively plan the next steps of your journey.

LASCS focus is towards children with Social Communication differences or those who have a diagnosis of Autism, but we recognise that many of the strategies discussed work for most children who require that little bit of additional support.

Note that the sessions are directed to parents/carers and not to the young people:

**A Helping Hand**  
Friday 24th March 2023 - 12:30 - 13:30

**The Finish Line is in Sight!**  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 - 12:30 - 13:30

For further information or to register an interest, please email us [LASCSttransitions@sthelens.gov.uk](mailto:LASCSttransitions@sthelens.gov.uk)

*Together, we can make a difference! We look forward to meeting you.*



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## ST HELENS SEA CADETS

St Helens Sea Cadets are now recruiting!

**Junior Sea Cadets (ages 10-12) & Sea Cadets (ages 12-18).**

Our **aim** is to give young people an experience that will help them grow into the person they want to be in a safe and friendly environment. Through various activities and adventures, we learn teamwork, respect, loyalty, self-confidence, commitment, self-discipline, honesty and how to be the best version of ourselves. We offer a range of different activities from sailing, windsurfing and powerboating - to rock climbing, camping, and music - plus, so much more!

At St Helens Sea Cadets, we regularly meet on **Monday & Thursday evenings** between **19:00 to 21:30** (21:00 finish for our Junior Sea Cadets) at **Mill Street Barracks, Mill Street, St Helens, WA10 2BD.**



**ACHIEVE**

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launching you for life today



**SEA CADETS**

**JOIN ST HELENS SEA CADETS**

More information can be found here:

<https://www.sea-cadets.org/sthelens/get-in-touch>



**GET OUT THERE**

A different kind of adventure  
launching you for life today



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE NO AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS  
THIS WEEK

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

- INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

### **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

- School re-opens to pupils after the Easter break

### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

- Year 3 – Swimming
- Kidslingo Club: 3.30-4.30pm



## 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](mailto: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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