



# The Keys Newsletter

Messages from St Peter's

## 28th April 2023

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

#### Dear Parent / Carer

This week we were visited by Reverend Chris Stafford. Rev Stafford (Minister for the Winwick Deanery) is a scientist and uses his science to tell stories from the Bible. The children were enthralled as lots of weird and wonderful things unfolded in front of their eyes and learned how science and faith can happily walk side by side each other.

Year 2, 3 and 4 also had a visit from St Helens Cultured ED. The children made and painted some leaves that will be attached to an art installation to be erected in school. They had a lovely time, and we can't wait to see the final product.

With the weather conditions finally with us, The Great Fire of Newton-le-Willows eventually took place. The children and parents really bowled us over with their houses that eventually would be set on fire as we recreated the Great Fire of London on the school field. You can watch a video of the fire on our school website history subject page <u>St Peter's C.E. Primary School: History (st-peters.st-helens.sch.uk)</u>. Needless to say, the children in Year 1 and 2 loved it as we brought their history curriculum to life.

As usual, we had some more sport this week, with Year 2 attending a St Helens Rugby League Club skills day. They had a lovely time being coached by Saints coaches and meeting some players. Year 4 also had a mini touch rugby festival at the same time and did very well.

Finally, congratulations to our Year 5 Quiz Team who won this year's Quiz Kids competition against all the other local schools on Wednesday. We are very proud of them. Thank you also to Evie and George who came to support them. This means we are now Quiz Kids and Maths champions two years on the run. I will try not to mention it at the next Newton Primary Schools Heads meeting!

A reminder that next week it is bank holiday Monday followed by just Year 6, Year 3 and Reception in due to Industrial action on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May we will be having a Coronation celebration. Children will be spending the morning doing activities, followed by a themed lunch and then some time on the school field. Children may come in red, white and blue clothing, wear union flag hats and so on. Once again, there is no expectation for parents to buy anything especially for this event.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend



Mr Robinson

## **Celebration & Congratulations**



## **GROWTH MINDSET**

Reception: Hattie R Year 1/2: Ella N Year 2: Josie M Year 3: Melodie P Year 4: Layla B Year 5: Charlotte B Year 6: Mikayla S-J



#### **STAR OF THE WEEK**

Reception: Roman R-B Year 1/2: Dexter B Year 2: Morrie E Year 3: Sophie R Year 4: Emilia W Year 5: Ramus K Year 6: Ava Q



#### **VALUES AWARD**

Year 5: Harry J

## **COURAGE AWARD**

Reception: Archie H Year 2: Harrison D Year 4: Amelia H Year 5: Athena G



## QUIZ KIDS AT HOPE ACADEMY – YEAR 5





















## **CORONATION CARD**

## St Peter's Church Coronation Card

Children have been given a photocopy of a crown or some stencils to draw over the weekend. Pupils are asked to colour them in and then write a message inside celebrating the Coronation.

These will then be displayed in St Peter's Church for members of the public to see.

Please bring them in by Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.





## YEAR 6 - HOPE ACADEMY TRANSITION

#### **Hope Academy Transition – Polite reminder**

You will have recently received important documents from Hope Academy – please ensure they are completed and returned in the reply-paid envelope provided by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May. If you did not receive the documents, please email <u>lesley.white@hopeacademy.org.uk</u>

## **INDUSTRIAL ACTION**

Please note the following details for the planned NEU industrial action:

#### <u>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</u>

#### Classes that will be open:

Reception Year 3 Year 6

#### Classes that will NOT be open due to industrial action

Year 1 / 2 Year 2 Year 4 Year 5

### 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

## 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/





## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**





All Stars Cricket provides a fantastic first experience for all children aged 5-8 years old where they're guaranteed 8 weeks of jam-packed fun, activity and skills development!

The programme is designed to introduce children to the sport, teaching them new skills, helping them make new friends and have a great time doing so.

Every child that registers will receive a backpack full of goodies!

Sign up to your nearest All Stars Cricket Centre today.

Sign up today at

#### DYNAMOS CRICKET

## This is our game.

Dynamos Cricket provides a fantastic next step for all those graduating from All Stars Cricket and the perfect introduction for all 8-11 year-olds new to the sport!

Sessions are all about playing together and developing new skills, teamwork and friendship.

Every child that registers will receive their very own Dynamos Cricket New Balance t-shirt, personalised with their name and number on the back and have access to a brand new digital app, packed with exclusive oricket content, unlockable skills challenges, quizzes and activities.

Sign up today to your nearest Dynamos Cricket centre.

#### dynamoscricket.co.uk

Earlestown Cricket Club, Earle Street, Earlestown WA12 9NU Session dates: Monday evenings, starting 8th May 2023 for all children aged 8-11

This is

our game.

dynamoscricket.co.uk

6:00 - 7:00 pm

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earlestowncc@hotmail.co.uk

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023

• BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED

#### Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023

- INDUSTRIAL ACTION School open to RECEPTION, YEAR 3 & YEAR 6 CLASSES ONLY (All other year groups not in school)
- CANCELLED due to strike day Afterschool Sports Club Year 4: 3.30-4.30pm

#### Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023

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

#### Thursday 4th May 2023

- Year 3 Swimming
- Kidslingo Club: 3.30-4.30pm
- Afterschool Sports Club Year 5 and 6: 3.30-4.30pm

#### Friday 5th May 2023

- CORONATION CELEBRATIONS Children can come into school wearing Red, White and Blue clothing.
- Afterschool Sports Club Year 3: 3.30-4.30pm



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

## 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 <u>Penalty notices - St Helens Borough Council</u>



#### **DINNER MONEY**

If your child wishes to change their lunch preference please advise the office via email giving <u>a week's notice</u>. 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

## **Contact Details**

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