

# The Keys Newsletter

## 4th July 2025

Dear Parent / Carer,

The PTA raised a fantastic £3,500 (after expenses) from this year's Summer Fair! A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the event such a success. The money raised will go directly towards benefiting all our children. One exciting project funded by your support, and requested by the School Council, is the replacement of 'Brandon's Den' with a brand-new summer house. This will be a calm, creative space where children can relax and enjoy drawing.

We're also one of the organisations featured in the Tesco Blue Token Scheme. The group with the most tokens will receive £1,500, so next time you're shopping in Tesco, don't forget to grab a handful and pop them into St Peter's slot!

#### Year 5 Cricket Champions!

Congratulations to our Year 5 cricket team, who were victorious in the St Helens Schools Tournament yesterday! They showed incredible skill and teamwork, defeating a strong Brook Lodge side in the final. A special shout out for their amazing 120 runs in just 14 overs during the semi-final. An amazing sporting feat!

Next week, our Year 6 pupils will be heading off on their much anticipated residential trip to Robinwood Activity Centre. The three days will be packed with adventure, including wall climbing, rafting, zip wires and of course, the legendary Piranha Pool! Keep an eye on our Facebook page for photos and updates.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Robinson Headteacher



# Awards week beginning 30th June 2025



#### **GROWTH MINDSET**

Hattie – Reception
Max – Year 1
Dylan – Year 2
Kaden – Year 3
Oliver – Year 4
Jacob – Year 5
Seth – Year 6



# This week's Courage certificate is for Growth:

Nia – Year 3 Harrison – Year 4 Jakob – Year 5

## **ÉTOILE DE LA SEMAINE**





#### STAR OF THE WEEK

Grace H-S - Reception
Joseph - Year 1
Joseph - Year 2
Dolly - Year 3
Erin - Year 4
Archie - Year 5
Amelia F - Year 6
Sophie Ec - Year 6



Remy - Love - Reception
Billie - Love - Year 1
Millie - Love - Year 2
Ananda - Forgiveness - Year 3
Isaac - Trust - Year 4
Oscar - Love - Year 5

# Swesters

Alfie- Year 1
Ahmed - Year 2
Betty - Year 3
Eliza - Year 3
Hassan- Year 4
Kian - Year 5
James M- Year 5
Laylah - Year 6
Deacon- Year 6

## POLITE REMINDER - WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please could you ensure children are not bringing in snacks or lunch items containing nuts.

We do have nut allergies in the school and appreciate your support in keeping our children safe.

Could we also remind you that the snacks sent into school should be healthy snacks.

If your child forgets their snack, we have a wide variety of fruit that children can choose from all day.

## Many thanks for your cooperation



## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

EVENT	DATE
Rocksteady Concert	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July – 2.15pm
Year 3 End of Year Assembly & Brass Concert	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July – 1.30pm
Year 6 Robinwood Residential	Wednesday 9th – Friday 11th July
Year 1 End of Year Assembly	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July – 9.10am
Year 2 End of Year Assembly	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July – 9.10am
Year 5 End of Year Assembly	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July – 9.10am
Year 4 End of Year Assembly	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July – 1.30pm
Year 6 Production	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July – 9.30am & 1.30pm
Year 6 VIP Disco	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July - 6.30pm
Year 6 & Reception End of Year Service at St Peter's Church	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July - 9.30am
Last day of term	Friday 18th July

Please note, all dates and times are subject to change.





### THE RAINBOW TEAM



# The Rainbow Team

Safeguarding Nurture Wellbeing Behaviour

When the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between me and all living beings on Earth.

Genesis 9:16



Mrs Colley: RainbowTeam Lead

Mrs Colley: Senior Mental Health Lead

Behaviour Lead

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Vinuard: SENCO

Mrs Harrison: EYFS / KS1 Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Davidson: Pastoral / Nurture

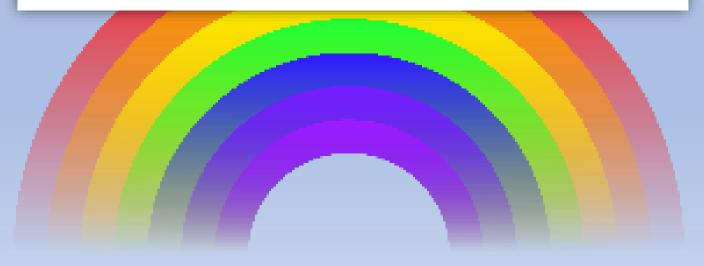
#### Our Early Help approach

If you feel your child could benefit from some pastoral support, do not hesitate to contact us.

Our Senior Mental Health Lead ensures that all our pupils who require pastoral care for issues such as bereavement, friendship issues, home issues and anxiety, receive time each week with our pastoral staff who offer over 8 hours of individual and small group sessions.

If you feel that your child could benefit from this offer, please contact Mrs Colley.

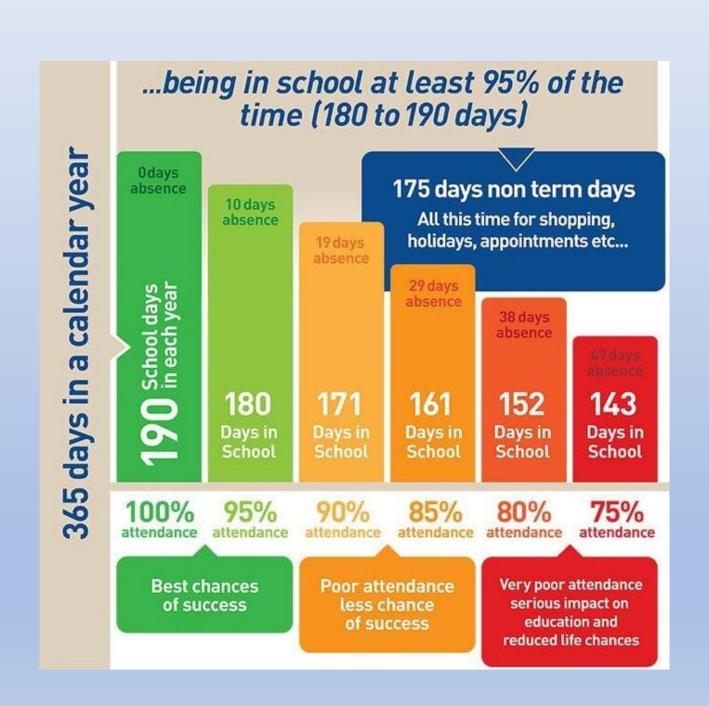
The team has regular meeting to discuss and measure the progress of pupils who fall into specific categories, including attendance, wellbeing issues, SEN, behavioural issues and safeguarding.



# Attendance

Whole School Target: 98%

Current Average Whole School Attendance: 97.3%



# **Tesco Blue Tokens!**

We will be in 4 different stores from July - September.
We are guaranteed £500 and possibly up to £1500 if we
get the most tokens! The money raised will be spent on
new playground equipment.

Use your tokens to vote for us in

Earlestown, Haydock, Haydock Express

and Garswood

Thank you!



#### **OFFICE NEWS**



#### **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

## **Contact Details**

St Peter's C.E. Primary School Birley Street Newton-le-Willows WA12 9UR 01744 678630

stpeter@sthelens.org.uk

https://twitter.com/NLWStPeters www.st-peters.st-helens.sch.uk



# HAVE YOUR SAY: NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS LIBRARY

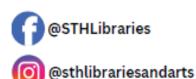
Attend one of our workshops, led by artist Kate Buftan, and help codesign the outdoor space at Newton-le-Willows Library as we plan to transform it into a sensory reading space.

Take part in some environmentally-themed activities and add your ideas to our suggestion tree and mood boards. No need to book, just turn up!

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 10am - 12pm Newton-le-Willows Library

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August 10am - 12pm Newton-le-Willows Library

This project is funded by Wargrave Big Local.













MERSEYSIDE POLICE ARE
HOLDING A FREE SPORTS,
CRAFT AND GAMES EVENT
AT OUTWOOD ACADEMY
LEISURE CENTRE, CLIPSLEY
LANE, HAYDOCK,
ST HELENS.



Every Wednesday and Friday throughout the summer holidays from 30th July until 22nd August - 1pm until 3pm.

Ages 5 to 18. All abilities welcome.

Under 10's need to be accompanied by an adult at all times. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

Consent forms will need to be completed on the first session by an adult.

For more information or a consent form, please contact:

PCSO Emma Stevens 0151 777 6147

PCSO Natalie Gabriel 0151 777 6139







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Superstars Holiday Clubs are running over the summer holidays and to see there amazing brochure please click here - <a href="https://rb.gy/oernq5">https://rb.gy/oernq5</a>. 10% off prices finishes on Friday 27 June. Superstars has a wide range of activities, not just sports, but Fashion Camp, Woodwork Camp, Drone Soccer, Laser Tag, Crafts, Crochet to name but a few. If you require further information please do not hesitate to

contact <u>info@littlesuperstars.co.uk</u> whereby staff will only be to happy to help.



WWW.SUPERSTARSCAMPS.CO.UK

# Neurodevelopment pathway drop ins



Come along to one of our drop in sessions in St Helens.

Our team will answer questions you have about the neurodevelopment pathway process.

You don't need to be using our service, you can drop in if you have any questions to ask about this.

We look forward to meeting you.

13 May at Parr Children's Centre, 9.30am to 11.30am and Sutton Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

20 May at Newton Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

27 May at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm. Second Tuesday of the month at Parr Children's Centre, 9.30am to 11.30am and Sutton Family Hub 1pm to 4pm\*.

Third Tuesday of the month at Newton Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

Fourth Tuesday of the month at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

\*Please note, on Tuesday 8 July the session will be held at Sutton Family Hub 1pm to 4pm only.

10 June at Parr Children's Centre, 9.30am to 11.30am and Sutton Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

17 June at Newton Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

24 June at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm. 8 July at Sutton Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

15 July at Newton Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

22 July at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

Sutton Family Hub, Ellamsbridge Road, Sutton, St Helens, WA9 3PY

Parr Children's Centre, Ashton's Green Drive, Parr, St Helens, WA9 2AP

Central Link Family Hub, Westfield Street, (off Peter Street), St Helens, WA10 1QF

Newton Family Hub, Patterson Street, Newton-le-Willows, St Helens, WA12 9PZ

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Second Tuesday of the month at Parr Children's Centre, 9am to 12 noon

(with the exception of October, see alternative dates below)

Fourth Tuesday of the month at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm

(with the exception of Oct/Nov/Dec. see alternative dates below)

12 August at Parr Children's Centre, 9am to 12 noon.

26 August at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

9 September at Parr Children's Centre, 9am to 12 noon.

23 September at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

7 October at Parr Children's Centre, 9am to 12 noon.

21 October at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

18 November at Parr

25 November at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

9 December at Parr Children's Centre, 9am to 12 noon.

Children's Centre, 9am to 12 noon.

16 December at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

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# SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S **# MENTAL HEALTH**

10 Conversation Starters for Parents

Talking about mental health to children is sometimes hard. To the point that we can put off raising the subject, not wanting to unearth problems or raise overwhelming subjects that we perceive our child is too young or not ready for. But rather than keeping children in the dark, this guide is designed to help you confidently talk about mental health, so they feel comfortable talking about their own wornes and end any stigma before it begins.



#WakeUpWednesday



This sounds obvious, but it is not something we are always great at. Active list oring is where well stan without interrupting or making judgements and shows interest in what is being said. If your child feels listened to in the 'smallest of problems' they will become confident that you will listen when the 'biggest of problems' arise.

#### 2 ASKTWICE

The campaign from time to change is great.

Intips://www.time-to-change.org.uk/support-ask-twice-campaign.

Beteraclous about your child's wellbeing. Children instinctively know when your questions and support come from a place of wanting to help and care.



Are you sure?

### 6 TALK ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH NATURALLY

Speak about mental health as part of everyday life, so that talking about our feelings and those of others is normalised. If the usual 'are you ok?' is not creating an opportunity for dialogue then say something like 1 know when something like that has happened to me I felt like this... Is that how you are feeling or are you feeling something else?'

#### 7 EMPATHISE

"It makes sense that you would feel this way, it is understandable. Children often worry about things that we, as adults, might see as trivial or silly. However, for them at their age and stage it is a big concern and they need our kindness and care when they show their vulnerability and share their worries.

HELP YOUR CHILD FEEL SAFE

#### THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A STUPID QUESTION

This advice also relates to the first point, if your child can ask you any questions about the small est of things and you listen and answer without shaming or belittling, then they will have more confidence to ask the biggest of questions.



#### BE OPEN AND HONEST

Children approach honesty, particularly if you are having to share information or talk about a difficult subject. For example, you may be talking about death or loss: It's very sad that Nanahas died'. How you talk about a subject will differ depending on their age and developmental maturity. Talking about death to a younger child for example will be different to that of an older teen, as their experience and understanding of death is different

#### KNOW WHEN TO SEEK HELP

Assess the severity of the mental health difficulty you are noticing. Is the difficulty making it had for your child to function regularly throughout everyday life? How frequently is your child affected, how long does it last and how persistent is H2 Are they having problems controlling the difficulty? Talk to your child about your concerns and that it is likely they will need further support beyond family and friends.

## MIND YOUR LANGUAGE

Be mindful of the language you use at home to describe and talk about mental health. Stigma often arises from misconceptions and a choice of language which is harmful. Using the word mental, man-up or other such words in a derogatory way won't encourage your child to talk about their mental health for fear of being belittled.



#### IT IS OK TO SAY 'IDON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO NEXT'

Teens particularly feel that by talking about their womes or concerns that this will make things werse. Reassure your child thetyou will discuss a plan of actic together and what may or may not need to happen next. If they are a younger child, it is likely you will need to lead the conversation and explain next steps.

Adults do not have all the answers but often children think they do. It is ok to acknowledge that what your child is experiencing is not something you have come across before or know anything about, but that you will work it out together and seak help together.



#### Meet our expert

This guide has been written by Anna Bateman. Anna is passionate about placing prevention at the heart of every school, integrating mental wellbeing within the currioulum, school culture and systems. She is also a member of the advisory group for the Department of Education, advising them on their mental health green paper.



## Sources of Information and Support

Your GP

Young Minds https://youngminds.org.uk/v https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/ https://www.actionforchilden.org.uk/news-and-blogs/parenting-tips/2016/nevember/ a-simple-guide-to-active-listering-for-parents/ https://www.themix.org.uk/mental-bealth



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