



The Keys Newsletter

Message from St Peter's

16th September 2022



Bank Holiday for the State Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II

Monday 19th September 2022

School Closure

On Monday 19th September the school will be closed in the form of a bank holiday for the State Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent / Carer,

The last week has been a time for mourning, quiet reflection and celebration, as we head towards the funeral on Monday of Queen Elizabeth II. We are all living in a moment in history and I'm sure in a few generations time, children will be studying this era as part of their curriculum. Of course, the Queen was head of the Church of England, and this is now passed on to King Charles III, emphasising the changes that will take place. I am sure he will serve us well.

A reminder that we are closed on Monday for the Bank Holiday.

The highlight of the week was inviting all our parents, carers, family and even some expupils into school to meet the teacher and have a look around. Our children are very proud of their school and I'm sure most of you received a guided tour of the pegs, the tables, the toilets and anywhere else they could find. It was lovely to meet so many of you and have chats about our new areas of learning in Key Stage 1. In the final week of half term, we will be holding our first parent / pupil consultations (Parents Evening) and this will give you a chance to talk to your teacher and see how they are getting on. Class worships are also returning when a small number of each class conducts a worship in front of the rest of the class and their parents in school.

On a final note, please ensure that parent class WhatsApp groups are used for what the administrator has set it up for and pupils are not named in discussions. As a school we know about them, even the breakaway WhatsApp groups! If a post seems unlikely, then it probably is. As always, if you have an issue, please contact your class teacher. I have received a number of messages from parents who have felt uncomfortable about the content.

Have a lovey extended weekend.

Mr Robinson



MILK MONEY

Information regarding school milk has been sent home this week for parents of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. If you require your child to have milk could you please ensure you make payment via School Money by Friday 23rd September.

FLU NASAL VACCINATIONS

Information regarding Flu Nasal Vaccinations has been sent home this week. Please visit the below link to access further information and complete your child's consent form, even if you don't want them to receive their flu spray. If you have any queries please contact the St Helens Immunisation Team directly using the contact details within the letter.

econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS

After school sports clubs will be starting from Tuesday 20th September 2022.

LENDING LIBRARY

The lending library is located on the playground for KS1 and KS2 section. Books are free to parents on a take a book/leave a book system.



SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS

There will be School Open Evenings for the Reception 2023 intake taking place on the following dates:

- Monday 17th October 2022
- Wednesday 2nd November 2022
- Wednesday 14th December 2022

Please email into school if you would like to book a place.

RECEPTION PARENTS COFFEE MORNING



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

SPORTING SUCCESS

Congratulations to the following pupils who are all part of the Under 9s Newton Cricket team and have just finished the season this weekend as runners up in the Wigan and District cup competition:

- * Niall B
- * Seb Q
- * Rasmus K
- * Archie L
- * Rowan P

The boys and the team did so well this season



AGM ANNOUNCEMENT

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Thursday 6 October, 6.30pm in school

Everyone is invited to join us for the PTA's annual General Meeting where we will review the last 12 months and begin plans for this year.

All three of the committee posts are open for nominations but we are in particular need of a Chair, if you are interested in joining the committee, volunteering at events or just want to know more please email stpeters pta@yahoo.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 20th September 2022

Y4 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30 – 4.30pm

Wednesday 21st September 2022

- Reception Parents Coffee Morning: 9.00am -10.00am
- STEM Club Y3 &Y4: 3.30 4.30pm
- Eco Club: 3.30 4.00pm
- Y1 & Y2 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.15 4.15pm
- Governors Standards & Safeguarding Committee: 4.30pm

Thursday 22nd September 2022

- Y1, Y2, Y3 Kidslingo: 3.30 4.30pm
- Y6 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30 4.30pm
- Y4/Y5 Clonter Trip

Friday 23rd September 2022

Y3 Afterschool Sports Club: 3.30 – 4.30pm

Monday 26th September 2022

Year 5/6 Parent Meeting with Hope Academy – 8.45am

Thursday 6th October 2022

• AGM: 6.30pm

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 <u>a</u> <u>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 <u>sales@touchline-embroidery.com</u>

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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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION







Scan the QR code to access Hope Academy Prospectus

1. Open the camera app

2. Focus the camera on the QR code by gently tapping the code

3. Follow the instructions on the screen to complete the action