



Queen's Park C.E./U.R.C. Primary School

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Our value this half-term is Courage. "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you." Isaiah 41:10

Message from Mrs Kellett

What a week it's been at Queen's Park Primary! I honestly don't know where to begin - there's been so much happening.

Let me start with our amazing Year 2 athletes who represented our school at the athletics event this week. They threw themselves into every challenge - sprinting through the 100m and 200m races, then tackling two field events with such determination. And what a bonus that they got to meet the leader of St Helens Council too! These young athletes showed exactly what Queen's

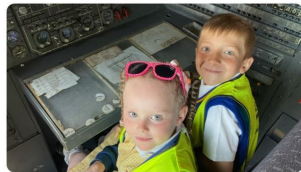
Park is all about. But that's not all. Our Y5/6 swimming team absolutely blew me away at the annual St Helens swimming gala. Nine of our children - Luke, Carter, Isla, Ruby, Daisy, Violet, Oscar, Jaxon and William - didn't just compete, they excelled. What struck me most wasn't just their swimming ability, though that was impressive enough. It was watching them support each other, show respect to competitors from other schools, and represent us with such grace and sportsmanship. They were true ambassadors for everything we stand for. And the results speak for themselves - individual medals in girls and boys backstroke, boys butterfly, and the boys freestyle team! Outstanding doesn't even cover it.

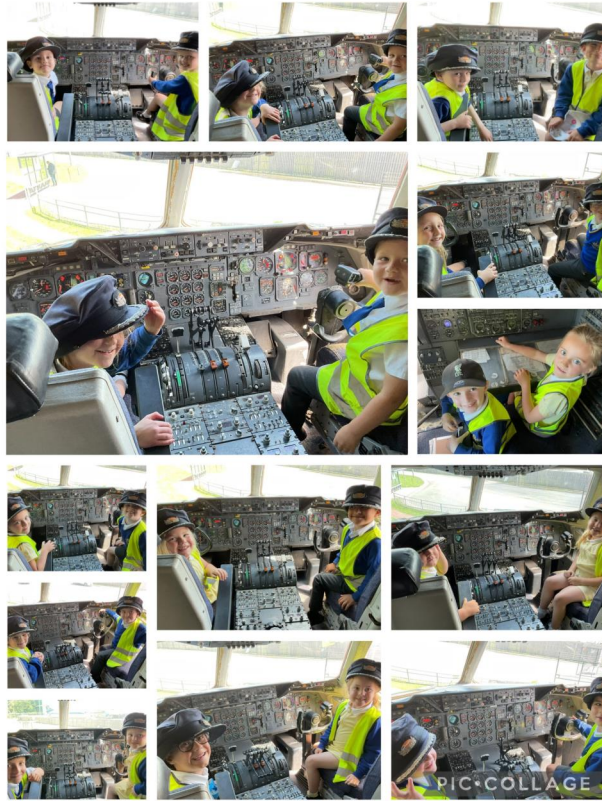
Then there's our Year 6 rounders team, who are now officially St Helens rounders champions 2025! They won all five matches and played with such skill and teamwork. I couldn't be prouder of their achievement.

Year One had their own adventure this week with their trip to Manchester Airport. The excitement on their faces as they experienced being captain of an aeroplane was absolutely priceless. These are the moments that make learning come alive.

Finally, I have to share something that really warmed my heart. Our school ethos council led a meeting with our Governors this week, and our Ethos and Distinctiveness Committee were completely blown away by our children. Watching them confidently share everything we do in religious education, explaining our values and what makes our school special - it was a reminder of just how thoughtful and articulate our children are. It's weeks like this that remind me why I love being part of this school community.

Our children continue to amaze me with their talents, their character, and their enthusiasm for everything they do.







Transition Week

Attached to this newsletter is details of our transition week that is taking place on Monday 7th - Friday 11th July. The children will get to spend the full week with their new teachers in their new classrooms .

We have planned a meet the teacher meeting for all parents on Monday 7th July. Times are below

Year One and Year Two - 3pm - 3:30pm

Year Three to Year Six - 3:30pm - 4pm.

It is fine for your child and any siblings to come along. I have organised staff to supervise. Please come to the entrance that your dropped your child at on Monday.

Change of date for Year One

Due to a prior commitment of one of our new teachers, Year One's Meet the Teacher will be on Tuesday 9th July

Platinum School Games Award



We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Platinum Award 2024/25 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

We are extremely proud of our children's for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible. As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition,

workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year. A special thanks to: Mrs Leyland who organises everything and all our staff who support our children during these events.

Developing Spirituality at Queen's Park

At Queen's Park, we pride ourselves in nurturing the spirituality of everyone in the school community. We have worked hard with our staff and children to agree on a definition that is personal to Queen's Park.

At Queen's Park CE/URC Primary School, we talk about spirituality as connecting with ourselves, others, the world and God, through whom, everything is possible (Matthew 19:26).

We explore spirituality through our Spiritual Capacities (our Spiritual C's) which are curiosity, creativity, compassion, consciousness, being courageous contributors and having opportunities to contemplate.

Each week, I will share an example of one of our spiritual Cs with you.

Thank you to Miss Knockton for sharing with us the Spiritual Capacity of Compassion. We know that we can show compassion in lots of different ways and that it helps us to understand and connect with ourselves, others, the world and God. Did you know there are over 145 examples of compassion being shown in the Bible?



Local Marathon Man Inspires Youngsters at His Old Primary School.



Daniel Hodges left Queen's Park Primary School in 2002 but today he returned to tell the children all about his most recent charity fundraiser. Daniel has run 10 marathons in 10 consecutive days concluding at the world famous London Marathon. He explained to the 240 KS2 children that he had set himself the challenge of running over 262 miles in order to raise money for Samaritans. He talked to the children about mental health and how sharing how you feel is so important when you need support.

The children shared their own goals and aspirations. The children and staff alike were truly blown away by his amazing feat and really enjoyed hearing about his journey. Especially, how through difficult times, he set goals. Daniel has done so much for charity over the last few years and it is really important that his story is shared. The children were so inspired that many of them ran laps around the playground during playtime and dinnertime. At Queen's Park our school Christian vision is #EverythingIsPossible and for the children to be able to hear such an inspirational story in their own voice from someone who once sat where they are now was just amazing,

Daniel was so warm and kind with the children and made every child feel truly valued. From all the community at Queen's Park we just want to thank Daniel for his time and for all the amazing things that he is doing. His Queen's Park family are so proud of him and we know the rest of St. Helens will be too.

Uniform Expectations

I just wanted to remind you that it is an expectation that the children come in full school uniform every day. This includes PE kit. We are seeing lots of coloured leggings and extremely 'short' shorts which are not appropriate for school. I have purchased extra blue PE shorts and will be asking the children to change if they continue to come in wearing these shorts. I would appreciate your support with this please.

Play Club

WEEKLY STAY AND PLAY

When: STARTING AFTER EASTER, Mondays, 3-4:15pm
This is, of course, WEATHER DEPENDENT!

Where: On our school field



We are inviting you to come and explore and most importantly, play, our school field with your child(ren), every week on Mondays, after-school.

Why not come and play on our field instead of going to the park? Come and explore our amazing outdoor space and see what amazing possibilities there already for play! (And we haven't even finished developing yet!)

There will be staff there to supervise the site, and provide first aid (if needed) but **you will be responsible for your child(ren) during this time - a parent/carer must remain with the child(ren).**

Children who attend will be able to gain points towards their Children's University accreditation.

We hope to see lots of you every week!

Our Opal 'Play Club' will continue this half term. Come along and join in the fun!

Bring it in Bingo



Our children are loving the scooters and bikes we have on the playground. If you have any old bikes, scooters or any wheeled toys you would like to donate, please bring them into school.

Staff Shout Out



We are delighted to celebrate Miss Fryer, our EYFS Teacher and cultural champion, who was awarded a prestigious accolade this week. Throughout the year, she has worked closely with the Royal Opera Ballet to bring the arts alive at Queen's Park, inspiring creativity and confidence in our children. Miss Fryer also trained a talented team of Year 3 and 4 children who went on to win a dance competition, showcasing her dedication to nurturing our children's talents beyond the classroom. Her love, fun spirit, and passion for everything pink—and her adorable cat—make her a truly wonderful member of our school community.

PTFA News

Please see below some important dates coming up in preparation for the Summer Fair

Own Clothes Day

Friday 4th July - £1

Summer Fair - Friday 11th July

Tesco Blue Token Scheme

Just a reminder that we have been successful in applying to be part of the Tesco Blue Token scheme. You can vote for our Opal programme in three stores

Tesco Express - Bowness Avenue

Tesco Express - Windle Island

Tesco Extra - on the Link Way.

Please let all your family and friends know to vote for QP.

Please share this video link with your family and friends

[Tesco Stronger Starts](#)

Dates for your Diary

- **Monday 7th July - Transition Week**
- **Friday 11th July - Vision Awards**
- **Friday 11th July - Reports to Parents**
- **Monday 14th July - Y6 Production (evening)**
- **Friday 18th July - Y6 Leavers' Service**



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.



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ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

Penalty Notice Fines for School are changing

These changes came into force from 19th August 2024

- 1st Offence**
The first time a penalty notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance it will be: **£160 per adult, per child (paid with 28 days)** Reduced to **£80 per adult per child** if paid in 21 days.
- 2nd Offence (within three years)**
The second penalty notice issued for term time leave or irregular attendance it will be: **£160 per adult per child, paid within 28 days.** There will be no reduced rate offered
- 3rd Offence and any further offences in three years**
The third time an offence is committed for term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case will be presented to the Magistrates Court. Magistrates fines can be up to **£2500 per parent, per child.** Cases found guilty in the Magistrates' Court can show on a parent's future DBS certificate due to failing to safeguard a child's education

10 sessions (5 days) within a 10-week period
Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence within a 10-week period

336 children had perfect attendance last week! Can we beat this next week?

Attendance Update

We work really hard each and every week to make sure every class beats out school target of 97% - this will help us to succeed

*Our Attendance this week - **94.9%***

*Our Attendance this year so far - **94.5%***

Individual Class Attendance

PR 95%	QR 93.8%
P1 94.8%	Q1 98.9%
P2 95.1%	Q2 90.8%
P3 98.3%	Q3 99.7%
P4 93.4%	Q4 91.8%
P5 98.4%	Q5 94.3%
P6 91.7%	Q6 91.9%

Dojo Winners



PR Ava T

P1 Jaxon L

P2 Ivan PT

P3 Lucas H

P4 Lewis B

P5 Alia A

P6 Keaton F

QR Paisley B

Q1 Mason B

Q2 Macy May B

Q3 Yanishaa J

Q4 Nathaniel W

Q5 Cordell H

Q6 Lexie BB

Star Badge Winners



PR Reuben O

QR Delilah J

P1 Erin J	Q1 Charlotte L
P2 Hunter R	Q2 Lyla O
P3 Savannah D	Q3 Tommy B
P4 Lola T	Q4 Freya C
P5 Ethan H	Q5 Annabelle O
P6 Ellie M	Q6 Harry P

Some of the wonderful adventures and achievements of our children over the last week





1 - Oliver has been and seen the premier league trophy at Anfield

Have a wonderful weekend