



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

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2025

Our value this half-term is Trust. 'My God is my strength in whom I trust' Psalm 18:2

Message from Mrs Kellett

Welcome back everyone!

What a lovely summer we've all had, and it's wonderful to see everyone back for what promises to be an exciting Autumn Term. There's something special about September, isn't there? That fresh start feeling, the buzz of anticipation, and the energy that comes with new beginnings.

I have to say, walking around school this week has filled me with such joy. The children have returned looking absolutely fantastic in their uniforms - you should be so proud of how smart they look! It really does make a difference, and I can see how much pride they're taking in their appearance. Let's keep this up throughout the term. Just a gentle reminder that we don't allow earrings, so please remember this when getting ready for school.

What's really struck me is how ready the children are to learn. You can see it in their faces, hear it in their voices, and feel it in the atmosphere around school. They've come back refreshed and eager, which is exactly what we love to see. We've got lots of fantastic learning planned for this term, and I know the children are going to throw themselves into it with enthusiasm.

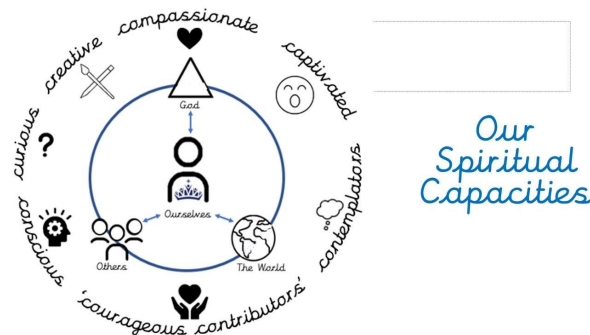
I'm particularly excited to share that Opal is up and running again, and the children are absolutely loving it! It's been wonderful to see them engaging with this provision and making the most of the opportunities it offers. Their excitement is infectious, and it's clear that this is going to be a real highlight of their school experience. Please remember to ensure your child has a warm coat and wellies. Come and visit our welly swap if you need to at the front of school.

Now, a few important notices for you. Reading books will be coming home this week, which I know many of you have been waiting for. Please try to read with your child at least four times a week - this really does make such a difference to their progress and confidence. Those regular reading sessions at home are invaluable, and your support means the world to both your child and to us.

Keep an eye out for messages about after school clubs, which will be starting very soon. We're putting together an exciting programme, and I know there'll be something for everyone.

Thank you for such a positive start to the term. Here's to a wonderful Autumn Term ahead!

Spiritual Capacities



This week, we look at contemplation and how this means to think deeply. It could also mean to be still and reflective. Today in our worship, we all did a mediation exercise to be still and at peace.

Every week - we are going to consider a 'Big Question' The children loved these today and it was wonderful to hear the discussions they were having. This week's 'Big Question' is

Would you sooner have a million pounds or a million laughs?

We would really love to hear your thoughts.

Immunisations

Flu Immunisations

The school immunisation team will be attending our school on **Tuesday 21st October**. (For Y6 children at PGL, an alternative date is to be agreed).

Please visit this link <https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/> and complete your Childs flu form with a consent or decline as soon as possible. You can select the nasal spray for the best protection or the alternative injectable flu, if required via this link.If you require any further support, please contact the school Immunisation team on 0151 351 8805 who will be happy to help.

Queen's Park is going digital

I'm absolutely thrilled to share some exciting news with you all about a fantastic development that's happening right here at Queen's Park Primary School!

We've just introduced iPads across the school, and I couldn't be more excited about what this means for our children. Every child in Key Stage 2 now has their very own 1:1 iPad, while our younger learners in Key Stage 1 are sharing iPads on a 1:2 basis. This is such a significant step forward for our school, and I know it's going to make a real difference to how our children learn and engage with their education.

These iPads aren't just gadgets – they're powerful tools for learning and teaching that will enhance our curriculum in so many ways. We're preparing our children for the 21st century, giving them the digital skills and confidence they'll need as they grow and develop. It's wonderful to see how naturally the children have taken to using them already.

Now, I know some of you might be wondering about screen time, and I want to reassure you that we're managing this very carefully. We have clear guidelines in place – for example, iPads are never used as rewards or during wet play times. We're making full use of Opal.

All our filtering and monitoring systems are working perfectly, giving us complete peace of mind. There's lots more information to come about how we'll be using these fantastic resources, but I wanted to share this news with you because we're genuinely so excited about the provision we now have in school.

This is just the beginning of an exciting digital journey for our children!

Parent Communication

We're always looking for ways to make things simpler for our families, and one area we've been focusing on is streamlining the apps we use as a school. Having multiple platforms can be confusing and time-consuming for everyone, so we're working to bring everything together in one place.

In the coming weeks, we'll be moving to Arbor messages for all our school communications. This means that Class Dojo will no longer be used as a messaging system in the future. Don't worry though – we'll give you plenty of notice with a specific date for when this platform will no longer be used for messages.

This change will mean fewer apps to check and a more straightforward way to stay connected with school. All your messages, updates, and important information will be in one convenient place through Arbor. We really appreciate your patience as we make these improvements, and I'm confident this will make communication much easier for everyone.

SEND in the Spotlight

Meet the Inclusion Team

We have an experienced Inclusion Team at school who are here to support our children and families with additional needs. Should you have any questions or require any support, please speak with either your child's class teacher or contact a member of the Inclusion Team at school.



1 - Mrs Kennedy – Deputy Headteacher and SENCO



2 - Mrs Leadbetter – Pastoral and Safeguarding Lead



3 - Mrs Hughes – Pastoral Assistant

Education Sunday



Attached is our annual invite to our Education Sunday service here at school. We are so fortunate to be able to bring our school and Church communities together to celebrate everything about education. Please come along if you can. It is a relaxed service with tea/coffee and biscuits - what's not to love!

Dates for your Diary

Y6/EYFS - Height and Weight Screening - Monday 22nd September

European Day of Languages in school - Tuesday 23rd September

PGL Parents Meeting (Y6) Tuesday 23rd September (5pm)

Experience Harvest (Y5) - Tuesday 30th September

Education Sunday - Sunday 3rd October 10:00am

Y3 'Play in a Day' Y3 parents invited Tuesday 7th October 2:30pm

Y6 Parents' Evening - Thursday 16th October 3pm - 6pm

Book Fair arrives - Monday 20th October - Friday 24th October

Y6 to PGL - Monday 20th October - Wednesday 22nd October

World Mental Health Day (Children to wear yellow) Friday 10th October

Flu Immunisations - Reception -Y5. Tuesday 21st October

Autumn Parents evening - Reception - Y5 - Thursday 23rd October

School finishes for half term - Friday 24th October

School reopens for Autumn 2 - Tuesday 4th November

Individual Class photos - Tuesday 11th November

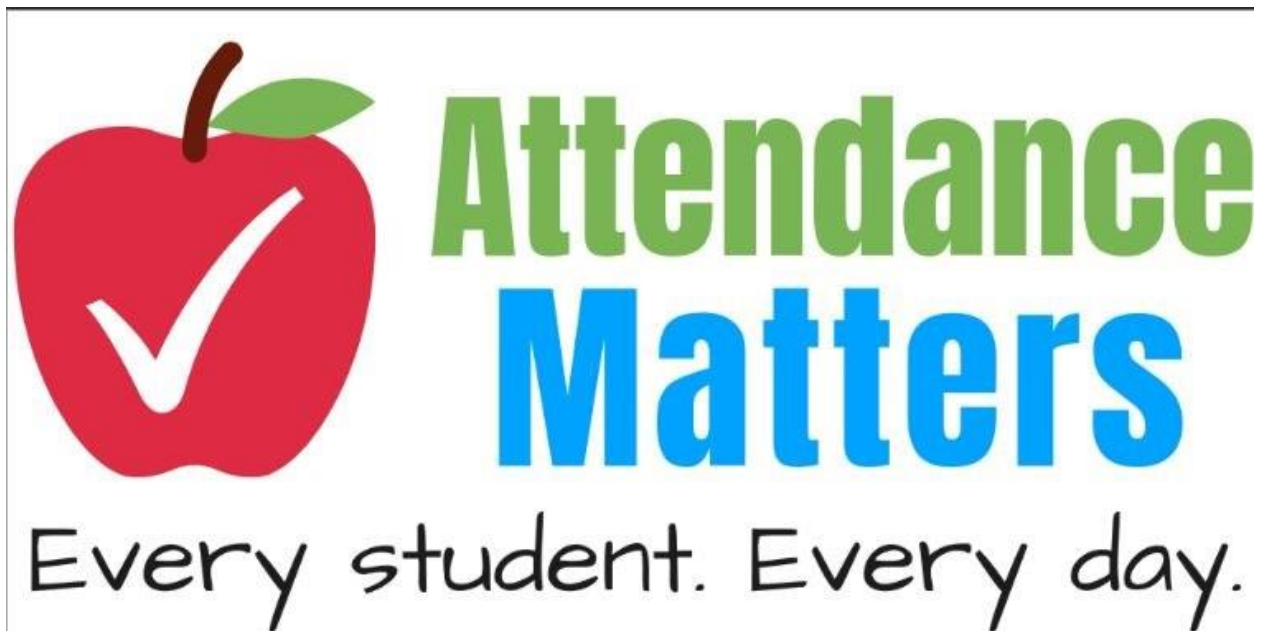
EYFS Nativity for Parents - Thursday 4th December (9:30am)



Year 2 Nativity for Parents - Thursday 11th December (9:30am)

Christmas Celebration -Year One to St Lukes Friday 12th December

School finishes for Christmas - Friday 19th December

Attendance Matters





Penalty Notice Fines for School are changing

These changes came into force from 19th August 2024

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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.

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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

3

Third 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

340 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 - **95.36%***

*Our Attendance this year so far - **95.36%***

'In to Win' at Queen's Park

Launching Sept 2025

Attendance Ambassadors

Our new Attendance Ambassadors (working with Mrs Mullins) will launch our new 'In to Win' league in September.

'In to Win' League

Each class are a team in our attendance league. The league table will reset after each half term. The league table will be displayed in the hall for everyone to see.

Weekly 'Matches'

Each week, two teams will compete in a match (set by the Attendance Ambassadors). Winners will be announced weekly in Star Badge assembly.

How to score points

Just like the football league, if you win your match you score 3 points, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss. These points will be added to the league table..

League Winners

The two teams at the top of the table at the end of the half term will win a non-uniform day. Watch out though because the teacher of the team at the bottom of the table will face a forfeit in the half termly attendance assembly!



Dojo Winners



PR Bryony W

QR Fatima H

P1 Lillie B	Q1 Freddie H
P2 Phoebe H	Q2 Connor H
P3 Thea P	Q3 Lewis S
P4 Kai Mc	Q4 Alex T
P5 Tudor C	Q5 David D
P6 Billie Jo L	Q6 Alexa L

Star Badge Winners



PR Carter J	QR Lyla S
P1 Ayva S	Q1 Jessica T
P2 Adam K	Q2 Cayden S
P3 Bobby R	Q3 Olivia Mai G
P4 Libby H	Q4 Ansell O
P5 Lewis B	Q5 Xiomara M
P6 Ethan K	Q6 Imran A

Some of the wonderful adventures and achievements of our children over the summer





4 - Eric scored 2 goals last weekend and received 'Parents Player of the Match'





5 - A super fun activity for free at Victoria Park! Eric loved it!



6 - Jacob completed the Summer Reading Challenge and received his certificate last week. Well done



7 - Rhys and Harry had an incredible summer visiting Singapore and Australia. Wow!



8 - Elliott and Gwendolyn have been busy all summer and completed lots of their summer challenges. Well done



9 - Jack went to a Steam event with his Grandad



10 - Another wonderful summer challenge completed by Lucas in Year 5. Well done



11 - Well done to April for completing the Summer Reading Challenge



12 - Georgia and Scarlett received their certificate for the Summer Reading Challenge. Well done girls



13 - Georgia and Scarlett completed their first dance competition of the season on the weekend which was a champion of champions, and both placed. Well done girls - you look amazing



14 - Scarlett receiving the mini adjudicator award!

Have a wonderful weekend