



# 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**

What a vibrant week we've had at our school! Our Geography week has been absolutely buzzing with energy and exploration. Our children have been out and about, conducting fantastic fieldwork across Taylor Park, Cambridge Road, and the East Lancs. They've been working incredibly hard to understand and discover more about our local area - their curiosity and enthusiasm never cease to amaze me.

I wanted to extend a huge thank you to all the parents who attended our PGL meeting this week. The excitement is building for our Year 6 children's upcoming residential trip, and we have some truly exciting plans in store for them.

Speaking of our Year 6 children, a group of our boys represented Queen's Park brilliantly at De la Salle this Monday. They played their first football competition fixture and demonstrated our school values with exceptional sportsmanship throughout the matches. They're now gearing up for their next match on 6th October - we'll be cheering them on!

I also have a bittersweet announcement to share. Our wonderful Miss Lockett from Early Years Foundation Stage and Breakfast Club will be leaving us after an incredible 19-year journey with Queen's Park. She's moving on to become a college tutor, where she'll spread her remarkable knowledge, skills, and experience. She'll be influencing and inspiring future teachers and teaching assistants. While we're immensely proud of her next steps, she will be deeply missed by our entire school community.

Wishing everyone a wonderful week ahead.

## **Reading is our beating heart**

Reading is fundamental to everything we do here at Queen's Park. We are really proud of the reading offered at our school and the importance we place on reading. We are lucky enough to subscribe to two online programmes to support children's reading. We had so many children using them last year but we have started off very slow this year. Please use these resources. They are so helpful in helping children progress with their reading.

Reading Eggs - year 1 and year 2. We will get EYFS on this platform when they are ready.

Reading Plus - year 3, 4, 5 and 6.

If you have lost your child's login, just let their class teacher know.



## Welcome and Worship

Thank you to some of our year four parents who came along to join in our worship session this week. It is lovely to have you in our classrooms enjoying this time with your children.

Dates coming up

Year Three - Wednesday 1st October 9am

Year Two - Wednesday 8th October 9am

EYFS/Year One - Wednesday 15th October 9am

## Your feedback matters!

As part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring that our school's Christian vision and values have a positive impact on our Community, we would like to hear your views.

We are inviting all parents and carers to complete a short survey which will help us understand how our Christian vision and values are reflected in the life of the school and the experiences of our children.

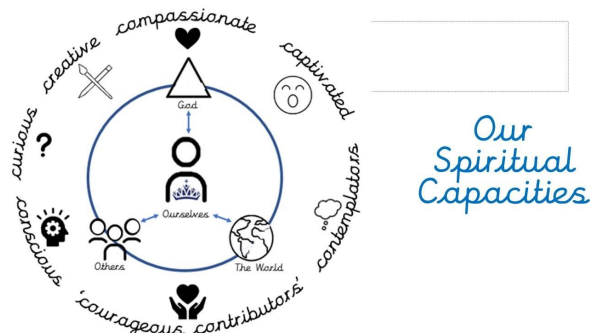
Your feedback is very important in helping us celebrate what is working well and consider any areas we can strengthen further.

The survey should only take a few minutes to complete.

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We greatly value your partnership and thank you in advance for taking the time to share your views.

## Spiritual Capacities





At Queen's Park, we want to make a difference and be agents of change. We refer to ourselves as **Courageous Contributors**. Making courageous contributions to society gives us the opportunity to deepen our spirituality. We define spirituality as understanding and connecting with ourselves, others, the world and God. Contributing allows us to see ourselves as agents of change who can make a positive impact on others and the world. We are change-makers in God's name and take inspiration from the heroes of the Bible. This year, each cohort has planned a **Passion Project** that they will implement throughout the year and assess for impact over time. We are really excited about our upcoming projects and about working alongside members of the community to make a positive difference.

### Our Passion Projects

**EYFS – We all belong at Queen's Park** A settling in project linked to our class fox Reggie to help him settle into QP life. We will help him learn about our school, and important rules and routines

**Year 1 – Wildlife Project 'Connecting with the world around us'** We want to enhance the outdoor area to encourage local and diverse wildlife to visit our field.

**Year 2 – No poo zone!** We have noticed that some dog owners do not pick up their pet's waste – this spoils our lovely public spaces. We want to encourage dog owners to pick up their dog's poo at Taylor Park.

**Year 3 – Connecting with our community** We are making connections with local residential care homes to provide love and friendship to others. We will be visiting frequently throughout the year.

**Year 4 – Master of Waters: celebrating culture, identity and heritage** The project celebrates James Clarke – a pioneering figure who dedicated his life to saving others, teaching water safety and building community in the city of Liverpool. His grandson, Chris, will come in to launch the project.

**Year 5 – Stop Hate, Speak Out!** We want to make sure that racism and hateful language will never be used in our school. We have liaised with John Williams (Merseyside Police first Black Detective Chief Inspector and former staff member at the Anthony Walker Foundation) to arrange for him to speak to us and see how we can help in our local community

**.Year 6 - Welly Walk for Willowbrook** We have seen how cancer affects families and want to raise money and awareness to support. We will plan an event to fundraise for a brilliant hospice so that they can continue to support others.

## Queen's Park's Big Question



This week's big question to discuss on your way home from school, around the dinner table, washing the dishes - anywhere really!

***What makes you happy?***

## 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

Contact [palcommunity@outlook.com](mailto:palcommunity@outlook.com) for more information



**Positive Autistic Living**

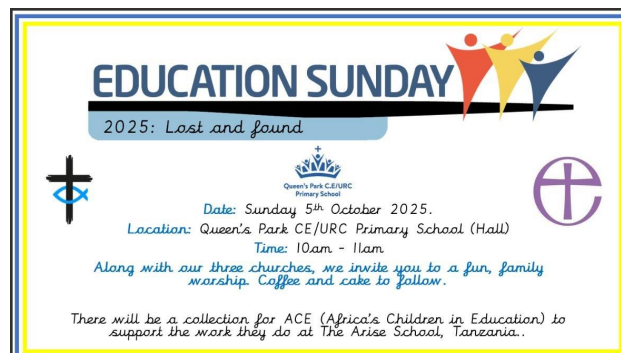
We want to help enable parents/carers to feel more positive and empowered to deal with everyday & future challenges that autism brings.

What do we offer in our support sessions?

- After Support
- Emotional Support
- Knowledge Sharing
- And so much more...




If you have an autistic child, sibling or family member and you feel you would like to join our community then do come along to our meetings where you can be sure of a warm welcome and a hot cuppa. We provide a much-needed service to the families of St Helens and surrounding areas and have received much positive feedback.

## Education Sunday



**EDUCATION SUNDAY**

2025: *Lost and Found*

*Date: Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025.*  
*Location: Queen's Park CE/URC Primary School (Hall)*  
*Time: 10am - 11am*  
*Along with our three churches, we invite you to a fun, family worship. Coffee and cake to follow.*

*There will be a collection for ACE (Africa's Children in Education) to support the work they do at The Arise School, Tanzania.*

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

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

Every student. Every day.



**ATTENDANCE MATTERS.**  
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

*328 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 - **96.17%***

*Our Attendance this year so far - **95.56%***

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# '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** Cierra Jane S    **QR** Amelia Rose B

<b>P1</b> Orry C	<b>Q1</b> Oliver P
<b>P2</b> Lana R	<b>Q2</b> Jack H
<b>P3</b> Ivan PT	<b>Q3</b> Alfie M
<b>P4</b> Ilaisia PP	<b>Q4</b> Jacob S
<b>P5</b> Jacob L	<b>Q5</b> Nathaniel W
<b>P6</b> Tyvon John R	<b>Q6</b> Kian H

### Star Badge Winners



<b>PR</b> Amber R	<b>QR</b> Teslim A
<b>P1</b> Isla B	<b>Q1</b> Anderson O
<b>P2</b> Daisy P	<b>Q2</b> Ella H
<b>P3</b> Eva Marie BV	<b>Q3</b> Carter S
<b>P4</b> Fletcher BM	<b>Q4</b> Milani M
<b>P5</b> Tommy W	<b>Q5</b> Varshan J
<b>P6</b> Billie Jo L	<b>Q6</b> Annabelle O

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





1 - Thea has passed all silver badges and moved up to gold in her rookie lifeguard course



2 - Exploring the heart of Africa at Chester zoo. Millie and Eric enjoyed reading and learning.



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4 - Curtis was also awarded trainer of the week.



*5 - Curtis won player of the match at rugby*



*6 - Jack helped his grandad paint his shed on his allotment*



*7 - Poppy passed her level 7 swimming*



*8 - Phoebe was awarded 'Parents' Player of the Match'*



9 - Theo played his first rugby match on Sunday for Pilks Recs.



*10 - Fletcher made a stone village over the weekend.*

**Have a wonderful weekend**