



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

Queen's Park Post Friday 6th February
2026

Our value this half term is **honesty**. *'May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope, Lord, is in you.'* – Psalm 25:21

Message from Mrs Kellett

Dear Parents,

What a fantastic week we've had at Queen's Park Primary School! I wanted to share some exciting updates and important information with you.

Our Year 6 boys were absolute stars during their recent football tournament. Despite facing freezing, cold, and blustery conditions, they showed incredible courage and perseverance. Their

determination was truly inspiring - battling the elements and giving their all is something we should all be proud of!

We were delighted to welcome our wonderful friends from URC Ormskirk Street, who delivered a thought-provoking worship that really engaged our children. Their visit was a meaningful moment for our school community.

Exciting plans are underway for World Book Day, and this year we're focusing on sustainability. We'll be exploring how we can be courageous contributors to our environment. Please check the attached information for more details about the day's activities.

A quick reminder about some important dates and notices:

The Book Fair arrives on Monday, and we really appreciate your support. Every purchase helps us directly fund our school library, so please do come along if you can.

Parents' evening is this Thursday 12th February for EYFS to Year 5. If you're having any difficulties booking a slot, please contact the school office who will be happy to help.

I also need to share a few key notices. First, parking at the back of the school near the nursery requires extra care. There are lots of young children around, so please be sensible and drive carefully.

A uniform reminder: black leggings are not part of our school uniform. Please ensure children are dressed appropriately.

Lastly, our Junior Leadership Team (JLT) will be showcasing our proposed new PE kit at parents' evening on Thursday. Do take a look and share your thoughts.

Thank you for your continued support.

Important Allergy/Food Information



St Helens Catering Service-School Lunch Special Dietary Request

Please remember to inform St Helens Catering Service if your child has a food allergy / intolerance / special requirement e.g. halal menu, The QR code will take you to a form to complete for the Catering Dept. If you need a paper copy, please pop into the office.

Once complete, can you check that the information has appeared on your School Grid account.

Half term Activities

I have attached a link with all the activities available during half term in the family hubs.

[Half Term Offer February 2026](#)

Family Arts Day



The poster for Family Arts Day features a green and blue color scheme. At the top, the title 'family arts day' is written in a bold, green, sans-serif font. Below the title, a blue banner contains the text: 'This FREE session offers the opportunity for families living within our community in St Helens, from any background, to come together, socialise and create!'. The event details are presented in three columns: 'date:' (Tuesday 17th February), 'location:' (Moss Bank Children's Centre, WA11 7PQ), and 'time:' (3:00 pm - 5:00 pm). A 'sign up now:' section includes the email 'info@digitalartsbox.org', the phone number '0151 433 2223', the website 'www.digitalartsbox.org', and a QR code. A photograph of the Moss Bank Children's Centre is shown in a hexagonal frame. Below this, a collage of six hexagonal images shows children and adults engaged in various art activities like drawing, painting, and using digital devices. At the bottom, logos for Digital Arts Box and St Helens Council are displayed.

This February half term, we're running a free art session where families from St Helens can come together for a fun, creative morning.

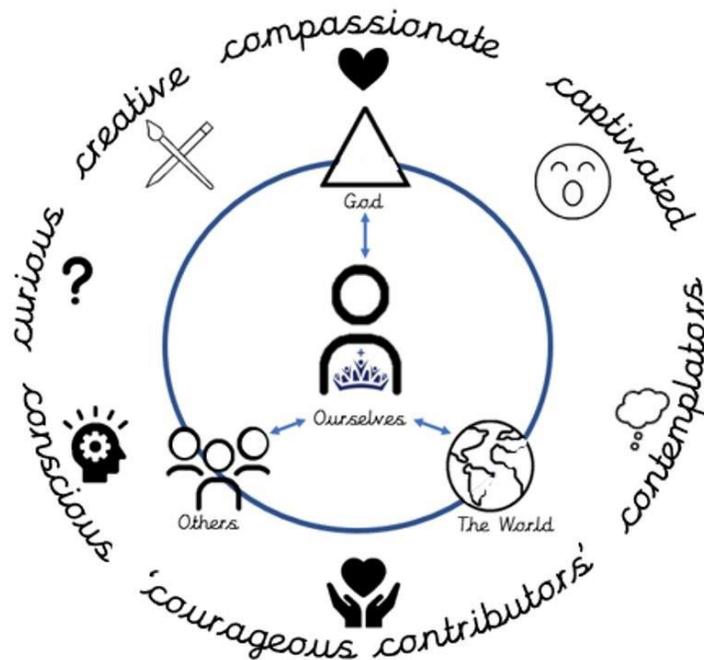
Event Details: 📅 Date: Tuesday 17th February

🕒 Time: 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

📍 Location: Moss Bank Children's Centre, WA11 7PQ

✂️ Activities include LEGO, 3D pens, digital art, crafts and more. Free refreshments will also be provided! 📍 Families can sign up here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-family-arts-day-st-helens-tickets-1980366838524?aff=Schools>

Valuing our Vision!



Our
Spiritual
Capacities

Thank you to our year four parents who enjoyed our session this week

Spring Term Dates - Please see below the dates for the Wednesday morning sessions -**Valuing our Vision!**

Y5/Y6 - Wednesday 11th February

Dates for Spring 2 with a reading focus. Come to a our '**Drop and Read**' sessions

- Wednesday 25th February - Year 5 and Year 4
- Wednesday 4th March - Year 2
- Wednesday 11th March - Year 1 and Year 3
- Wednesday 18th March - EYFS and Year 6

Queen's Park's Big Question

The Big Questions

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

Would you prefer to have wings or fins?

SEND in the Spotlight



Next week is our spring term Parents Evening for EYFS – Year 5. As with Autumn term, we will be having various services who support families of children with SEND and other support needs present to offer advice and support. We are hoping that representatives from school health, Neurodevelopmental Pathway, CGL and ADDvanced Solutions will be present to name just a few!

IASS

I have been asked to share this web site with you. The site explains what support IASS can offer to children and young people with SEND and their families. It includes details about the service, how to make a self referral, and information about upcoming SEND drop in session.

[St Helens IASS - Information, Advice and Support Service](#)

Neurodevelopment Pathway drop-in sessions

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.

Tuesdays at Parr Children's Centre and Central Link Family Hub
See details and times below

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

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

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

27 January at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

24 March at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

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

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

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

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

24 February at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

28 April at Central Link Family Hub, 1pm to 4pm.

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

We work with children and young people with complex neurodevelopmental difficulties, who need an assessment to gain a better understanding of their needs.

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

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

If you need more information you can contact us on 01744 415 608 or email: mcn-tr.sthelensneuropathway@nhs.net



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Green Tip of the Week

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Create a "Switch-Off" Routine



Get the whole family involved in turning off lights, TVs, and chargers before bed or when leaving rooms. Make it a daily habit like brushing teeth.

OPAL - Can you help and Parental Survey

Please see below a link to a survey to collect your views on the impact OPAL has had on your child.

[OPAL – Fill out form](#)



**Bring-it-in
BINCO**

We need your help! We are looking for donations.
Can we get them all?
Please send them in with your child.

As we develop our outside area, we are in need of the following items...

 Frying pans	 Large Spoons	 Cake Tins
 Saucepans (no lids)	 Baking Trays/Racks	 Whisks Attachment
 Cutlery (no sharp knives)	 Spatulas	 Metal Bowls

MUD KITCHEN





Dear Parents,

JLT need your help! We have noticed that the playground and the field can sometimes look untidy due to litter. We want to improve our environment but need your help. Can you use a power-drill?

Do you own a saw?

Do you have any spare time to help with our project?

We will provide all the essential materials such as pallets, pipes etc. We just need you and your skills.

If you can help, can you please message us via Mrs Kellett on school dojo and we will be in touch? We have provided a photograph to help you understand our vision. We will need two of these stations complete

Dates for your Diary

Monday 9th February - - Friday 13th February - Book Fair at School

Tuesday 10th February - Q3 at Ruskin Lodge

Thursday 12th February - P3 at Ruskin Lodge

Thursday 12th February - EYFS - Y5 Parents' Evening

Friday 13th February - School finishes for half term

Monday 23rd February - School reopens

Monday 23rd February - Friday 27th February - Earth Week

Friday 27th February - A farm to visit EYFS

Thursday 4th March - World Book Day

Tuesday 10th March - Q3 at Ruskin Lodge

Thursday 12th March - P3 at Ruskin Lodge

Tuesday 17th March - Y2 to URC Ormskirk Street for Experience Easter

Tuesday 24th March - Y1 Easter Performance - **Parents invited at 9:15am**

Tuesday 24th March - Cowley Panto in school

Wednesday 25th March - BTales Easter Performance

Friday 27th March - Earth Hour

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Attendance Matters



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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

1

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.

2

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

302 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 - 93.95%

Our Attendance this year so far - 93.98%

'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 Meerab F

QR Ethan H

P1 Tobias B	Q1 Leah W
P2 Mason A	Q2 Evie M
P3 Jidenna M	Q3 Lyla O
P4 Olivia C	Q4 Noah T
P5 Lewis B	Q5 Caleb R
P6 Lydia G	Q6 Macauley B

Star Badge Winners



PR Billy M	QR Salman A
P1 Yaiswanth J	Q1 Francesca H
P2 Eric L	Q2 Eliza T
P3 Darcie M	Q3 Olivia T
P4 Thoriq A	Q4 Jacob S
P5 Amber C	Q5 Xiomara M
P6 Izzy O	Q6 Alexa L

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





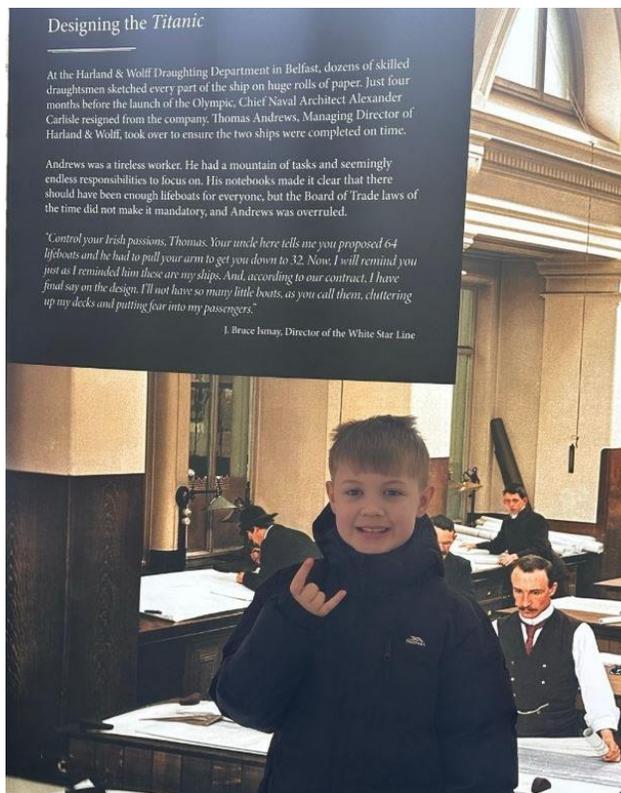
1 - Rhys and Harry went indoor skydiving this weekend



2 - Rhys and Harry went indoor skydiving this weekend



3 - Isla had a brilliant time at strictly come dancing live at the weekend.



Designing the Titanic

At the Harland & Wolff Draughting Department in Belfast, dozens of skilled draughtsmen sketched every part of the ship on huge rolls of paper. Just four months before the launch of the Olympic, Chief Naval Architect Alexander Carlisle resigned from the company. Thomas Andrews, Managing Director of Harland & Wolff, took over to ensure the two ships were completed on time.

Andrews was a tireless worker. He had a mountain of tasks and seemingly endless responsibilities to focus on. His notebooks made it clear that there should have been enough lifeboats for everyone, but the Board of Trade laws of the time did not make it mandatory, and Andrews was overruled.

"Control your Irish passions, Thomas. Your uncle here tells me you proposed 64 lifeboats and he had to pull your arm to get you down to 32. Now, I will remind you just as I reminded him these are my ships. And, according to our contract, I have final say on the design. I'll not have so many little boats, as you call them, cluttering up my decks and putting fear into my passengers."

J. Bruce Ismay, Director of the White Star Line

4 - Kai went to The Titanic in Focus Exhibition where he learnt lots more facts about The Titanic!



5 - Theo has enjoyed his first fishing trip



6 - and has joined beavers

Have a wonderful weekend