



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

Queen's Park Post Friday 10th July 2026

Our value this half term is **hope**. "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." (Romans 15:13)

Message from Mrs Kellett

What a week it's been! .

Our Year Six children have had an absolutely brilliant time this week with their 'Back Pack to Success' Day. It's been wonderful to see them so engaged and well-behaved as they've taken part in a range of workshops designed to support their transition to secondary school. We've had the Mental Health Support Team, Community Police, Youth Drug and Alcohol Team, and School Health all in to share their expertise, alongside some brilliant practical sessions with Judo

and Tennis. It's these kinds of experiences that really help our children feel prepared and confident as they move on to the next chapter of their education. Thank you to Mrs Leadbetter for organising such a wonderful day for our children.

I also have to mention the sponsored welly walk – what a fantastic event that was! Every single child in school took part in Year Six's Passion Project and I'm genuinely thrilled with how much enthusiasm and energy they brought to it. I know the children have been working hard to collect sponsor money for both OPAL and Willowbrook and it's been heartwarming to see the whole school community get behind them. If you haven't already done so, please do make sure any sponsor money is in to school by Friday 17th July so we can get the final totals together.

It was one of my favourite mornings in our school calendar today. We came together to recognise children who have really embodied our school vision '**For with God, everything is possible**'. I won't lie, it's always a difficult decision choosing who to celebrate because we have so many wonderful children doing amazing things every single day. But these moments of recognition are so important – they remind us all of the values we hold dear and the kind of community we're building together.

Today we've sent out end of year reports, and I'd like to thank all our staff for the care and thought they've put into these. Your feedback is really valued, and I hope you find the reports helpful in understanding your child's progress and next steps. If you could please complete this short form to gather your feedback?

[Reports Feedback – Fill out form](#)

I should mention that Year Six reports are missing their SATs results at the moment – as you may have heard, these have been delayed nationally and we're expecting them to arrive on Thursday 16th July. We'll make sure those results are shared with families as soon as we receive them.

Football fever has really hit QP today and I hope you all enjoy the football fun this weekend. Come on England!

Year One Trip to Martin Mere

Year 1 had a fantastic day at Martin Mere, enjoying lots of exciting activities in the beautiful sunshine. The children had so much fun exploring the wetlands, spotting wildlife, and learning about nature. They showed excellent behaviour, kindness, and enthusiasm throughout the trip, representing our school brilliantly. It was a memorable day filled with smiles, laughter, and wonderful learning experiences

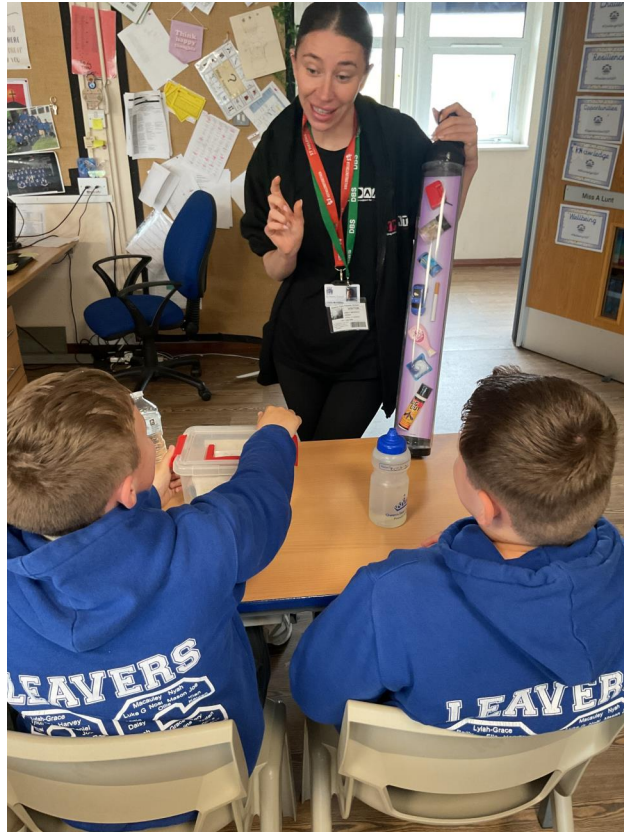


Great British Summer Savings

From 25 June to 1 September 2026, the Government is temporarily cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to a wide range of attractions. Combined with free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England, families and young people will be able to enjoy experiences that make summer special, including visits to the kinds of cultural and educational attractions that enrich children's lives outside the classroom.

Backpack to Success- Year Six







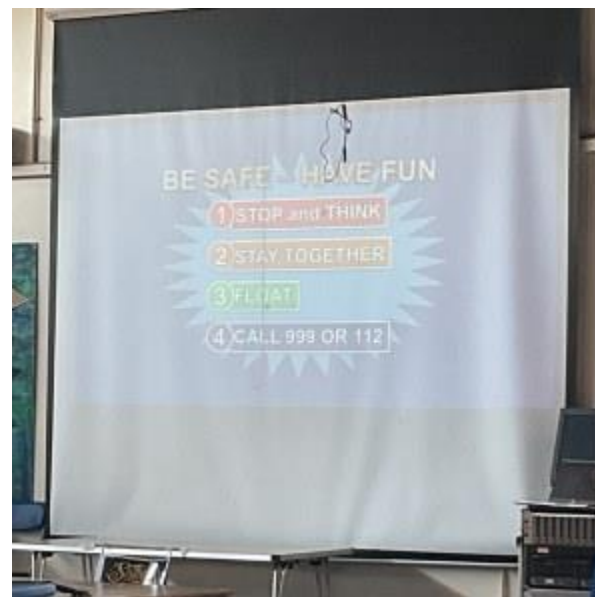






RNLI Visit







Arbor Parent App



We are pleased to let you know that from **September** we will be introducing the **Arbor Parent App** as our new all-in-one parent communication platform. This means that **ParentPay** will no longer be used and **ClassDojo** will be only for rewards and behaviour points, as all school

communications, payments, and other important information will be managed through the Arbor Parent App.

We kindly ask all parents and carers to download the app now and sign in using the **email address currently held by the school**. If you experience any difficulties accessing your account or have any questions, please contact the school office **before Friday 17th July** so that we can resolve any issues before the new system goes live in September.

School Grid for ordering lunches will remain as a separate app.

Sun Safety



Remember... stay Sun SAFE...

Stay Away (from the sun in the middle of the day) The sun is super strong then! Find shade to cool off in.

Always Use Suncream: Put it on before you go out to play! Remember to reapply.

Find Protective Clothing: Hats and Sunglasses are a must! Wear them to protect yourself from the sun.

Everyone Needs to be Careful: The sun can be dangerous!

Holiday Activities & Food Programme (HAF)

Please click on the link below for all the information on the HAF Programme running over the school holidays.

https://sthelens.gov.uk/media/14533/HAF-SUMMER-2026/pdf/Holiday_and_Food_Programme_HAF_Summer_2026.pdf?m=1782732522437&fbclid=IwRIrTSASw8P1wZG9mA2ZkaWQWUJrCHMZA0SyGiVwaFyoX59bA1jdQdGV4dG4DYWVtAjEwAHNydGMGYXBwX2lkCjY2Mjg1NjgzNzkAAR5cDvXzsE4Fx_IUxMSwqa8BC7-fWVqmivnlfNsSsl-ExNtHsGjv5IRINLWAnQ_aem_owkdDjta2J1yZzCgD3qg-Q&dm_i=YFK,991JS,4AXJ98,12U9Z7,1,0,0,0

All About Family St Helens

Please find the link to the Summer Issue of All About Family St Helens.

Inside, you will find useful advice on;

Screen Time Advice from NSPCC

Making The Most Out Of Open Days

Making The Leap To High School

Hot Weather Advice from St John Ambulance

Social Media Advice from NSPCC

New Children's Book Reviews

Adult Education

Dealing With Stress Over The Holidays

Create A Child Friendly Garden

Splash Safety Campaign from RLSS UK

Local Events and Days Out

Link below:

www.allabout-family.co.uk/st-helens

Water Safety Advice



OPEN WATER: DON'T TAKE THE RISK

Swimming in or playing near rivers and canals may seem like a great idea, particularly on a warm day, but it could all end in tragedy. **DON'T take the risk.**

THE WATER IS COLD...
...even on very warm days, rivers and canals contain water barely above 10 degrees. Sudden immersion can lead to cold water shock, which can cause gasping and intake of water.
This can be deadly in a matter of seconds.

WHAT LIES BENEATH?
The water is untreated and can make you ill.
Canals and rivers contain pollutants, sewage and often unseen underwater obstructions and snag hazards.
Debris under the water such as shopping trolleys, broken glass and cans can cause injury or trap you.

DID YOU KNOW?
Even the narrowest of rivers can be considerably deep. Rivers are subject to strong flow and hidden currents which can trouble even the strongest of swimmers.

Remember, there are no lifeguards to help you at your local river, lake, canal or dam.

Rivers can be very difficult to climb out of, especially with steep or slimy banks. **Stay clear of rivers with steep or unguarded banks.**

IN AN EMERGENCY...NEVER enter the water to try and help a person or animal. You could get into difficulty yourself. Instead, dial 999 and use any water rescue equipment that is available.
If you fall into the water unexpectedly, fight your instinct to thrash around. Instead, lean back, extend your arms and legs & float.

MERSEYSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE
www.merseysidefire.gov.uk



BEACH SAFETY: KNOW THE DANGERS



MUD AND QUICKSAND
Large areas of the coast can have mud and quicksand which can cause you to get trapped and risk drowning.

REDUCE THE RISK
Check tide times
Follow warning sign advice
Avoid crossing estuaries and mud where there can be hidden channels or fast water
If trapped, **sit back and spread your weight evenly across the surface**
Stop others from trying to help you as they may get stuck
Call **999** immediately and ask for the **Coastguard**

IF YOU SEE SOMEONE STRUGGLING:



PHONE 999
Tell them to **FLOAT** on their back
THROW them something to help them float



DO NOT USE INFLATABLES

Strong currents can sweep inflatables and people out to sea

FOLLOW THE FLAGS



There are lifeguards in the area. Swim between the two flags.



Do not enter the water. There could be unseen dangers such as currents.



No swimming in this area. There may be non-powered watercraft such as surfboards, kayaks, etc. in this area.



TOP TIP
ALWAYS GO TO A BEACH WITH A LIFEGUARD



BE SAFE – HAVE FUN

1 STOP and THINK

2 STAY TOGETHER

3 FLOAT

4 CALL 999 OR 112



Beach Flags

If the beach you're at is not lifeguarded, please take extra care if you are going into the water. If lifeguards are on patrol, then you'll need to know your flags.



Red and Yellow beach flag

Lifeguard-patrolled swimming and body boarding zone or lifeguard on duty. This shows the lifeguarded area and is the safest place to swim and bodyboard.



Black and White chequered beach flag

Surfboard and other watercraft zone or zone boundary. For surfboards, stand-up paddleboards, kayaks and other non-powered craft. Launch and recovery area for jetsurfers and windsurfers. Never swim or bodyboard here.



Red beach flag

Dangerous conditions: do not enter the water.



Orange windsock

Danger: no inflatables to be used on the water.

Indicates offshore or strong wind conditions.

Never use inflatables when the windsock is flying.



Phonics Links

We have created this document so that all of the phonics links we send home are in one place. You could watch one video, two videos or even 3 videos a week! It's completely up to you.

Watch, watch and watch again - each one of the links will be a fantastic chance to practise recognising sounds and reading words, both real and alien. Don't forget to comment in your child's reading record book which video they have watched, it all counts towards their weekly reads.

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/OmZ2t4GdEsKSJTmW?ref=Link>

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.

OPAL - can you help?



We are looking to create a feature like this. If you can donate or know someone who can donate clean guttering or pipes, can you let a member of staff know.

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!

The sun is a real star - if you were a real star, what qualities would you have?

SEND in the Spotlight

What's on over the Summer Holidays 2026

Advanced Solutions Community Network
supports the emotional health and wellbeing of neurodivergent children and young people, their families and the professionals that work with them. **No diagnosis or referral is needed to access the offer.**

Join us for our online learning opportunities...

Wednesday Online Community Network Group

Wednesdays, from 5:00pm - 6:30pm
Online via Zoom [Click here to register](#)

Wednesday 12th August	Sensory Processing Difficulties
Wednesday 19th August	Supporting Behaviours that Challenge

Neurodevelopmental Conditions Learning Programme

This programme equips parents and carers with a greater understanding of neurodevelopmental conditions, specific learning difficulties and associated mental health needs and provides practical strategies that support the difficulties that may present:

- Neurodevelopmental Conditions - Including Autism, ADHD, Sensory Processing Difficulties, Specific Learning Difficulties.
- Managing everyday challenges and behaviours - including sleep, toileting and eating difficulties.
- Your Local Offer, disability welfare rights and SEND, Early Help and Education Health Care Plans.

No referral or diagnosis is needed.

Monday and Wednesday Mornings
From 9:30am - 12:00pm [Click here to register](#)

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5	Session 6
Monday 3 rd August	Wednesday 5 th August	Monday 10 th August	Wednesday 12 th August	Monday 17 th August	Wednesday 19 th August

Get in touch with us
020 8547 0100
SUMMER HOLIDAY OFFER 2026

Green Tip of the Week

GREEN TIP OF THE WEEK

Reduce Single-Use Plastics



Reuse a bottle or cup for drinks instead of buying a single-use plastic bottle or coffee-cup.
Did you know? Coffee shops often give you a little bit of a discount for taking a refillable cup!

Dates for your Diary

Monday 13th July - Y6 Production 5pm

Friday 17th July - Y6 Leavers' Service 9:15am

Friday 17th July - school finishes for Summer

Attendance Matters





Queen's Park C.E. Primary School

ATTENDANCE MATTERS.
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

320 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 - **94.91%***

*Our Attendance this year so far - **94.36%***

It's coming home chosen by P5

'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'

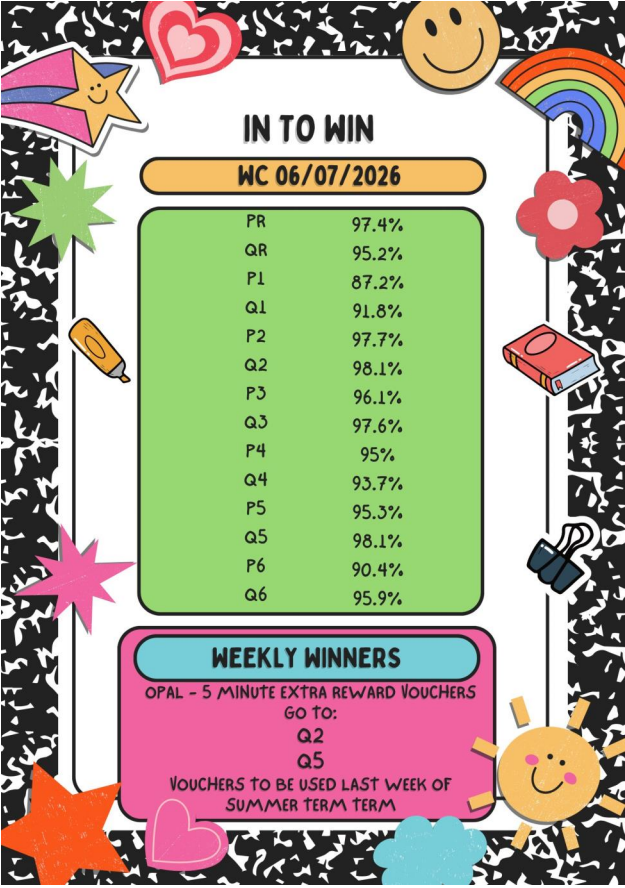
Each week, two teams will compete in a match (set by the Attendance Ambassadors). Winners will be announced weekly in Star Badge assembly.

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 AJ H

QR Thomas C

P1 Paisley B	Q1 Jessica T
P2 Eric L	Q2 Michael M
P3 Scarlet ML	Q3 Carter S
P4 Joel M	Q4 Kuba L
P5 Portia W	Q5 Georgia A
P6 Daniel P	Q6 Kaiden D

Star Badge Winners



PR Hope R	QR Layla H
P1 Raina P	Q1 Oliver P
P2 Scarlett A	Q2 Ella H
P3 Ryan B	Q3 Madison J
P4 Fletcher BM	Q4 Phoebe C
P5 Archie P	Q5 Nacho PP
P6 Thomas R	Q6 Jake J

Some of the wonderful achievements and adventures of our children
this week





1 - Every weekend Ethan loves to bake :) today he learned to make chocolate chip cookies



2 - Every weekend Ethan loves to bake :) today he learned to make chocolate chip cookies



3 - Eveline made her Rainbows Promise at Rainbows this week and was also awarded 5 badges.



4 - Charlotte completed the colour run on Saturday to raise money for Willowbrook Hospice



5 - Phoebe has completed all of her swimming lessons! She's now moving on to rookie lifeguard!

Have a lovely weekend