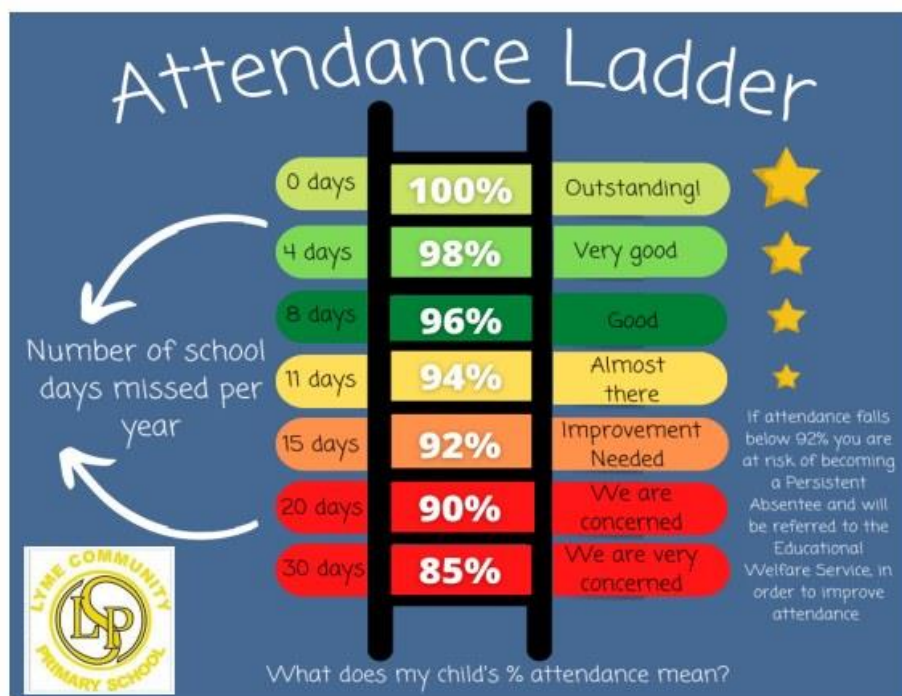




October 4 2025

Attendance



Article 28: Every child has the right to an education.

SCHOOL BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 8.45am FOR YR AND 8.50am FOR KS1 & KS2. The learning starts at 9am so we need the children in class and settled for then.

YR: 93.4%

Y1: 96.6%

Y2: 92.6%

Y3: 95.2%

Y4: 88.9%

Y5: 88.3%

Y6: 98.4%

Whole school: 93.5%

Local Authority average: 95.6%

Well done to all the classes this week who beat our target of 96%.

Look out for our Attendance Champions on the playground each day before school - they are there to promote and celebrate positive attendance each day.

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

*Please read our Attendance Guide - the full updated Attendance Policy can be found on our website. Our aim is for every child to be in school every day - with a target of **at least 96% attendance**. Please note that holidays in term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances - we need to receive notification (by filling in the form on the website/from the School Office) two weeks prior to their absence.*

Please visit the following website for further support and guidance around attendance:
<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/back-into-school/resources-for-families/>

Pupil Leadership updates



Thank you to our fabulous Attendance Champions, Ava and Kai from Year 6, who are on the playground every day welcoming everyone into school and sharing stickers on a Friday on the gate and in assembly.





Members of our Eco Team and friends have helped keeping the playground clear of leaves this week - thank you for your hard work!





Our safety Squad met with Mrs. Lammond and I this week to talk about what they want to achieve this year. We will update you next week on their action plan.



This week's achievers

*Every week the staff look out for those children who are just that little bit extra special in the current week to award them one of our **Achievers Certificates**. It might be for lots of effort, fantastic presentation, super learning behaviour, lovely manners, being extra helpful or just that bit more determined than the others to finish their work accurately. They might just be an outstanding all-rounder. Congratulations to this week's achievers :)*

YR: Blake and Carter

Y1: Arthur and Roman

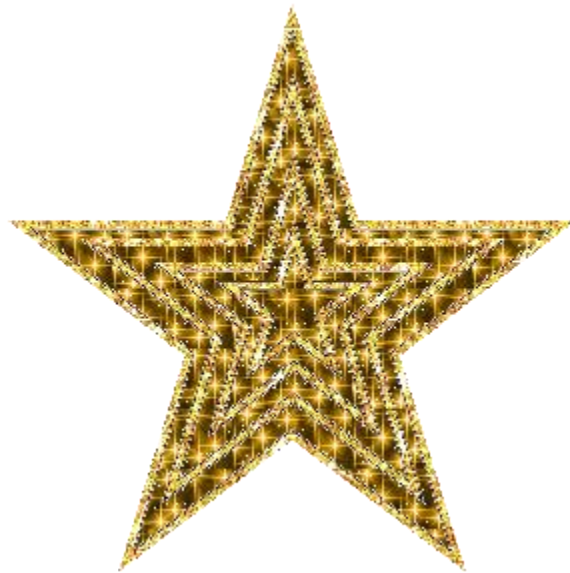
Y2: Florence and Esme

Y3: Millie and Willow

Y4: Kyree and Phoebe-May

Y5: Evie E and Layla

Y6: Alfie B and Amelia



Headteacher's Awards

Inspire
Challenge
Achieve
Nurture

*I will be awarding children across the school with a special certificate in our Celebration Assembly on a Friday who have demonstrated our school's **I CAN values - Inspire, Challenge, Achieve, Nurture.***

Inspire - Kycen and Yaqub (Y4) for inspiring others with their poems about diversity and being chosen as winners in the Merseyside Police Black History Month competition.

Challenge - Alfie P (Y6) for his excellent diary entry.

Achieve - Daisy F (Y6) and Phoebe (Y5) for their amazing achievements in raising money for 'Jayne's Journey' by selling bracelets and key rings.

Nurture - Rosie (Y6) for being a wonderful buddy and supporting others at break and lunch times.

Secret Students

Marvellous Manners: Roman (Y1)

Brilliant Behaviour: Roo (Y3)

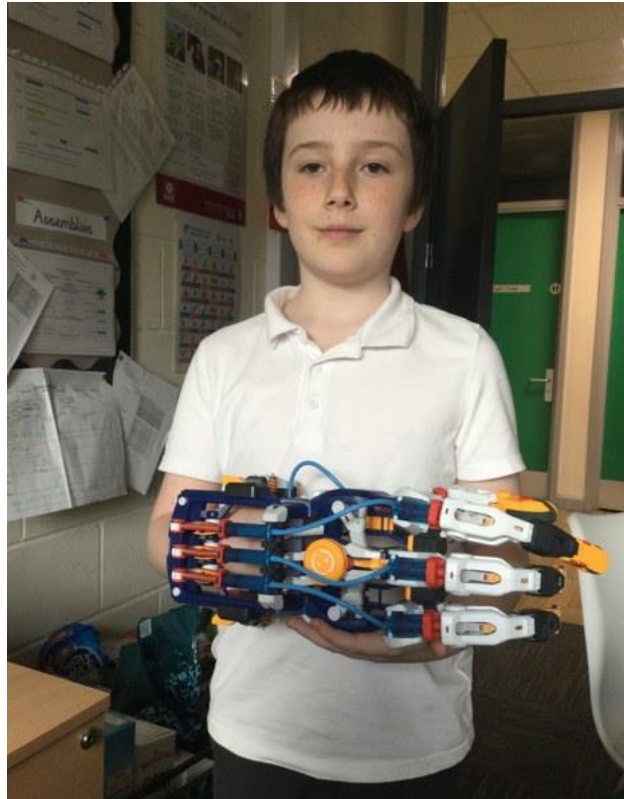
Perfect Presentation: Jenson (Y6)

Amazing Attitude: Reuben (YR)

Last week's winners will join me for hot chocolate and cake in the first week back after the holidays.

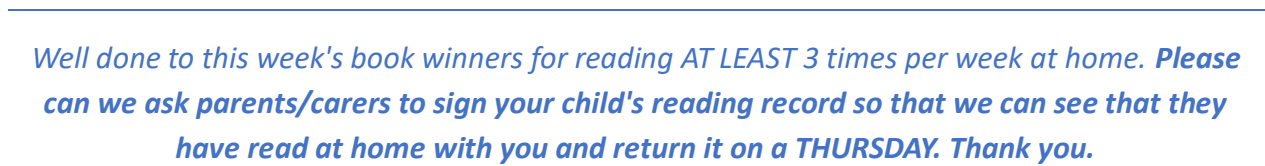
Lyme Superstars

Our amazing children always love to share how they are demonstrating our ICAN values outside of school. This year we will be sharing their achievements on the newsletter! Please encourage your child to bring in their trophies, medals and certificates.



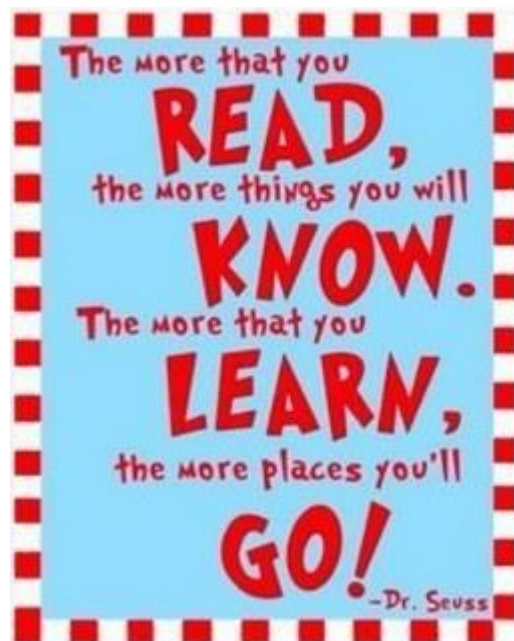


Well done to the Phonenix team - this week's team point winners!



*We have been really pleased with the increase in the number of children reading at home -
thank you for your support.*





Picture News



As a gold Rights-Respecting School, our children discuss different issues each week using Picture News. **This week's Picture News was all about the following question: What makes someone worthy of a Nobel Prize?**

TAKEHOME



What makes someone worthy of a Nobel Prize?

This year's Nobel Peace Prize has been awarded to María Corina Machado from Venezuela. The Nobel Prizes are special international awards, given each year to people who have made outstanding contributions to science, literature, and peace. Machado has worked peacefully to make her country fairer and to protect people's rights. The award recognises her bravery in speaking out for fairness and freedom, and highlights the importance of non-violent action in creating change.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Ask somebody older than you at home about their knowledge of Nobel Prizes. Can they recall any winners from the past?
- Should children be able to win prizes like the Nobel Prize if they make a big difference? Discuss your response with someone at home.
- If you could invent a new Nobel Prize, what would it be for?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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Mutual Respect and Tolerance

The Nobel Prizes celebrate people who make positive change. María Corina Machado reminds us that showing respect and understanding towards others can help make our world a brighter and more united place.

Protected Characteristics



Men and women everywhere can achieve wonderful things. The Nobel Prizes remind us that anyone can make a difference, regardless of their sex.



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UN Rights of the Child



Education helps children discover more about their talents, interests and the wider world. Learning from people who use their skills to make a difference, like Nobel Prize winners, can inspire children too. Adults should support children to keep learning, imagining, and striving to make things better.



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Community news



Knowsley, Halton and St Helens Primary

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Flu: five reasons to vaccinate your child

1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare.



For more information visit
www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Friday 21st November 2025

Knowsley, Halton and St Helens Schools
0151 351 8805 mcn-tr.schoolimmunisations@nhs.net

☀ Flu Vaccination Reminder! ☀



Protect children from flu

The nasal spray flu vaccine is painless and available to all children from nursery up to year 11.
(a porcine gelatine free flu vaccine injection is also available)

Families will receive a link from their child's school requesting an e-consent form is completed.

If you need any support, contact your local immunisation team:
Haltwhistle, Knowsley and St Helens: 0151 351 8805
Liverpool: 0151 295 3833
Sefton: 0151 247 6130

Make sure your email and mobile numbers are up to date with school.



Keep your child fit and healthy this flu season with the flu vaccination- it's one of the best ways to keep them healthy, reduce missed school days, protect their classmates and the whole family.

Flu can spread quickly, but vaccination helps build a strong shield of protection around our children, their classmates, teachers, and loved ones.

The school immunisation team will be visiting school on Friday 21st November 2020 and vaccines are available for all school-aged children and 2- 3-year-olds. The nasal spray is quick and painless, with an injectable option if preferred.

How to give consent:

Complete the flu consent form online: <https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/>

Or scan the QR code below to give your consent easily:



If you need help completing the form or require interpreter support, please contact the school immunisation team — they're happy to help you.

📞 Call the School Immunisation team on 0151 351 8805.

Let's work together to keep our children healthy and safe! 💙

SEND support

A poster with an orange background and white clouds. The title 'SLEEP ADVICE DROP-INS' is in large white letters. Below it, questions about child sleep are listed. Then, a line says 'DROP IN AND GAIN SOME PRACTICAL SUPPORT AND ADVICE FROM ONE OF OUR TRAINED PRACTITIONERS.' followed by a list of locations and times. At the bottom, there is contact information and logos for Family Hub and St Helens Borough Council.

SLEEP ADVICE DROP-INS

**Is your child aged 12 months and onwards?
Are they having difficulty getting enough
sleep, waking in the night or having bad
dreams?**

**DROP IN AND GAIN SOME PRACTICAL SUPPORT AND
ADVICE FROM ONE OF OUR TRAINED PRACTITIONERS.**

Newton Family Hub
Monday 10.00am - 12.00pm

Sutton Family Hub
Tuesday 9.30am - 11.30am

Moss Bank Children's Centre
Wednesday 9.30am - 11.30am

Lowe House Clinic
Thursday 9.30am - 11.30am

Parr Children's Centre
Friday 9.30am - 11.30am

BSL INTERPRETERS ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST.
TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US PLEASE CONTACT:
EMAIL: CHILDRENSCENTRES@STHELENS.GOV.UK
TELEPHONE: 01744 673445 / 01744 671788
TEXT: 07761045427

 **Family Hub**

ST HELENS
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In Partnership with Torus Foundation

Support Work in Schools and Colleges Level 2

This qualification enables learners to develop the knowledge and understanding required to work in a school or college environment. It can be applied to various roles, including administrative, support, and volunteer positions, as well as many other roles that involve working directly with children and young people in educational settings.

This course is FREE to complete if you meet eligibility criteria for funding



What you will learn:

- Understanding of children and young people's development from birth to 19 years of age.
- Knowledge of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.
- Understanding how to identify and manage risks to children and young people's health, safety, and security.
- Awareness of policies and practices that promote equality, diversity, and inclusion when working with children and young people.
- Learn about the legislative and policy framework for health and safety in a learning environment.
- Understand current policies and procedures for confidentiality and sharing information.
- Gain knowledge of child protection procedures.
- Learn how schools and colleges operate as organisations.
- Develop skills to communicate effectively and maintain professional relationships with children, young people, and adults.



What you will get?

Accredited Certification

Support Work in Schools and Colleges
NCFE CACHE Award Level 2



Induction & Start Date:

Thursday 6th November
9.30am - 2.30pm

6 Sessions Every Thursday

Support Session available from 2.30pm-4pm

Location:

Newton-Le-Willows Family And Community
Association, Park Road South,
Newton-le-Willows, WA12 8EX

To book onto this course or if you have any questions please contact Torus or the 3D Team:

Torus Foundation: 07973612742

3D Training: 0151 294 4749 | info@3dtraining.uk.com

This programme has been funded by the Adult Skills Fund

Support

Healthy Families: Growing Up



Join our parent group

Healthy, thriving children and families



HENRY's free **Healthy Families: Growing Up** programme is for parents and carers of primary-school age children – it will help you develop a healthier, happier lifestyle that the whole family can enjoy.

The programme covers these 5 themes across 8 sessions and provides everything you need to help your children flourish.

- Feeling more confident as a parent
- Physical activity for the whole family
- What children and the whole family eats
- Family lifestyle habits
- Enjoying life as a family

Get in touch to sign up now!

Programme details

Monday 3rd November - Monday 22nd December
10am - 12 pm.
Sutton Family Hub, 26 Ellamsbridge Rd, Saint Helens WA9 3PY.

Contact Us

Phone: 01744 371111
Email: chcp.sthelens@nhs.net
Website: www.sthelenswellbeing.org.uk

"This was the best thing I could possibly have done to help me be a better mum"



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Safeguarding

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- ***The school car park, is for staff only. Parents are not allowed to park or turn around in it.***
 - ***If your child(ren) are late, they must be signed in by an adult and not left to come into school by themselves.***
 - ***If someone different is collecting your child from school, you must contact the office so that the staff are aware when dismissing the children.***
 - ***Please do not park over resident's drive ways on Lyme Street as they need access at all times.***
 - ***Can we also ask that vapes are not used on playground - we are a no smoking site.***
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Online Safety

We will be continuing to talk to the children in school about staying safe online, please do the same at home.



Healthy snacks



*In **KS2** the children can bring a healthy snack to eat at break times. This includes: breakfast bars, brioche, fruit (fresh and dried), vegetable sticks, yogurts, cheese strings, bread sticks. We will offer any children who bring snacks such as chocolate and crisps an alternative of a piece of fruit.*

*Children in **EYFS and KS1** will still be able to have milk (if you choose to pay for this) and fruit each day.*

PE Reminders



*The children can come to school on their PE days in their PE kit: white t-shirt, red shorts, trainers.
They can also wear their school jumper or cardigan when needed.*

PE days

YN: Tuesday and Thursday

YR: Monday and Wednesday

Y1: Tuesday and Friday

Y2: Wednesday and Friday

*Y3: **Wednesday** and Thursday*

Y4: Monday and Friday

Y5: Tuesday and Wednesday

Y6: Monday and Tuesday

School admissions - applications for September 2026



The closing date for secondary applications is Friday 31st October.

The closing date for nursery applications (via school) is Thursday 15th January.

Dates for the diary



Monday 3rd November: School opens for Autumn Term 2

Monday 10th November: Individual photographs

Friday 14th November: Children in Need - the children can dress up in spots!

Wednesday 19th/ Thursday 20th November: Silent disco (see further information)

Friday 21st November: Own Clothes Day - chocolate donations for the Christmas Fair please

Wednesday 26th November: Phonics workshop for Year 1 parents at 2.30 pm

Friday 28th November: Y4 visit to The World Museum, Liverpool (separate letters have been sent out)

Friday 5th December: Own Clothes Day - donations of bottles for the Christmas Fair please

December dates - see below

Friday 19th December: School closes for Autumn Term 2

Tuesday 6th January: School opens for Spring Term 1

<u>Upcoming dates</u>	
Friday 21st November	Own Clothes Day – donation of chocolates for the Christmas Bingo

Thursday 27th November	Christmas Bingo

Thursday 4th December	Y2 at the Christmas Journey experience 9.30-10.30am Robin Hood Pantomime for the whole school – £5.00 per child, please pay on School Money

Friday 5th December	Own Clothes Day – donation of bottles for the Christmas Fair Choir performance at St. Peter's Church at 1pm

Saturday 6th December	Christmas Fayre – 11 am – 2pm

Monday 8th December	YN and YR Nativity performance for YN families– 9.30 am £2.50 per ticket, please pay on School Money



Tuesday 9th December

YN and YR Nativity performance for YR families– 9.30 am

£2.50 per ticket, please pay on School Money

Wednesday 10th December

Y1 and Y2 Christmas performance for Y1 families– 9.30 am

£2.50 per ticket, please pay on School Money

Thursday 11th December

Y1 and Y2 Christmas performance for Y2 families– 9.30 am

£2.50 per ticket, please pay on School Money

Christmas Dinner Day (staff and children)

Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 12th December

Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Carol Service for Y3 and Y4 families– 2.15 pm

£2.50 per ticket, please pay on School Money

Monday 15th December

Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Carol Service for Y5 and Y6 families– 2.15 pm

£2.50 per ticket, please pay on School Money



Jayne's Journey



Thank you to everyone for your support with today's Purple Day - we have raised an amazing £770!

Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th November - Silent Disco (see below for more information)

Friday 31st October - Our staff team are walking 15 miles around the local area and would love for you to wave us off and show your support on our route. We are leaving from school at 9 am. Due to the paper work in place, only registered people can take part on the day.



Our wonderful choir performed to the whole school this afternoon, including a song specially written for Mrs. Houghton by Miss. Evans and Miss. Mee.



Silent Disco



We will be running four silent disco events as part of our fundraising for Jayne's Journey. The dates and times are as follows:

Wednesday 19th November

YN and YR - 2pm to 3pm

Y3 and Y4 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm

Thursday 20th November

Y1 and Y2 - 2pm to 3pm

Y5 and Y6 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm

Tickets will be on sale after half term - £5 per child

Harvest



*Our Year 6 Student Councillors took our harvest donations to Earlestown Food Bank on Tuesday .
The staff were very grateful.*



Remembrance Day



Our Year 6 Prefects will be selling some items for Remembrance day from Monday 3rd November - see the attached price. Poppies will be a minimum donation of 50p.

Price list	
Slap Rulers	\$1
Rubber wrist band	\$1
Reflectors	50p
cloth wrist band	50p
zip pulls	10p



Social media



Please follow us on Social media!

Facebook: Lyme Community Primary - new

Instagram: [lyme.communityprimaryschool](https://www.instagram.com/lyme.communityprimaryschool) (This is a new page and will be updated very soon!)

And finally...



Thank you for your support this half term.

Have a lovely break.

Mrs. Roberts
