

The Keys Newsletter

25th September 2026

Dear Parent / Carer,

We have a busy and exciting few weeks ahead at school.

This Thursday, all pupils will have their individual and sibling school photographs taken. Please ensure that your child arrives in full school uniform, looking smart and ready for their photograph.

Our Year 5 and Year 6 boys' football team travelled to Ruskin Drive yesterday and did us proud, losing just one of their six matches. Well done to the whole team on a fantastic achievement.

This week, we have welcomed parents to our Year 1 Transition Meeting and EYFS Workshop. We hope these opportunities to come together have been informative and beneficial in supporting your child's journey through school.

The following week, we will be celebrating our annual Harvest Festival, and we look forward to sharing this special occasion with our school community.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Paul Robinson
Headteacher

"Failure is an opportunity to grow"

GROWTH MINDSET

- "I can learn to do anything I want"
- "Challenges help me to grow"
- "My effort and attitude determine my abilities"
- "Feedback is constructive"
- "I am inspired by the success of others"
- "I like to try"

A graphic featuring the word "COURAGE" in large, bold, yellow capital letters on a dark blue background. Above the word are ten icons: a lightbulb, a pencil, a ribbon medal, a mountain peak, a V-sign, a group of people, a hot air balloon, and a flag. Below the word are seven icons: a person climbing stairs, a cat, an open book, a globe, a question mark, a person with arms raised, and a person with a speech bubble.





Last academic year, our school community raised over £1,500 for books for our school library! Keeping fresh, exciting, and current books ready and available for anyone to read and enjoy free of charge is so important to us, and we are so grateful for all the support you have given us.

This year, we are looking to increase our library stock with books suitable for our youngest readers, to ensure that all of our pupils can use and enjoy such a special place.

Our next Scholastic Book Fair will be held from Friday 2nd October until Wednesday 7th October on the school playground.

Please bear in mind we are a cashless school and you can now pay for books whilst at the fair using the QR code on display.

Please remember to bring your mobile phones and credit/debit cards to the fair as the card details need to be entered.

Many thanks for your support.

HARVEST TIME

Next Wednesday, 7th October, the school is holding a harvest festival on Wednesday during the St. Peter's Church service. Children in Year 1 to Year 6 will be attending; however this is during a scheduled public service and not a specific school event.

Year 3 will be conducting a short Harvest performance and if parents of Year 3 would like to attend that is fine. The service will begin at 10am.

Traditionally, we have donated to St.John's Food Bank around Harvest Time. If your family would like to donate this year, please bring in a non-perishable item into school on Wednesday 7th October.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

EVENT	DATE
Tempest Photographs	Thursday 1 st October
Scholastic Book Fair	Friday 2 nd – Wednesday 7 th October
Harvest Bites – Catering Event – see School Grid	Monday 5 th October
Harvest Festival	Wednesday 7 th October
Year 6 Open Day at Byrchall High School	Thursday 8 th October
School Closes for Half Term	Friday 23 rd October
Return to School	Monday 2 nd November

Please note, all dates and times are subject to change.

Absence

When reporting on the absence line, can we politely request that you leave a brief description of your child’s illness rather than just saying they are unwell.

We are unable to accept notification of absence via email.

If your child has vomiting or diarrhoea, please note that they should not return to school for a period of 48 hours after the last incident. This is a local authority policy.

A message should be left each day of the absence unless following the 48 hours local authority policy. If a message is not left, we will need to contact you to confirm the reason for absence.

Our Vision Statement

‘The child grew and became strong in body, mind, and spirit’

Our St Peter’s family will endeavour to ensure the school community feel safe and supported creating an inclusive environment where everyone will be encouraged to share their beliefs, views, and knowledge to strengthen one another.

Bound by a shared passion for our Christian values, we strive to empower every individual to become the best they can be, nurturing a community of lifelong independent learners and responsible citizens prepared to thrive in a diverse world.



THE RAINBOW TEAM



The Rainbow Team

Safeguarding Nurture Wellbeing Behaviour

When the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between me and all living beings on Earth.

Genesis 9:16



Mrs Colley: RainbowTeam Lead

Mrs Colley:	Senior Mental Health Lead Behaviour Lead Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Vinyard:	SENCO
Mrs Harrison:	EYFS / KS1 Deputy Safeguarding Lead
Mrs Davidson:	Pastoral / Nurture

Our Early Help approach

**If you feel your child could benefit from some pastoral support,
do not hesitate to contact us.**

Our Senior Mental Health Lead ensures that all our pupils who require pastoral care for issues such as bereavement, friendship issues, home issues and anxiety, receive time each week with our pastoral staff who offer over 8 hours of individual and small group sessions.

If you feel that your child could benefit from this offer, please contact Mrs Colley.

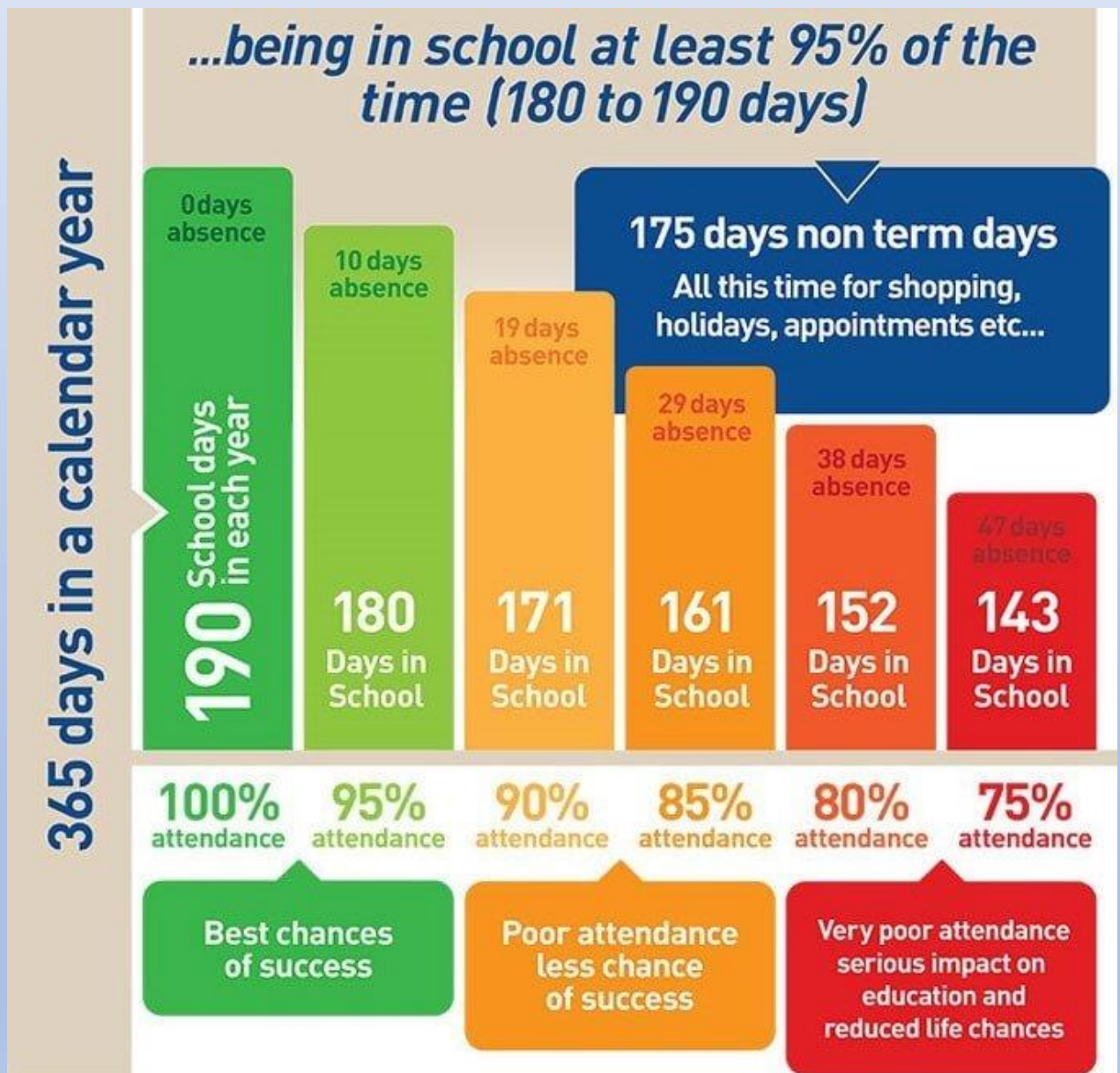
The team has regular meeting to discuss and measure the progress of pupils who fall into specific categories, including attendance, wellbeing issues, SEN, behavioural issues and safeguarding.



Attendance

Whole School Target: 98%

Current Whole School Attendance: 98.1%



Harvest Bites

After the hot and dry weather we experienced this summer, many farmers have worked incredibly hard to care for their crops and continue producing food for our communities.

Monday 5th October

Countryside Hot Pot

Happy Harvest Mac

Butternut Squash Mac and Cheese

Farmers Harvest Roast Veggies

Harvest Crusty Bread

Orchard crumble



ST HELENS
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Parents of Year 6 Students

COME AND SEE HOPE ACADEMY IN ACTION!

Daytime School Visits for Prospective Parents & Carers

Choosing the right secondary school is one of the most important decisions for your child.

We warmly invite you to visit Hope Academy during the school day to experience our learning community, meet our dedicated staff and see first-hand what makes Hope Academy a special place to learn and grow.

During Your Visit You Will:



Tour our excellent facilities



Visit classrooms and see lessons in action



Meet members of the Senior Leadership Team



Learn about our curriculum and enrichment opportunities



Discover our Christian values and caring ethos



Have the opportunity to ask questions



BOOK YOUR SCHOOL TOUR

[Tour of Hope Academy - for parents/carers of year 6 students](#)



St. Peter's Uniform Eco Shop

Our branded uniform shop has now reopened!

You can find a range of pre-loved items with the school badge on including cardigans, jumpers and PE hoodies (subject to availability)

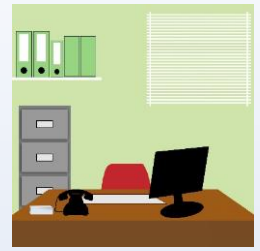
Explore our shop through the link below and have your uniform delivered to school.

www.pta-events.co.uk/stpeters-pta/

Please note we are not accepting uniform donations at this time



OFFICE NEWS



UNIFORM

Uniform can be ordered direct from Touchline UK Liverpool Rd, Warrington, WA5 1AE, 01925 413777

sales@touchline-embroidery.com

We also have a small number of items on the School Money site under SHOP which you can pay for then contact school to arrange for them to be sent home with your child.

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Applications for Holiday Leave must be submitted to school at **least 4 weeks** in advance. Forms can be found on the school website or requested from the school office. In accordance with Government and Local Authority policy, holidays taken during term time will only be authorised in **exceptional circumstances**.

CHANGES

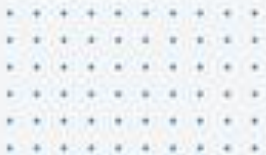
It is very important that if you change contact numbers, emails or addresses that you advise us as soon as possible. Any changes must be sent into school via email.

Thank you

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The PTA are
on



Social Media

Several light blue squares of varying sizes are scattered around the word 'Media'.

Facebook: St-Peters Pta

Instagram: stpeters_pta_nlw



Please send us a request to keep up
to date with news/events/reminders!