

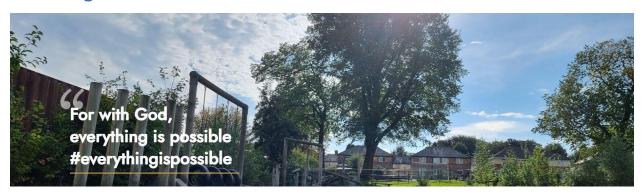
Queen's Park C.E./U.R.C. Primary School

Queen's Park Post Friday 13th September

Our value this half-term is - thankfulness. 'In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God' Thessalonians (5:18



A message from Mrs Kellett



We have had a wonderful first full week back in school. The children have settled back into the routine of school really well and I am very proud of them. Our new EYFS children are all in school and are thriving in their new classes. They have been so brave and super sensible. We can't wait to get to know them better.

Don't forget to send your child in full school uniform. If you need any spares, we have plenty at the front of school. Come and help yourself.

Local History Week



This week, the children have been learning all about St Helens and some of the famous historical people who were born here but have impacted on our lives today. Ask your child about their learning and I am sure they will be able to tell you some fantastic new facts about:

- George Stephenson and the Rainhill Trials Year One
- Samuel Taylor Year Two
- Lilly Parr Year Three
- Thomas Beecham Year Four
- David Gamble Year Five
- St Helens Pals Year Six

We want our children to be proud to be from St Helens and to aspire to do great things just like those studied.

Queen's Park Social Media Account



As you may know, we have had a very active 'X' account - formerly Twitter. We used this platform to celebrate the work we do at Queen's Park.

There have been some changes to the 'X' platform that don't align with our school's values and vision. Social Media is a fantastic way to share all the wonderful things that go on at Queen's Park so we are looking at using a different platform in future such as Instagram. More to follow on this but watch this space!

Healthy Snacks



In KS1, we provide the children with fruit as a mid-morning snack. Children in KS2 are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack for their mid-morning break. Please ensure the snack is nut free as we have children with nut allergies in school.

Celebrating Birthdays



Just a reminder that your child can come in their own clothes to celebrate their birthdays. Please do not send in sweets or cakes. We have children with allergies. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Reading Volunteers



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Do you have a spare hour? Helping a child to read is such a rewarding experience. We are always looking for volunteers to come in and listen to our children read. It can be any day for as long as you have spare.

We really would appreciate the support and you would be making a huge difference to our children and their reading journey. Please contact the office if you can help!

Parental Engagement Dates - Reading



Thank you to our Y6 parents who came to join in a guided reading session this week. We hope you found the session useful.

Year Five is next week - 9am

Wednesday 18th September - Year 5

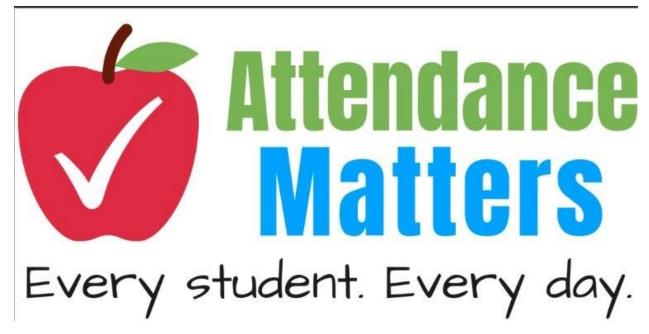
Wednesday 25th September - Year 4

Wednesday 2nd October - Year 3

Wednesday 9th October - Year 2

Wednesday 16th October - Year 1/EYFS

Attendance Matters



As you may be aware, the Government have changed the legislation around school attendance. I have copied some answers to FAQs to support you as we navigate the new legislation

What is PA?

PA stands for 'Persistently absent'. This is when your child's attendance is below 90%

What is risk of PA?

Risk of PA is when your child's attendance is at risk of dropping below 90%- we aim to offer early intervention support at this stage.

What is an EPN?

EPN stands for 'Education Penalty Notices' EPN's are issued for unauthorized absences, this includes term time holidays.

I'll just go on holiday and pay the fine?

EPN's have now been capped nationally at TWO fines within any 3 year period. After this, other action like a parenting order or prosecution has to be considered- this could mean a fine of up to £2500!

What is an unauthorised absence?

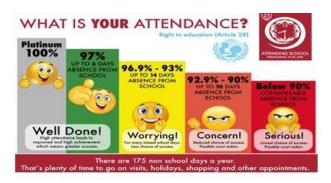
A child being kept off school unnecessarily or without good reason. Term time holidays is not a justified reason to take your child out of school.

What happens if I keep my child off, and don't contact school?

School will call home to try and obtain a reason for absence- if no reason is provided school may carry out a visit to your home- this is to check on the welfare of you and your child.

Whole School Attendance

PR	98.6%	QR	90.4%
Ρ1	96.1%	Q1	98.3%
P2	98.8%	Q2	95.5%
Р3	97.1%	Q3	97.8%
Р4	89.4%	Q4	92.7%
Р5	93.9%	Q5	94.4%
Р6	96.3%	Q6	96.7%



353 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 - **95.4%**

Our Attendance this year so far - 96.2%

Dojo Winners



PR Anderson O **QR** Scarlett-May A

P1 Eric L Q1 Theo T

P2 Matthew B Q2 Olivia-Mai G

P3 Alfie G Q3 Olivia C

P4 Jacob L Q4 Freya C

P5 Luke C **Q5** Lily-Rose P

P6 Kai S **Q6** Cali-Rae S

Star Badge Winners



PR Evelyn S **QR** Isaac G

P1 Stephen P Q1 Ivy W

P2 Eva Marie BV Q2 Zak R

P3 Savannah D Q3 Jessica AW

P4 Portia W Q4 Kiki A

P5 Samuel B **Q5** Jordan S

P6 Cathrine MO **Q6** Evelyn J

Important Dates for your diary this half term



EYFS Welcome Service at St Lukes Church - Friday 20th September - setting off from school at 9am

Autumn Parents' Evening - Wednesday 23rd October 3pm - 6pm

Y3 Class Assembly - Wednesday 9th October at 2:30pm - Y3 Parents invited

Safeguarding tip for the Week



1 - Parent's guide to Snap Chat

Some examples of the lovely adventures and achievements of our children over the Summer break.





2 - Finley got Man of the Match for his rugby game last weekend



3 - Faye loving her history work on Lily Parr!



4 - Faye earned level 7 swimming award



5 - Jenson played his debut today for his new rugby team and played amazing



6 - Well done Isla. She came 2nd place in a competition - even beating some grown-ups



7 - Ryan was very brave getting into a canoe with his dad and brother.



8 - Aster at Cowley's Open Evening



9 - Freya was made 'seconder' in Brownies this week.



10 - Harry won star moment in his rugby match at the weekend



11 - Megan enjoying a family trip to Llandudno



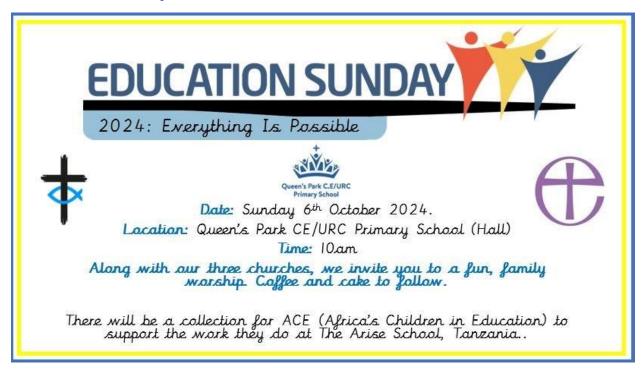
12 - Orry started swimming lessons this week.

Asda Cashpot Rewards



Thank you to everyone who has downloaded the Asda reward app. You have raised £237.88 for our school. There is 79 days left of the scheme. If you shop at Asda, please download the free Asda reward app so we can access the funding.

Education Sunday



You are all invited and very welcome to attend a worship session at school led by our children and our three churches.

Date: Sunday 6th October 2024.

Location: Queen's Park CE/URC Primary School (Hall)

Time: 10am

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.

We hope you have a restful weekend

