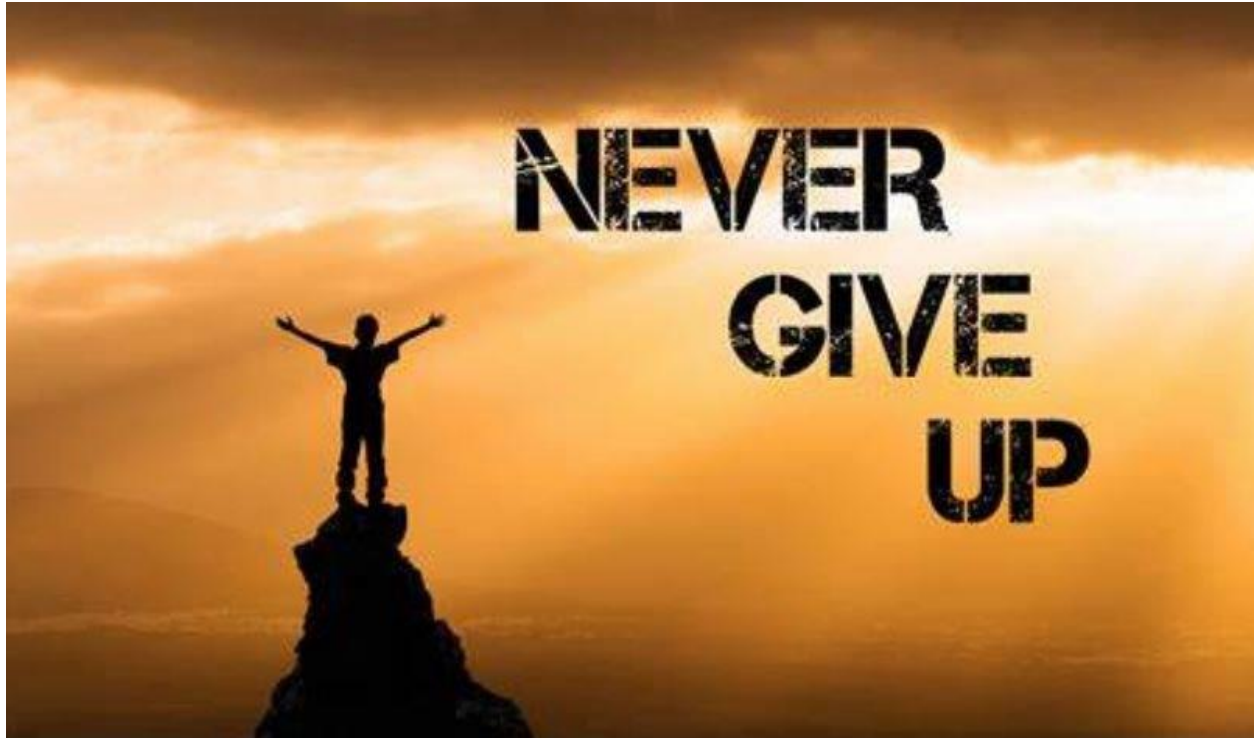




**Queen's Park C.E./U.R.C.  
Primary School**

Queen's Park Post Friday 22nd  
November 2024

Our value this half-term is - **perseverance**. 'Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith' Hebrews 12:15



### A message from Mrs Kellett



Winter has well and truly arrived this week! Big coats, hat, scarves and gloves are a necessity for school moving forward as it is so cold outside at the moment. Can you please make sure your child has their name in everything - including gloves and shoes? I had a very upset child on Tuesday who had lost their gloves and we couldn't locate them. We really do our best to locate any lost items but with nearly 400 children, it is a challenge.

The children are absolutely loving being on the field every day and it is getting particularly muddy. This is all part of our OPAL programme and dirty children = happy children! We do encourage the children to wash their hands but it has been an absolute pleasure to see the children playing so well together.

### **OPAL Stay and Play**

On Monday 16th December, weather permitting, we will be opening our field up after school for you to explore with your child. More details to follow but please put the date in your diary now. The session will run from 3pm - 4pm.

### **Important changes to attendance**

Please see below a poster explaining the changes will be adopting after Christmas and a letter sent to you via email explaining the changes in more detail.

**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: **£180 per adult per child, paid within 28 days. There will be no reduced rate offered**

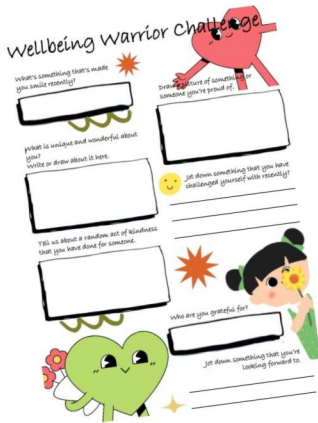
**3 Third Offence and any further offences in three years**  
The third time an offence is committed for term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case will be presented to the Magistrates Court. Magistrates fines can be up to **£2500 per parent, per child.**  
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

### **Christmas Dinner Orders**

*Christmas dinner will be served on Thursday 12th December! Children are also invited to wear a Christmas jumper on this day. For children in EYFS, Y1 & Y2, on Universal Free School Meals, we will automatically order you a lunch. Please let the office know asap if you wish to opt out, or if you require the vegetarian option / have any other special dietary requirement. For children in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 – if you are on Free School Meals, we will automatically order you a Christmas dinner. Please let the office know asap if you wish to opt out or if you require the vegetarian option / have any other special dietary requirement. For all other Y3-Y6 children, please order via School Grid by 30th November. Please note: there will be no alternative menu available on this day, so if you do not wish to have Christmas dinner, you must bring your own packed lunch.*

# Wellbeing Challenge



## Wellbeing Warrior Challenge!

We know how important it is to look after our wellbeing and making sure our minds, bodies and health are happy and strong. Our wellbeing ambassadors have been given the important job of delivering wellbeing sessions to each class to help our children to focus on their wellbeing, be more mindful and encourage gratitude and acts of kindness both in school and at home.

Would you like to be in the chance of winning a wellbeing hamper for you to relax with at home? Then complete our wellbeing warrior challenge sheet at home and bring it in **with your name and class** written on the back and give it to your class teacher. You can draw or write in each section.

Challenge deadline: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Winner will be announced on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Good luck! 🍀



OPAL



# 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...

 Buckets	 Spades	 Sieves
 Rakes	 Plastic Moulds	 Jugs
 Camping Chairs	 Umbrella	 Toy Diggers

**SANDPIT**

1 - Our next 'Bring it in Bingo' for our sandpit

## HOW CAN YOU OR YOUR BUSINESS HELP?

We are a local, St Helens Primary School who are asking local businesses to donate products or recycling materials for play.

We are specifically looking for...

- Pallets
- Old car/lorry/tractor tyres
- Tarphaulins
- Guttering
- Fabric
- Large Buckets
- Plastic crates (shopping/milk)
- Off cuts of wood
- Decking planks
- Cable drums
- Hoses
- Rope
- Fishing/cargo nets
- Traffic cones
- Wheely bins
- Steering Wheels
- Wheels (go kart/bike)



Queen's Park C.E./URC  
Primary School



We hope you can help!

2 - Can you help?

# PTFA News



From Queens Park PTFA:

## NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAYS

Children can come into school in their own clothes on the following dates in exchange for these donations:

- 15th Nov** Unopened/Unwanted Gifts or Toys 
- 22nd Nov** Bottle Donations 
- 29th Nov** A Hamper Item by colour ----> 
  - EYFS - Black
  - Yr 1 - Blue
  - Yr 2 - Green
  - Yr 3 - Red
  - Yr 4 - Silver/Grey
  - Yr 5 - Purple
  - Yr 6 - Yellow
- 6th Dec** Refreshments for Christmas Fair! (Wrapped Biscuits/Cakes) 

All Edible Donations need to have a date after the 13th Dec 2024, must be unopened and Nut-free.  
Thank you for your donations to help support our school!



In scrabble - 9 points  
In school - Priceless

### Who we are?

The PTFA (Parents, Teachers, Friends and Family) is part of a vital role in raising funds to enhance the education, mental health and well being of all at our school. Our fundraising has provided each child with a variety of items that have benefited each child over the years including, year 6 leavers hoodies and SATs breakfast for year 6 children on a yearly basis.

### PTFA Through the years

Over the years the PTFA have raised money through a variety of events including Easter fair and bingo, Summer and Christmas fayres.

Each event has raised enough funds that have helped to purchase rugs for Year 1 classrooms, puddle suits for EYFS children to engage in outdoor play in all weather's, water bottles for each child in class and Year 6 hoodies. Money raised allows children to benefit from an item that will enhance their education, support their mental health and wellbeing.

Every penny raised supports every child within school and we appreciate all your support. Without you we couldn't run these events and our extremely proud to be part of an amazing school.

### PTFA Members

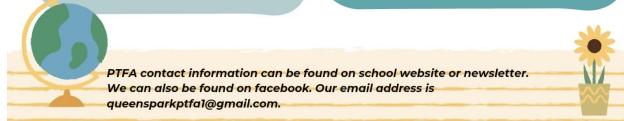
Meet the team:

CHAIRPERSON - GEORGIE TRAINER  
DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON - SANDRA SHAW  
SECRETARY - KAYLEIGH LEYDEN  
DEPUTY SECRETARY- DEBBIE RIGBY  
TREASURER - JAN CAMPBELL

The other members of our PTFA are teachers, friends and family members who all have children, grandchildren, staff members and volunteer readers and other school staff, that help to organise and run events that we are amazing proud to support to benefit all children at Queen's Park.

### Give a helping hand

We appreciate that everyone has busy lives, so we welcome any support to enable our amazing events to run. If you can spare any time no matter how small to help run a stall at events, spare an hour to enjoy a brew and meet the team or even support to make and sell items at home. Please get in touch with us.



We are getting organised for the Christmas Fair - dates are below

Own clothes day and items to be collected in preparation for our Christmas Fair

**Friday 29th November** - items for colour hampers:

EYFS - white and black

Year One - Blue

Year Two - Green

Year Three- Red

Year Four - Silver and Grey

Year Five - Purple

Year Six - Yellow

**PTFA Christmas Fair - Friday 13th December**



**Open Day Information. Please share with family and friends**



# QUEEN'S PARK C.E/U.R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENING 2024- 2025



- • Our Open Evening is on **Monday 25th**
- • **November 4pm - 6pm.**
- • Come and see our wonderful school
- • and make Queen's Park your first
- • choice.



**TO BOOK AN  
APPOINTMENT,  
PLEASE CALL THE  
SCHOOL OFFICE ON  
01744 678202**



## Asda Cashpot Rewards



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*Thank you to everyone who has downloaded the Asda reward app. You have raised **£774.74** for our school. There are **14 days left** of the scheme. If you shop at Asda, please download the free Asda reward app so we can access the funding.*

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## 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!*

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## **Parental Engagement Dates - Maths**



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*Thank you to Y1 parents who attended our Maths workshops this week. We hope you found them useful*

### ***Dates for Autumn 2***

*Wednesday 27th November - EYFS and Year Two*

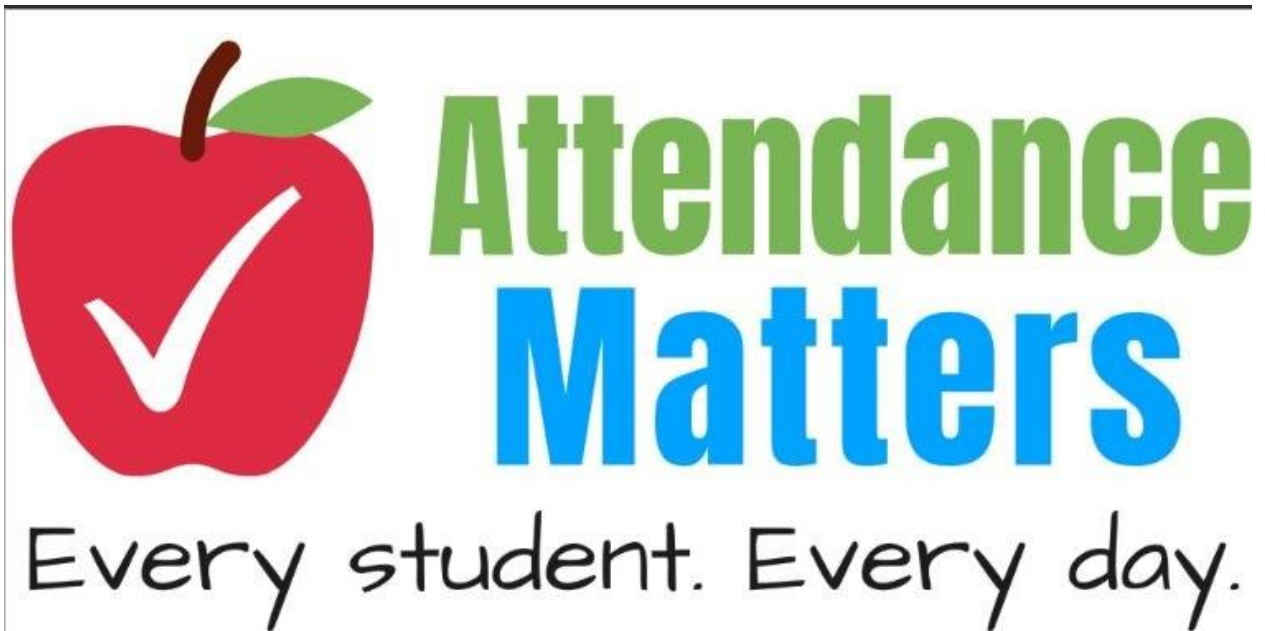
*Wednesday 4th December - Year Three*

*Wednesday 11th December - Year Four*

*These sessions start at 9am.*

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## Attendance Matters



*344 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 - 95.8%*

*Our Attendance this year so far - 94.7%*

## Individual Class Attendance

PR 90%	QR 96.6%
P1 99.6%	Q1 93.4%
P2 100%	Q2 99.5%
P3 94%	Q3 94.5%
P4 95.9%	Q4 95.5%
P5 97.4%	Q5 95.3%
P6 96.7%	Q6 94.2%

## Dojo Winners



<b>PR</b> Ava T	<b>QR</b> Lachlan A
<b>P1</b> Ethan E	<b>Q1</b> Mason B
<b>P2</b> Jaxon B	<b>Q2</b> Madison J
<b>P3</b> Harry C	<b>Q3</b> Ayham B
<b>P4</b> Alexandra D	<b>Q4</b> Renesmee Y

**P5** Henry R

**Q5** Jake J

**P6** Ellie M

**Q6** Amelia RT

## Star Badge Winners



**PR** Raina P

**QR** Isla B

**P1** Phoebe E

**Q1** Scarlett TC

**P2** Elliot R

**Q2** Eliza-Mae H

**P3** Awwal Y

**Q3** Olivia C

**P4** Crystal U

**Q4** Amber O

**P5** John Junior M

**Q5** Nyah F

**P6** Leo O

**Q6** Logan BW

## Important Dates for your diary this half term



**Monday 25th November 4pm - 6pm**

EYFS Open Evening for new or prospective parents

**Monday 2nd December**

Christmas Movie Night

**Wednesday 4th December**

Pop Shop Christmas Sing at the Town Hall



## Christmas Dates for your diary



### **Friday 6th December - 9am**

EYFS Nativity for Parents

### **Thursday 12th December**

Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day

### **Friday 13th December**

Y2 Nativity for Parents - 9am

PTFA Christmas Fair

### **Monday 16th December**

KS1/EYFS Christmas Party

### **Tuesday 17th December**

LKS2 Christmas Party

### **Wednesday 18th December**

BTales Christmas Performance

### **Thursday 19th December**

UPKS2 Christmas Party

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



3 - Well done to Joel on his first grading in Jujitsu



*4 - Jack has been exploring with his grandad this weekend and loved meeting the local Highland cows in the fields*



5 - Well done to Georgia who came 2nd in her tap dancing competition



6 - Scarlett and Georgia completed a dance competition last weekend. It was Scarlett's first competition and she did an amazing job!



7 - Ivy attended the Heart Hero Awards. Ivy and her family stayed at the safari hotel and could see zebra and giraffes from her window. They stayed in the Gruffalo Room. Ivy did a wonderful job presenting flowers on the stage. We are so proud of you Ivy.





*8 - Freya and Finlay completed the Park Run last weekend!*

We hope you have a restful weekend

