



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

Queen's Park Post Friday 28th March  
2025

**Our value this half-term is - Justice. 'What does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God' Micah 6:8**

## **Message from Mrs Kellett**

Hello everyone,

What a busy and exciting time we've had at Queen's Park Primary! There's so much to share with you all, and I'm thrilled to see our school community thriving in so many ways.

First off, I want to give a big shout-out to our fantastic children who took part in the New Age Kurling competition. We had the honour of hosting schools from across St Helens, and I couldn't be prouder of how our Key Stage 1 children represented us. They had a brilliant time and showed everyone what Queen's Park is all about. And guess what? We're not stopping there! We're set to host two more competitions for St Helen's schools in the coming weeks. It's wonderful to see our school at the heart of these exciting events.

Now, let's talk about our amazing Year 6 children. They're working their socks off preparing for their SATs in May, and I'm in awe of their dedication. The resilience and determination they're showing is truly inspiring. Keep it up, Year 6 – we're all rooting for you!

A massive thank you goes out to our incredible PTFA. They've been working tirelessly to organise our Easter Bingo night. Your kind donations have been pouring in, and it's heartwarming to see some new faces getting involved too. Events like these really bring our school community together, and we couldn't do it without you.

Oh, and I mustn't forget our Year 3 children! They had a fantastic time visiting the Book Stop in St Helens as their reward for winning our World Book Day competition. What a great way to celebrate their love of reading!

Now, a couple of quick notices for you all. As the weather starts to warm up (fingers crossed!), I wanted to let you know that after Easter, children are welcome to come to school in our summer uniform. It'll be lovely to see those summer colours brightening up our classrooms and playgrounds.

Lastly, a gentle reminder to all adults visiting our school. We have nearly 400 young, impressionable children here at Queen's Park, and they look up to all of us. So, let's make sure we're setting the best example we can by watching our language when we're on school grounds.

As always, I'm so proud of our Queen's Park family – the children, the staff, and all of you who support us.

## Miss Hughes 'Book Day'



*1 - As you know, Miss Hughes is leaving our school on Friday 25th April. To celebrate her time with us and the impact she has had on our school, we are holding a day of celebration. Please see the poster attached for more information.*

## BTALES - Easter performance

Queen's Park love it when BTales come to visit. This year's Easter Production 'The Gospel Truths' was yet another outstanding performance that enabled the children to watch the Easter story and the good news come to life. We have revisited lots of prior learning and we are now ready for our Salvation unit in RE next week.

## New School Video

We are so lucky at our school to have a very talented Chair of Governors. Mr Quinn came into school with his very impressive drone and captured some wonderful footage of our school. Please follow the link below to see the full video. Thank you to Mr Quinn for giving up even more time to our school. We are so very grateful.

<https://youtu.be/mLTprMVvgI8>

## OPAL Updates

Please see the poster included about a weekly OPAL stay and play after Easter. The children are loving the new additions to our field this week. Thank you to Mr Weatherby and Mrs Thelwell for working so hard to make lunchtimes so much fun for our children.



**WEEKLY STAY AND PLAY**

When: STARTING AFTER EASTER, Mondays, 3-4:15pm  
This is, of course, WEATHER DEPENDENT!

Where: On our school field



We are inviting you to come and explore and most importantly, play, our school field with your child(ren), every week on Mondays, after-school.

Why not come and play on our field instead of going to the park? Come and explore our amazing outdoor space and see what amazing possibilities there already for play! (And we haven't even finished developing yet!)

There will be staff there to supervise the site, and provide first aid (if needed) but **you will be responsible for your child(ren) during this time - a parent/carer must remain with the child(ren).**

Children who attend will be able to gain points towards their Children's University accreditation.

We hope to see lots of you every week!













## **HAF - Holiday Activity and Food Programme**

The Easter Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF) will be running from Monday 7th April 2024 to Saturday 19th April for all eligible children, young people and families.

The bookings for the activities will go live from Monday 24th March at 2pm

Please note that activity places are subject to availability.

Please see below the link to the HAF webpage with all of the information about the Easter programme.

### **Free swimming lessons**

There are free swimming lessons available over the Easter holiday at Queen's Park Baths. Eligible children will also receive a free breakfast. Call 671717 for further information.

## Staff Shout Out



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Miss Lockett is one of the longest-serving members of our staff, and her dedication to our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) children is truly inspiring. Miss Lockett loves nothing more than getting out in all weathers to play and learn alongside our youngest children. We are truly grateful for Miss Lockett's invaluable contributions to our school, and we celebrate her as a shining example of what is possible when we approach each day with joy, passion, and a heart for care and nurture for our children.

## Tesco Blue Token Scheme

Just a reminder that we have been successful in applying to be part of the Tesco Blue Token scheme. You can vote for our Opal programme in three stores

Tesco Express - Bowness Avenue

Tesco Express - Windle Island

Tesco Extra - on the Link Way.

Please let all your family and friends know to vote for QP.

## Parking

### Parking outside of school

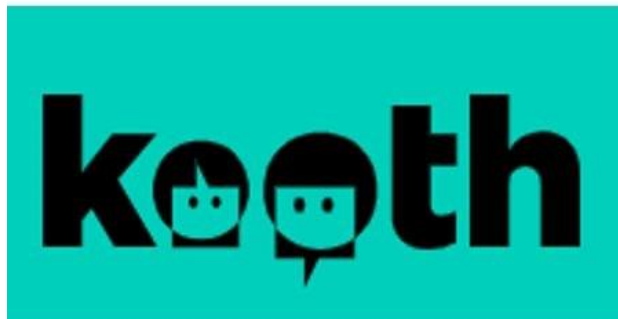
We want to take a moment to thank our incredible lollipop lady for her dedication to keeping our children safe every day. She does a fantastic job ensuring that everyone crosses the road safely, and we truly appreciate her hard work.

However, we must address a growing concern regarding parking outside the school. **Dangerous parking on Rivington Road is putting children at risk**, and we kindly ask for your support in keeping the area safe. The police have been made aware of the issue and will be increasing their presence to monitor the situation.

Additionally, we have been made aware that some taxi drivers have been speaking to our lollipop lady in an inappropriate manner. This is completely unacceptable and will not be tolerated. If you use a taxi service to bring your child to school, please **instruct the driver to use the school car park** rather than stopping outside the school gates.

Let's work together to ensure a safe and respectful environment for our children, staff, and crossing patrol. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Send in the Spotlight



Kooth is an online counselling and emotional well-being platform for children and young people, accessible through mobile, tablet and desktop. This service is anonymous and free at the point of use.

There is a wealth of useful self-help articles and resources on a range of topics, and the ability to be creative and share your experiences. You can join moderated forums to discuss with others who may be feeling the same in a safe supportive environment.

[www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)

## Dates for your Diary

### Sports Day Dates

As you know, we always hold our sports days in late June/early July. We are going to try something different this year in the hope that the weather is kinder to us. We have moved the events to May.

EYFS, year one and year two - Monday 19th May - from 1pm

Year three and year four -Wednesday 21st May - from 1pm

Year five and year six -Thursday 22nd May - from 1pm

Fingers crossed!

- **Y2 Experience Easter - Ormskirk Street URC - Tuesday 1st April**
- **Y1 Class Worship - Wednesday 2nd April - 9am**
- **School closes for Easter - Friday 4th April**
- **Easter School - Y6 only - Tuesday 8th April**
- **School reopens for Summer term - Tuesday 22nd April**

## PTFA News

We are looking forward to seeing you in the hall tonight for our Easter Bingo. Eyes down at 3:30pm



## Attendance Matters



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Every student. Every day.



**ATTENDANCE MATTERS. ALL DAY, EVERY DAY**

Penalty Notice Fines for School are changing

These changes came into force from 19th August 2024

- 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.**
- 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
- 3rd 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

*346 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 - 96.3%*

*Our Attendance this year so far - 94.8%*

### **Individual Class Attendance**

PR 91.9%      QR 96.8%

P1 94.1%      Q1 97.2%

P2 95%	Q2 99.1%
P3 100%	Q3 92.9%
P4 93.8%	Q4 95.4%
P5 98.6%	Q5 98.3%
P6 97%	Q6 97.7%

## Dojo Winners



<b>PR</b> Leah W	<b>QR</b> Abdul A
<b>P1</b> Summer A	<b>Q1</b> Connor H
<b>P2</b> Samerah A	<b>Q2</b> Alfie M
<b>P3</b> Sultan A	<b>Q3</b> Jacob T
<b>P4</b> Alexandra D	<b>Q4</b> Jessica LW
<b>P5</b> Daniel P	<b>Q5</b> George F
<b>P6</b> Isla D	<b>Q6</b> Josh F

## Star Badge Winners



**PR** William S

**QR** Harry E

**P1** Ethan E

**Q1** Charlotte R

**P2** Lilith DG

**Q2** Olivia T

**P3** Mason A

**Q3** Harry W

**P4** Finlay MF

**Q4** Isabella D

**P5** Luke C

**Q5** Craig R

**P6** Emily G

**Q6** Daisy B



Some of the wonderful adventures and achievements of our children over the last week





3 - Charlie has passed his stage 7 swimming. Fantastic work Charlie



4 - Joseph received his Chief Scout Silver award tonight. The highest award a Cub can get. This is incredible. We are all so proud of you Joseph



5 - Evie with new yellow belt and certificate after passing her ju jitsu grading. Well done Evie



6 - Curtis was awarded with 'Opposition Player of the Match' at his game Sunday.



7 - Y4 boys receiving awards at Rugby last week



8 - Gloria and Oliver's trip to Apple Cast farm and Norton Priory Museum & Gardens.



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12 - Oliver was awarded with Parents Player of the Match in football on Saturday and Coaches Player of the Match in rugby on Sunday.



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*14 - Floss earned a silver medal at the Liverpool tumbling competition last Sunday, despite being the youngest in her category!*



15 - Joel earned his yellow belt in jujitsu



*16 - Isla with her trophy for 'Brazilian jiu-jitsu star of the week.'*

**Have a wonderful weekend**