



October 2

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.

The whole school attendance target is 96%.

YR: 95.7%

Y1: 98.3%

Y2: 99.7%

Y3: 99.4%

Y4: 92.4%

Y5: 91%

Y6: 93.3%

The overall whole school attendance is 95.4%.

Well done Y2 and Y3 with nearly 100% attendance! Also, well done to Y1 who have achieved at least 96% (our target).

School Matters!




*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.*

Attendance Policy Overview 2023-24

At Lynn Community Primary School, we aim to consistently work towards our goal of 100% attendance for all children. Every opportunity will be used to convey the importance of regular, punctual attendance to pupils, parents, and carers.

Our school is committed to providing the best possible quality of education to all learners. For a child to reach their full educational achievement a high level of school attendance is essential.



'Attendance is EVERYBODY'S responsibility'

It is the responsibility of all members of our school community to maintain and monitor good school attendance.

REPORT IT FIRST DAY

If your child is going to be absent from school, please report this ASAP via the school office.

Key Attendance Contact at Lynn Community Primary School:

School Office: 01744 678350

Jon Lammont - Pastoral Manager

Hayley Hewitt - Education Welfare and Engagement Officer

We attend school REGULARLY

We attend school PUNCTUALLY

We attend school READY to learn

Absence from school **may** be authorised if it is for the following reasons:

- Illness
- Unavoidable medical appointments
- Days of religious observance
- Exceptional family circumstances

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TARGET OF 95%

Attendance Ladder

Outstanding	98.0%	Outstanding	★
Very good	96.0%	Very good	★
Good	94.0%	Good	★
Satisfactory	92.0%	Satisfactory	★
Needs improvement	90.0%	Needs improvement	★
Below standard	85.0%	Below standard	★

Number of school days missed per year

What does my child's attendance mean?

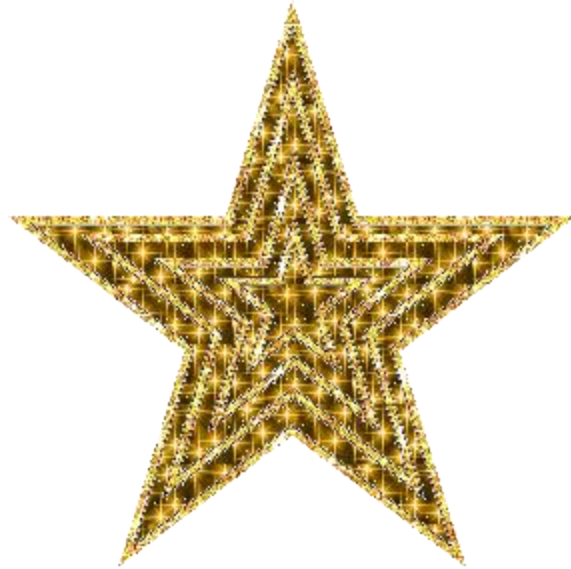
Absence from school **will not** be authorised for:

- Shopping
- Having to stay at home due to an unwell sibling or parent.
- Day trips
- Birthdays
- Holidays
- Rest days after a poor night sleep

- Gates close at 9am
- Class registers close at 9am – after this it is a late mark
- School registers close at 9.30 am – after this it is an unauthorised absence

Special Achievers This Week





*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: Reilly and Lily T

Y1: Ollie M and Ava-Mae

Y2: Vanessa and Alex

Y3: Winter-Rose and Phoebe

Y4: Walid and Rosie

Y5: Vincent and Phoebe

Y6: Sumaiya and Jacob

Headteacher's Awards

Inspire **C**hallenge **A**chieve **N**urture

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

***Inspire** - Lexi (Y4) for being inspired by reading!*

***Achieve** - Kaitlin (Y3) for showing great achievement in her story writing.*

***Nurture** - Khaira (Y1) for being kind to her friend.*

Updates from our Pupil Leadership groups



Miss Evans has met with her pupil leadership groups this past two weeks and the children have decided the actions they would like to work on this year:

Student Council

**Promoting manners all around school*

**Fundraising ideas including: Halloween Disco, Design a Pumpkin (linked to children's rights), Christmas Crafts, Cake sales, Movie Night with hot chocolate*

Rights Respecting Ambassadors:

**Right of the month - assemblies (with other pupil groups) and activities in class.*

**Parent workshops*

**Promoting at Christmas Fayres and Summer Fayres*

**Connections with other schools*

ECO

**Revamp the bug house*

**Add more plants around school*

**Start a Gardening Club*

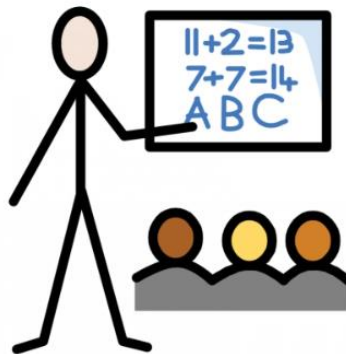
ONLINE SAFETY

**Focus on kindness on chat groups for older pupils and parents.*

**Think about how much time is spent online? Assemblies to encourage children to reduce time.*

**Lead Parent meetings*

A big well done to our Rights-Respecting Ambassadors who lead an assembly for the whole school this week on the article of the month: the right to education (28).



 UNCRRC Article 28

I have the right to an education

Picture News



*As a gold Rights-Respecting School, our children discuss different issues each week using Picture News.
This week's Picture News is all about the following question: How does change happen?*

TAKEHOME

In the news this week



How can we remember things that were important to us?

The tree at the centre of the world-famous Sycamore Gap on Hadrian's Wall, England, has reportedly been deliberately felled on the night of 28th September and was discovered by walkers the next morning. The National Trust said it was 'shocked and saddened' by the felling of the tree, which won English Tree of the Year in 2016.

Things to talk about at home –

- Is there a place in your local area that is very special to you? What is it that makes it special?
- How do you think the people living close to Sycamore Gap will be feeling? How do you believe the legacy of the tree could be remembered?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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British Values



British Values



Individual Liberty

We can choose whether to care for and protect the places and things that are special to ourselves or others. It is important to remember our actions have consequences.

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Protected Characteristics



Protected Characteristics



The things that we value can form part of our beliefs and shape how we choose to live. We should never be treated unfairly because of our beliefs.



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UN Rights of a Child



UN Rights of a Child



We have the right to give our opinions freely on issues that affect us and things that are important to us. Adults should listen and take us seriously.



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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: Friday

YR: Tuesday

Y1: Monday and Wednesday

Y2: Monday and Wednesday

Y3: Wednesday and Thursday

Y4: Wednesday and Friday

Y5: Tuesday and Thursday

Y6: Tuesday and Thursday

Music opportunities

MUSIC SERVICE ENSEMBLES AT ST HELENS TOWN HALL 2023-24 FREE!

TUESDAY... ROCK & POP BAND
4.30PM - 5.50PM

TUESDAY... VOCAL GROUP
4.30PM - 5.50PM

WEDNESDAY WIDER OPPORTUNITIES BAND
4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY INTERMEDIATE WIND BAND
4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY INTERMEDIATE STRINGS
4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY MUSIC THEORY CLUB
4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY YOUTH MIND ORCHESTRA
5.15PM - 6.30PM

WEDNESDAY SINFONIA
5.15PM - 6.30PM

WEDNESDAY MUSIC THEORY CLUB
5.15PM - 6.30PM

ST HELENS MUSIC SERVICE HUB
INSPIRING MUSICAL CREATIVITY
PLEASE LET US KNOW FROM 10.00 AM

01744 677946

music@sthelens.gov.uk
SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO JOIN AND REGISTER TODAY

Sports opportunities

We have some members of our Y6 class who have been invited to help coach some of the younger children in sports after school clubs. They have been really good role models so far: patient, supportive and nurturing.





GIRLS RUGBY IS COMING TO STORM!

Girls Y4, Y5 & Y6
Saturday mornings
10-11am
Newton Sports Club
Contact the inbox for more details



Congratulations!



Well done to our Y6 Dodgeball team who were excellent ambassadors for our school this week.



October half term activities

Autumn '23



Our **ComputerXplorers** Holiday Tech Clubs

ComputerXplorers leads the way in providing technology-based activities that are both inspirational and educational. Our unique brand of hands-on programmes are always full of fun and interaction. We encourage children to find out what's behind the technology, building in collaboration, creativity, critical thinking and confidence along the way!

A circular image showing a Minecraft pumpkin (jack-o'-lantern) in a field. The pumpkin is orange with a carved face and a green stem. The background shows a Minecraft landscape with trees and a sky with a moon.

AUTUMN TECH CLUB

ST HELENS

Rainford High School
Higher Ln,
Rainford, WA11 8NY

Wed 1st &
Thurs 2nd November
9am-3pm (half days available)
Morning sessions include Coding &
Game Design with a seasonal **MINECRAFT** afternoon challenge!

Scan the QR or follow the link for full information & bookings:

bolton.computerxplorers.co.uk



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FOR CHILDREN AGED 5-13

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30TH OCT-2ND NOV 2023

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ST PETER'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL, NEWTON



Book individual days or a week at a time, our flexible and convenient holiday childcare gives children the opportunity to try new activities, meet new friends and make lasting memories.

From themed arts and crafts and team games to sports and outdoor splash activities, there is something for all children to enjoy at our October Holiday Camps.

0300 303 3866 | WWW.SPORT4KIDS.BIZ

Sleep support



the
national
sleep
helpline

**Does your child
suffer with
sleep issues?**

Do you struggle
with your child's
bedtime?

Will your child
not sleep in
their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

03303 530 541
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am

The poster features a dark blue background with a white circular graphic containing '50%'. The text is in white and light blue. At the top left is the logo for 'the national sleep helpline'. The main headline is 'Around 50% of children will have a sleep issue at some point*'. Below this is a section titled 'WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?' followed by a paragraph about the partnership with Furniture Village. Another section titled 'HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?' is followed by a bulleted list of services. At the bottom, the phone number '03303 530 541' is displayed, along with operating hours and logos for 'the sleep charity' and 'Furniture Village'. A small copyright notice is at the very bottom.

the national sleep helpline

50%

Around 50% of children will have a sleep issue at some point*

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?
In partnership with Furniture Village, The Sleep Charity has launched a brand new National Sleep Helpline to ensure that everyone has access to high quality, evidence-based advice.

HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?

- Run by a team of specialist trained sleep advisors
- Offer you some practical strategies and recommend services that could help
- Ensuring you understand how sleep plays an important part in your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Listen without judgement and help you decide what next steps are right for you
- Empower you with sleep knowledge so you can understand why your child might not be sleeping well and how that can change

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Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am

POWERED BY the sleep charity

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH Furniture Village

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*Survey of 2,000 adults by OnePoll, Aug 2021

Jewellery

Please can you make sure that your child does not come to school wearing earrings (if they are newly pierced, they can be covered up), bracelets or necklaces. Thank you!

YR places - September 2024

*You must apply for a primary school place a year before your child can start school. Applications **open in September and close on 15 January**. Your child will be 3 or have just turned 4 when you apply. You'll need to apply then even if you want your child to start part-way through the year. Please see <https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-primary-school-place> for more information.*

Winning Team



The winning team this week are the Phoenix team again!



Before and after school



Please can ensure that your child does not play on the trim trail or with the Early Years equipment before or after school.

If you are collecting children from Y1 or Y2 classrooms, can we politely ask you to wait on the KS2 play ground if you are picking up older children so that the KS2 teachers can lead their classes out safely.

Parents collecting children from the KS2 playground, please can you stand back from the gates so that the staff can clearly see the children going to who is picking them up.

Finally, to make sure that we are safeguarding all our children, if someone new is picking up your child from school, please can you make the class teacher aware prior to home time - thank you.

Dates for the diary

Monday 16th-Friday 20th October - Scholastic Book Fair (in the hall).

Tuesday 17th October/Wednesday 18th October from 3.30-6.00 pm- Parents' Evenings

Appointments can now be made on School Spider.

WC Monday 23rd October - Harvest Festival

Thursday 26th October - Disco for KS1 and KS2

Friday 27th October - School closes for half term

Monday 6th November - School opens for the start of Autumn term 2



Book Fair

*From **Monday to Friday next week**, we will have the Scholastic Book Fair in school. Not only is this a great opportunity for your child to buy a new book, it also helps school as all sales equal money back for us to buy books for the classes. **It will run from 3.20-4.00 pm on Monday, Thursday and Friday and from 3.20-6.00 pm on Tuesday and Wednesday.***

Books can be paid for in cash or by card.

We have been sent some £5 vouchers to be used in payment at the Book Fair. During our Celebration Assembly on Monday, we will choose 5 lollisticks from across the school to reward those children who have been reading at home.

FREE BOOKS FOR YOUR SCHOOL WHEN YOU BUY AT THE BOOK FAIR!

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NEW DOG MAN
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NEW The Baddies
£7.99

NEW BLUCY BARKY BOATS
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LOOK!

LAST YEAR YOUR SUPPORT HELPED DONATE £5.3M IN FREE BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE

Ages 2+

NEW **SUPER TATO** **£7.99**

UN.CORNS DON'T LOVE SPARKLES **£6.99** **£2.99** **GREAT DEAL**

MARVEL AMAZING POWERS **£4.99**

NEW **WHEN COOKIE CRUMBLER** **£6.99**

Phonics **£9.99**

KOALA WHO COULD **£6.99** **£4.99** **GREAT DEAL**

WATCH SHARK **£6.99** *Watch your own shark!*

NEW **Tabby McTay** **£19.96**

The Ugly Five **£9.99** **4 for only £39.99**

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Ages 6+

FUTURE HEROES **£6.99**

NEW **DRAGON GIRLS** **£17.97** **£6.99** **3 for only £16.99**

DRAGON GIRLS **£6.99**

JACQUELINE WILSON THE MAGIC FARAWAY TREE **£7.99**

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- You can pay online at the Fair via card reader machines if your school has one or by using the online payment link at www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay and simply selecting your school from the drop down menu.
- Pre-paid gift vouchers are available in **£5, £10, £15, £20** and **£25**. Go to www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers to buy vouchers for your child before the Fair.
- If you can't attend the Fair in person, your child can order books via a Wish List - please ask your school for details.

*Free books are subject to terms and conditions. Please contact your Book Fair Organizer at Scholastic Book Fairs for details. All books subject to availability. Book range may vary. ⚠ Warning: Not suitable for children under 3. Small parts.

HELP EARN FREE BOOKS

Scholastic is one of the largest providers of free books to schools via our Reward scheme which helps to ensure that as many children as possible have access to books that support reading for pleasure. Every time you buy from the Book Fair, you help to make a difference by supporting literacy in your child's setting. Last year, with your help, we gave over **£5.3M** worth of free books to schools nationwide, which stocked school libraries and classrooms.



SEND support



If you would like to contact Miss. Burns, our SENDCo, please can use the following email address:

sencolymecp@sthelens.org.uk



St. Helens Parent Carer Forum

Dear SENCO

You will be aware that St Helens Parent Carer Forum - Listen 4 Change - has operated in St Helens for over 10 years, working in partnership with education, health, and social care services to ensure that parent carer voices are heard at the highest level and services are commissioned that meet the needs of our local children and young people with SEND.

Listen 4 Change is currently going through an adjustment period as we establish ourselves as an independent legal entity. Listen 4 Change is still active and passionate about representing the voices of our parent carers, albeit we are temporarily operating at reduced capacity. Our Steering Group, made up of 14 parent carer volunteers, are working hard to resolve some issues that we are currently experiencing and will provide a further update as soon as we are able to. Please bear with us.

Listen 4 Change can be contacted at listen4change@outlook.com and this email box is monitored regularly. Our public Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61550201595181>.

Parent Carers may wish to join our private Facebook group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/1815692118888096/?ref=share_group_link

We would be grateful if you could share this information with your parents.

Kind regards,

Leslee Basaga

Chair of Listen4Change

Parents' Evenings



We will be holding our Autumn term parents' meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday next week from 3.30pm until 6pm. This will give you the opportunity to chat to your child's class teacher about how they

have settled in this year and the progress they are making. If you haven't already done so, please make your appointment on School Spider. Teachers will allocate you a time otherwise.

Year 5's meetings will be postponed until after half term - a message will be sent out when a date is set.

We will put out all our spare uniform in the hall during this time, please come and help yourself.

Harvest Festival

*On **Tuesday 24th October**, we will having our Harvest Festival in school. Please can you donate any of the following:*

**tins*

**packets of dried food e.g. pasta, rice*

**toiletries*

You can send these in on Monday 23rd or Tuesday 24th October.

Representative from our Student Council/Rights-Respecting Ambassadors will be taking our collection to St. John the Baptist Food Bank in Earlestown.

Coats



Now that the weather is becoming a little bit more unpredictable, please can you make sure that your child has a coat on for school each day. Thank you.

Hallowe'en Disco



*Our Student Council are busily organising our Hallowe'en Disco. This will be held on **Thursday 26th October** at the following times:*

Y1, Y2, Y3: 4.45-5.45 pm

Y4, Y5, Y6: 6-7 pm

*Tickets will cost **£2** and will be available from Monday - please bring the money in cash into class (not to the Office).*

There will also be some prizes for the most creative fancy dress!

YN and YR will be having a party in class that date - Mrs. Mc Dermott and Miss. Mee will let you know the details on the Early Years newsletters.

And finally...

This week some of our children led an assembly on the right to an education. We know we provide our children with a challenging and fun curriculum and want to make this even better! All staff are busy planning lots of extra-curricular clubs for after the half term holidays - we will let you know in next week's newsletter what these exciting opportunities will be!

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Roberts

