



September 2 2024

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.

We need every child in every day!

YR - 98.2%

Y1 - 97%

Y2 - 94.3%

Y3 - 95.9%

Y4 - 99.4%

Y5 - 96.9%

Y6 - 89.3%

The whole school attendance target is 96%. Well done to YR, Y1, Y4 and Y5 who beat our attendance target this week!

The overall whole school attendance is 95.6%.

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



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.

UK Health Security Agency **NHS**

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Level 1

Diarrhoea	at least 5 days from the onset of the illness with at least 3 diarrhoeal stools per day
Diarrhoea and vomiting	at least 5 days from the onset of the illness
COVID-19 (including COVID-19 IgG)	if you or your child have a high temperature and are well enough to attend school for continued guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19
Impetigo	if you or your child have a high temperature, are well enough to attend school, and have been treated with antibiotics
Measles	5 days after the start of symptoms
Scarlet fever	5 days after the start of symptoms
Shingles	if you or your child have a high temperature and are well enough to attend school
Skin rash	if you or your child have a high temperature and are well enough to attend school
Strep throat	24 hours after the start of taking antibiotics
Whooping cough	48 hours after the start of taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Headache	if you or your child have a high temperature and are well enough to attend school
Stomach ache	if you or your child have a high temperature and are well enough to attend school
Runny nose	if you or your child have a high temperature and are well enough to attend school
Sore throat	if you or your child have a high temperature and are well enough to attend school

SCAN ME

Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://www.nhs.uk>

This week's achievers



*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** - Roman and Robert*

***Y1** - Naylea and Theo B*

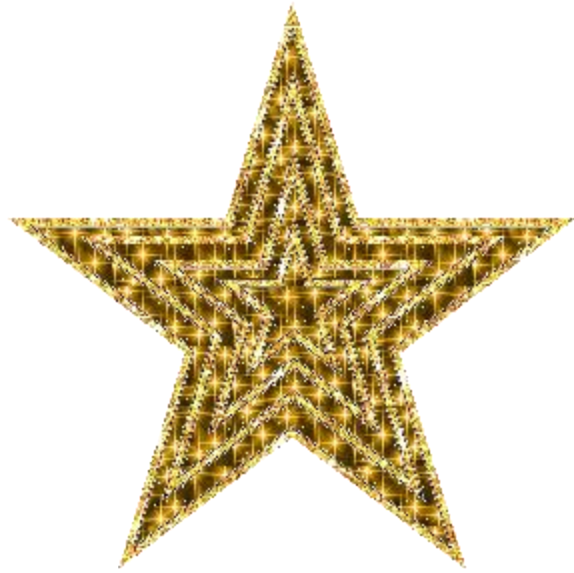
***Y2** - Roo and Aurora*

***Y3** - Monty and Ada*

***Y4** - Tommy-Joe and Reagan*

***Y5** - Rihanna and Alfie*

***Y6** - Henry and Phoebe*



Reading



Reading

Reading books will be sent home on a Friday and collected in the following Thursday. Those children who are learning phonics through the FFT Success for All program (Foundation Stage, KS1 and some children in KS2) will receive a copy of the book they are reading in school a weekly basis. Children in KS2 who are on book banded books will take a copy of the book home on a weekly basis. In addition to this, each child will have the opportunity to take home a library book – returning this when they are ready to change it.

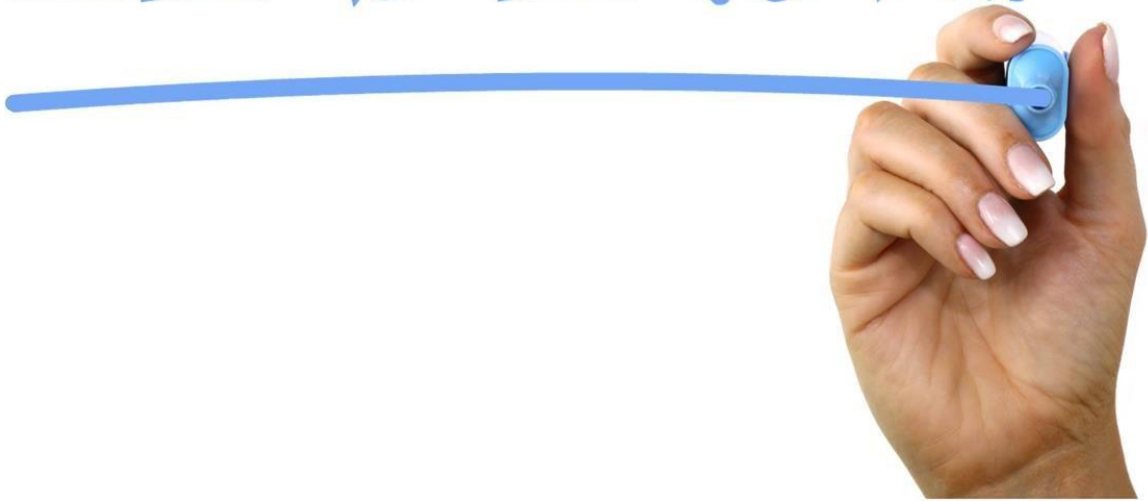
During Celebration Assembly on a Friday, those children who have returned their signed reading record are entered into their class draw to win a new book.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

We also have some 'free' books which have been donated which the children are welcome to take when they visit the library.



LEADERSHIP



Some of our pupil leadership groups have met already this week and have started to think of some things they would like to plan for this year.

Mrs. Reid has trained up our B's Buddies this week - they will be in the hall and on the playground at lunch times helping the younger children.

ARTICLE 12: You have the right to an opinion and for it to be listened to and taken seriously.

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child



and for it to be listened to and taken seriously.

Picture News



As a gold Rights-Respecting School, our children discuss different issues each week using Picture News. This week's Picture News was all about the following question: How can we respond to unexpected events?

TAKEHOME



How can we respond to unexpected events?

In the news this week

Space agency, Nasa, says two astronauts stuck on the International Space Station (ISS) won't return to Earth until next year. Sunita Williams and Barry 'Butch' Wilmore originally went on an eight-day mission but have currently been in space for three months. The Boeing Starliner spacecraft they were supposed to return on has a problem, so they need to wait for a different space capsule to bring them home in February. The astronauts will continue researching whilst they are there.

Things to talk about at home

- How do you think the astronauts felt upon hearing the news that they would be staying much longer in space than originally planned?
- Can you think of a time you were in an unexpected situation or a time when you needed to change your plans? How did you deal with it?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

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Individual Liberty

Unexpected events and situations happen in life that we cannot control. We can, however, choose how we respond to them and be responsible for our actions.

Protected Characteristics



Some people's religion or belief can help them navigate through an unexpected or difficult time.

We should never be treated unfairly because of our religion or belief.

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UN Rights of the Child



Parents or guardians are the main people responsible for bringing us up. They should always consider what is best for us and can help us if we are finding things difficult or facing something unexpected.



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Community news



Earlestown Athletic are currently looking for new players from school Year 3. Please contact Dave Tickle if you are interested.

Music opportunities

MUSIC SERVICE ENSEMBLES AT ST HELENS TOWN HALL 2024 - 25 FREE!

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

WEDNESDAY WIDES OPPORTUNITIES BAND
4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY INTERMEDIATE WIND BAND
4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY INTERMEDIATE STRINGS
4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY MUSIC THEORY CLUB
4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY YOUTH WIND ORCHESTRA
5.15PM - 6.30PM

WEDNESDAY SINFONIA
5.15PM - 6.30PM

WEDNESDAY MUSIC THEORY CLUB
5.15PM - 6.30PM

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music.service@sthelens.gov.uk
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Fundraising

you scan, we donate ££s TO SCHOOLS!

Asda Rewards Cashpot for Schools

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- 1** Download and sign up to the Asda Rewards app
Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign and select a specific primary school or select 'Schools in Need'.
- 2** Shop in store across Asda and Georqs, or online at Asda.com
Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to your chosen school each time you shop and scan.
- 3** Asda does the rest
The money raised will be donated through Parentsend to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot earn.

Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.
Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.


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Cashpot for Schools is our mission to support primary schools across the UK.

Every time you shop with Asda Rewards from 2nd September to 30th November, we will donate 0.5% of your total spend to a primary school of your choice. Plus, Asda will pop £1 into your school's Cashpot every time someone opts in.

Even more, Asda will get your school started with a further £50. To redeem this, make sure to shop & scan and remind your school to sign up with Parentkind.

For more info, please see our **Terms & Conditions**.

You won't give up any of your own earnings, and your Cashpot will continue to grow! 
Shop. Scan. We donate!

Safeguarding



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- *The school car park, is for staff only. Parents are not allowed to park or turn around in it.*
 - *Please return all yellow contact forms and photo permission forms, these are imperative to keeping your details up to date.*

- *If your child(ren) are late, they must be signed in by an adult and not left to come into school by themselves.*
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Rail Safety

Please share the links below with your child about rail safety.

NEW Primary school version: Suitable for KS1

NEW Primary school version: Suitable for KS2 <https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-primary-school-safety-talk>

Online Safety

We will be continuing to talk to the children in school about staying safe online, please do the same at home.



Healthy snacks



*In **KS2** the children can bring a healthy snack to eat at break times. This includes: breakfast bars, brioche, fruit (fresh and dried), vegetable sticks, yogurts, cheese strings, bread sticks. We will offer any children who bring snacks such as chocolate and crisps an alternative of a piece of fruit.*

*Children in **EYFS and KS1** will still be able to have milk (at a cost of £6) and fruit each day.*

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: Tuesday and Thursday

YR: Monday and Wednesday

Y1: Tuesday and Friday

Y2: Monday and Friday

Y3: Tuesday and Thursday

Y4: Wednesday and Thursday

Y5: Monday and Wednesday - Y5 will also be going swimming on Monday 16th until the end of this half term (letters have been sent home)

Y6: Monday and Tuesday

Lunch menu

Summer Menu 2024

Week 1

Monday
Pasta Bolognaise
Cheesy Potato Bake (v)
Spices & Breadcrumbs
Choice of Sandwich (Ham, Chicken (v), Tuna Mayo)
Raspberry Ripple Liqueur

Tuesday
Beef Burgers/Southern Style Chicken Super-Mixing (v)
Wedges & Sweetcorn
Filled Jacket Potato (Sweetcorn (v), Cheese (v), Baked Beans (v), Tuna Mayo)

Wednesday
Pork Sausage Dinner
Savory Mince (v)
Yorkshire Pudding, Baked Beans, Corn & Sweetie Gravy
Tortilla Wrap (Ham, Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo)
Chick'n Bites

Thursday
BBQ Chicken Pies
Cheese & Tomato Potato Bake (v)
Filling, Breadcrumbs & Cheese
Filled Jacket Potato (Cheese (v), Sweetcorn (v), Baked Beans (v), Tuna Mayo)
Fruit Salad

Friday
Breaded Fish Steaks
Coated Nuggies (v)
Chips & Beans
Choice of Sandwich (Ham, Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo)
Homemade Cakes

Week 2

Monday
Ham & Sweetcorn Homemade Pizza
Sausage Roll (v)
Pasta Baked & Carrots
Choice of Sandwich (Ham, Chicken (v), Tuna Mayo)
Fruit & Ice-cream

Tuesday
All day breakfast
All day breakfast (v)
Sausages, Hash Brown, Beans, Tomatoes
Filled Jacket Potato (v)
Baked Beans (v), Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo, Sweetcorn (v)
Summer Fruit Pudding

Wednesday
Chicken Dinner
Oven Dinner (v)
Mash, Gravy, Corn & Gravy
Tortilla Wrap (Ham, Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo)
Coke Muffin

Thursday
Chicken Pie (Eureka Pie)
Cheese & Onion Bake (v)
Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Vegetables
Filled Jacket Potato (Chicken in Gravy, Cheese (v), Sweetcorn (v))
Cheese Fond

Friday
Fish Fingers
Vegetable Fingers (v)
Chips & Beans
Choice of Sandwich (Ham, Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo)
Biscuits & Biscuits/Sauz

Week 3

Monday
Beef Hotpot
Tomato & Mozzarella Pizzas (v)
New Potatoes & Broccoli
Choice of Sandwich (Chicken (v), Ham, Tuna Mayo)
Ice-Cream with Summer Berry Sauce

Tuesday
Pasta Bolognaise
Two Cheese Pizzas (v)
Pasta, Peas & Sweetcorn
Beef Bolognaise/Sweetcorn (v), Cheese (v), Baked Beans (v)
Homemade Fagpack

Wednesday
Sausage Dinner
Sausage Dinner (v)
Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Vegetables, Gravy
Tortilla Wrap (Ham, Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo)
Baked Beans

Thursday
Chicken Curry & Rice
Cheese & Bean Potato Bake (v)
Seasoned Vegetables
Filled Jacket Potato (Chicken Curry (v), Sweetcorn (v), Tuna Mayo)
Coke Muffin

Friday
Fish Fingers/Salmon Bites
Battered Nuggies (v)
Chips & Beans
Choice of Sandwich (Ham, Cheese (v), Tuna Mayo)
Fruit & Jelly

In addition to the above, Milk & Biscuits, Sugar and Fruit will be available daily as regular options of choice for term. Choice of Milk, Water & Fruit Juice across the week.
 *Please refer to the menu for more information on allergen information. We are happy to accommodate any special requirements for the week of 26th September.
 Dietary Requirements: Allergen Dietary specific menus available by request following the Special Diet Application, Allergen and Cash information sheets available upon request and the school website.

Dates for the diary



WC Monday 16th September - start of the after school clubs

Friday 27th September - Bake Sale for Macmillan



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Join us in raising
money for a great cause
on the 27th September 2024



Calling all
bakers and fakers

In this competition, your baking prowess
isn't the be-all and end-all - anyone can win.

Take part in our Macmillan Coffee Morning baking competition by submitting one of your
bakes, for the chance to win one of three prizes... (subject to entries)

Best Baker

Award this to the best
home-baked or made



Best Faker

Award for the best
shop-bought or ready
made cake entry



Wooden Spoon

For the baker who is
didn't bother much and for



Cakes on
sale
at 3:15
pm in the
hall

PIC•COLLAGE

After school clubs



A letter has gone home today about this half term's after school clubs. Please book and pay on School Money.

Wednesday

- *YR/Y1/Y2 - Yoga and Mindfulness (3.20-4.20 pm)*

- Y4/Y5/Y6 - Gardening (3.20-4.15pm)
 - Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 - Football (3.20-4.15pm)
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Thursday

- YR/Y1/Y2 - Arts, Crafts and Forest School activities (3.20-4.20 pm)
 - KS2 - Brass Band (3.20-4.20 pm)
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Uniform

UNIFORM

School uniform is compulsory for full-time children in school. Nursery children do not need to wear uniform. All items of clothing should be clearly named. Uniform is as follows:

- Red sweatshirt, jumper, or cardigan
 - White polo shirt (T-shirt with collar)
 - Grey skirt/trousers
 - Summer dresses are red gingham and shorts can be worn.
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School sweatshirts and fleeces may be purchased at any time from the office. Prices on request. School reading book bags are also available to purchase at any time, P.E. kits are available to order at certain times throughout the year.

No jewellery may be worn in school.

The P.E. kit is:

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- *Plain white t-shirt.*
 - *Usual school sweatshirt*
 - *Plain red shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms.*
 - *Plain black pumps or trainers*
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Children may come to school in their PE kits on the days they have games or after school sports clubs.

Y5/ 6 - Hope Academy



Mrs. Adams from Hope Academy will also be delivering an assembly on Monday 23rd September and then invites any Y5 and 6 parents to come to a meeting with her at 3.20 pm on the same day.



The start of the school day

*We have taken on board parental feedback about our morning routine. The decision to open the gates at a later time is to ensure the safety of the children as we have had a number of incidents on the playground before school in previous years. We will open the school gates from **8.40 am** each morning when Mrs. Lammond, Miss. Evans and I will be then on the playground. **Please do not arrive before then. Children who walk to school should be reminded after road safety; we will continue to do this in school. We ask all parents and carers to ensure that they are mindful when driving down Lyme Street and that children are supervised at all times both before the gates are opened and when the children are on the playground.***

Children in YN and YR will then go into their classrooms. We will ring the bell at 8.50 am as normal for the children in KS1 and KS2 to line up and the staff from each class will walk the children inside.

Thank you for your support.

Height/Weight checks - YR and Y6

This will be taking place at Lyme on Friday 29th November. Please see the information below.



St. Helens Borough Council
Public Health
St. Helens, Merseyside
PO BOX 512

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Height and weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6

Every year in England, school children in Reception and Year 6 have their height and weight checked at school as part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP). Height and weight measurements are used to calculate how many children are in each weight category; overweight, healthy weight or underweight. The data is collected and used nationally and locally to support public health initiatives, and to inform the planning and delivery of services for children. Your child's class will take part in this year's programme.

The checks are carried out by trained health care providers. Children are measured fully clothed, except for their coats and shoes, in a private space away from other pupils.

Maintaining the well-being of children in the NCMP

The wellbeing of children and families is very important. Individual results are not shared with your child or their school. The weight and height information is shared with you in the parent or carer feedback letter. It is your choice if you share the information with your child. The data will also be uploaded on to the GPs records for your child. If you are concerned about your child's growth, weight, body image or eating patterns, please seek further support from a school nurse or General Practitioner.

The information we collect and what it is used for is listed below:

- your child's date of measurement, sex and date of birth are used to calculate your child's weight category
- your child's name, date of birth and NHS Number are used to link your child's measurements in Reception and Year 6.
- your child's ethnicity and address are used to help understand some of the reasons for the difference and changes in child weight across England
- your contact details will be used to send you your child's feedback.



How your child's data is collected and processed as part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)

Local authorities have a legal duty to collect the NCMP data. They do this by following guidance from the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities (formerly Public Health England). Local authorities are responsible for making decisions on how the data is collected and for making sure it is protected. Your local 0-19 team are contracted to deliver NCMP. The team collecting the data enter it into the NCMP IT system, which is provided by NHS Digital. The data may also be entered into a local child health information system.

How the data is used

The information collected from all schools in the area will be gathered together and held securely by St Helens Local Authority. We will store your child's information as part of their local child health record on the NHS's child health information database and share it with their GP.

No information will ever be published by NHS Digital or OHID that identifies your child.

If you are happy for your child to be measured, you do not need to do anything.

Withdrawing your child from the National Child Measurement Programme

If you do not want your child's height and weight to be checked, or your child has a medical condition that affects their height or weight please let us know using the contact details provided below.

Email: wchc.schoolscreeners@nhs.net
Telephone: 01744 411277

St Helens 0-19 Team – [Billinge](#) clinic, Rainford Road, WN5 7PF

Children will not take part on the day if they do not want to, our School Screening team will visit your child's school for a second visit if they have not participated.

Yours faithfully,

Ruth du Plessis
Director of Public Health

Hilary Brooks
Director of Children's Services

Flu immunisations

This will be taking place at Lyme on Thursday 21st November. Please complete the consent form using the QR code below. Paper copies are available from the School Office.

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child's annual flu immunisation is now due.

This immunisation is recommended to help protect your child against flu.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Immunising your child will also help to protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

Most children are offered a nasal spray immunisation which is a quick, simple and painless spray up the nose. Even if your child had the immunisation last year, the type of flu can vary each winter, so it is recommended to have it again this year or they won't be protected.

The nasal spray vaccine is the preferred vaccine. A leaflet explaining the vaccination programme is enclosed and includes details about the small number of children for whom the nasal vaccine is not appropriate.

The nasal spray vaccine contains a very small amount of gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine) as an essential ingredient to keep it stable and able to work. For those who may not accept medicines or immunisations that contain porcine gelatine, an alternative flu injection is available. Since the programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have had the immunisation.

Please complete your child's flu form by scanning the below QR code or visit our website:
<https://econsent.mersecare.nhs.uk/>



You can choose which type of flu immunisation you want your child to receive. If you decide you don't want your child to receive their flu immunisation, we kindly ask you to still complete their form, as this will help us plan and improve the service and avoid you receiving further calls and reminders from the service

Alternatively, if you are completing a paper consent form, please return it to school within three days of receiving it. The team will enter the information you provide onto the system and confidentially dispose of your form at the end of the flu campaign.

If after completing your child's form you visit a GP for their flu immunisation or wish to amend their form, you must contact the immunisation team directly and not your child's school.

Chair: Rosie Cooper

Chief Executive: Prof Joe Rafferty CBE

Please remember it's important to ensure your child has received two doses of MMR and their other routine immunisations. This will ensure they are fully protected against vaccine preventable diseases.

Please contact your local team if you require any help, support or have any queries who will be happy to help

Yours Sincerely

School Aged Immunisation Services

Additional Information for Childhood Immunisations

To get the best protection for your child, they need to have had two doses of MMR vaccine. For a checklist of the vaccines and the ages at which they should ideally be given visit:
www.nhs.uk/vaccinations



Liverpool Schools: 0151 295 3833 or email mcn-tr.vacandimms.team@nhs.net
Knowsley Schools: 0151 351 8805 or email mcn-tr.knowsleyimmunisationteam@nhs.net
Sefton Schools: 0151 247 6130 or email mcn-tr.seftonimmunisationteam@nhs.net
St Helens Schools: 01744 415 645 or email mcn-tr.immssth@nhs.net

PSHRE

Our Y1 pupils will be learning about the names of the body parts as part of their PSHRE learning next week. Please speak to the Y1 team if you have any questions. All the information can be found on our school website: [Lyme Community Primary: PSHRE](#)

Secret Students



Our children can achieve
great things when we set
high expectations for them.

Jeb Bush

We have shared with the children what our expectations are. All week we have been 'checking in' with our Secret Students and are pleased to say that they have all been awarded a special 'ICAN' badge in assembly. They will also be invited to hot chocolate and cake with myself and Miss. Evans next week. Well done to this week's FABULOUS students!

Perfect Presentation - Kai (Y5)

Amazing Attitude - Koby (Y6)

Marvellous Manners - Phillipa (Y3)

Brilliant Behaviour - Belle (Y2)

And finally...



Congratulations to Mrs. Reid who has led the staff team in being accredited as a PATHS model school. The children really value the work that we do in PATHS and it is something we are incredibly proud of. Once we have our official certification, we will share it with you.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Roberts
