



Love, learn and grow together

Opening For All

Preparations are being made to welcome back to school all of our children on Monday 8th March.

We are looking forward to having everyone together again but still need to be very careful to follow social distancing rules to keep each other safe.

We will continue to operate bubbles to reduce the numbers sent home to self-isolate, should we have any more positive cases.

All adults must wear face masks when dropping off and picking up, unless they are exempt. This includes secondary school children.

Please arrive at:

Juniors	8.50am - 8.55am
Sibling Groups	8.55am - 9.00am
Infants	9.00am - 9.05am

Please collect at:

Infants	3.15pm - 3.20pm
Sibling Groups	3.20pm - 3.25pm
Juniors	3.25pm - 3.30pm
Year 6	3.30pm from front door

Please don't arrive too early, to prevent crowding.

Please spread out along the railings rather than gathering around the school gates. Parents who arrive early should keep their children close to them.

Please follow the one way system.

Breakfast and After School Clubs are open from 8am and until 6pm. Please book and pay using SchoolMoney.

Forest School

We have an amazing new forest planted on the school field. Special lessons will take place outside in the coming months to encourage a love of nature and the great outdoors.

Many thanks to Wayne and his team from St Helens Council for the wonderful job they have done. Our School Council have asked for a wooden trim trail to be installed beside the forest. This has been ordered and will be installed during the Easter holidays.

School Uniform

From Monday 8th March uniform should be worn on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. PE kits with trainers should be worn on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please aim for full school uniform with black school shoes, but we do understand that children may have outgrown some clothes and school shoes, and we appreciate that non-essential shops have not yet reopened.

Summer uniform, including royal blue gingham dresses or grey tailored shorts, may be worn from March 8th, if warm enough! Please wear ribbons, bobbles and bows to match: blue, white, black or grey.

Testing of Staff

All staff are tested for Covid 19 twice a week to identify cases quickly and isolate those in close contact. To protect our staff, please do not send children in to school if they are feeling unwell.

Kabs Well-Being Bootcamps

Year 5 and 6 will have special bootcamps every Monday afternoon when they return to school.



The sessions are designed to increase well-being, fitness and positivity. They also develop communication skills and teamwork.

Cookery Lessons

Apple of my Eye will be back in school on Friday 12th March to teach Year 1 children all about healthy eating. Every child will be able to design and make a garden salad to bring home for tea.

World Book Day

This is next week on Thursday 4th March. Have you decided on the character for your story spoon yet?



Shrove Tuesday

On the day before Lent, Christians in the Middle Ages would go to church to be 'shriven' - to confess their sins and receive forgiveness. This is the origin of the name **Shrove Tuesday**, also known nowadays as **Pancake Day**.

In order to get ready for the traditional fasting during Lent, people needed to use up all the forbidden ingredients in the house, such as eggs and milk. It was a last chance for people to enjoy themselves before the solemn period of Lent.



In Britain and Ireland it is traditional to make pancakes, but in some other parts of the world it is a day of carnivals and parties.

Trip To London

The end of September 2021 is when we have provisionally booked the trip to London. We plan to travel by coach, staying for one night in a hotel that has small group rooms with ensuite bathrooms. We plan to visit the Tower of London, see the Crown Jewels and enjoy a musical show in the West End.

We will take a flight on the London Eye and visit the penguins, sharks and clownfish at the London Aquarium. We will see Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament and visit the London Icon shop for a spot of shopping before travelling home.

Any child currently in year 3, 4 or 5 (ie year 4, 5 or 6 in September) may sign up for a place by paying a £27 deposit using SchoolMoney. The full cost of the trip will be £227. This includes accommodation, travel, entry fees, show tickets and all meals, including a McDonalds on the way home! It also includes insurance so that all money is returned if coronavirus restrictions prevent travel taking place.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Tuesday 30th March is the day to bring in your Easter hat creations and parade around the hall. Chocolate eggs will be awarded for the most exciting designs.

We will also hold parties that last week to celebrate all the lockdown birthdays and join Father Kevan, online, for an Easter mass.

Ash Wednesday

On the first day of Lent, a special service takes place during which Catholics confess their sins and are **signed with ashes**. This means that the priest marks the sign of the cross on a person's forehead using ashes. This is a public way for a person to show they are sorry for their sins and intend to live a good Christian life in the future. The ashes are made by burning the small palm crosses used at the previous year's Palm Sunday service.



Snacks from 8th March

All Infants will be provided with snacks from 8th March. Juniors may bring their own from home.

Looking Smart

Year 4 received new desks this week. They are much easier to keep clean and have blue trays to keep personal equipment and snacks. Mrs Chip is very pleased with them!

Winmarleigh Hall

Year 6's trip to PGL is now looking highly likely. Parents who would like their child to attend should pay the next instalment of £50 before Easter using SchoolMoney. Please ring the school office to arrange to pay in any other way.

Book Bags Back After Easter

Infants will be able to bring book bags to school after the Easter holidays and take reading books home again.

Now is the time to find the bag or buy a new one from the office by paying £4 using SchoolMoney.

	Home Learning Star	Key Worker Star
Reception	Dominic	James
Year 1	Austin	Noah H
Year 2	Lois	Rose S
Year 3	Reuben	Olivia L
Year 4	Derek Jason	Harvey
Year 5	Finley & Sinead	Jenny
Year 6	Lucas	Grace