



Leigh Vale Weekly Newsletter



Week Ending: 1/4/22

Diary Dates 2022	
Friday 1st April	School closes for the Easter Holidays
Tuesday 19th April	Children return to school
Tuesday 26th April	Y6 PGL Parents Meeting 5pm
Monday 2nd May	Bank Holiday

This week in school

The Queen's Green Canopy

The Queen's Green Canopy is a unique tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022, with schools across the country being invited to '**Plant a Tree for the Jubilee**'. On Tuesday 22nd March 2022, we had a visit from the Deputy Lieutenant of Merseyside, David Steer QC, who shared a presentation with Y5/6 children about Her Majesty's reign. Then we had our tree planting ceremony to mark the start of our Platinum Jubilee celebrations. See the new plaque to commemorate as you arrive/leave the site on the Wagon Lane path.

Year 2 and Year 4 Easter Walk

Year 2 and Year 4 have attended a 'Walk through Easter' at St. Mark's Church. They experienced the Easter story delivered in a lively and fun way.

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to all our prize winners (52 of them). There were lots of smiling faces on Wednesday as children left school with hampers full of chocolate eggs. Thank you for all your donations and thank you to our FOLV who helped to make up the hampers.

Easter Competition

Well done to all our prize winners today. There were some amazing entries of decorated hats and eggs. We had a great time viewing all the entries. Thank you to everyone who took part and to our school council for organising and judging the event.

After School	Club	Time	Starts	Ends
Monday	Y5 Girls Dance for LVGT	3.15-4.15	25.4.22	16.5.22
Tuesday	Y3 Girls Dance for LVGT Choir -Y4 & Y5	3.15 - 4.15	26.4.22 26.4.22	17.5.22 10.5.22
Wednesday	Y1 Multi Skills	3.15 - 4.15	27.4.22	18.5.22
Thursday				
Friday				

Star Outside School

Dexter Y2RB

Dexter was the youngest competitor from HAMMA Gym to attend and came 2nd place in the Elite BJJ National tournament. This is one of the biggest junior competitions in the UK, and we are extremely proud of his accomplishments, Dexter trains 4/5 times a week and works so hard.

Chloe Y5K

Chloe has moved grading in karate from a red to a yellow belt. Well done!

We are always delighted to share the children's success outside of school. Please ensure that we receive the information by Wednesday so that we have time to include it on Friday's newsletter. Thank you. (Any information received after Wednesday will appear on the following week's newsletter)

For safeguarding reasons, if your child is unable to attend an afterschool club please can **parents** let school know by letter/phone call or in person To keep children safe, **verbal messages from children can't be accepted**. Thank you for your support

Feedback- We appreciate your feedback and would welcome any comments to help us make our school even better.

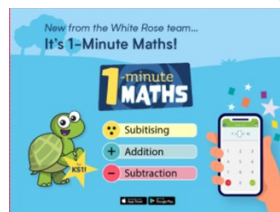
Should parents send their child to school if they think they have COVID-19?

The government, in their 'Living with Covid' guidance have from the 24th February 2022 removed the legal obligation to isolate. However, if a child has any of the main symptoms or a positive test result, **the public health advice remains unchanged**, and is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people. Anyone with any of the main COVID-19 symptoms should order a test and is advised to stay at home while waiting for the result. If children/adults test positive, they are advised to follow public health advice. Adults and children who test positive, will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days. If anyone needs support obtaining a test, please ring the school office for advice.

Holiday Dates

To support parents, holiday dates for 2022/2023 are now available on the school website.

New Free 1-Minute Maths App



Parents and Carers: Watch your child have fun while they continue learning maths basic number concepts learned in school - at home!

How does it work?

Each 1-minute task gives children engaging and targeted practice in basic number. The app covers a range of topics on arithmetic and subitising, and generates questions randomly so your child never sees the same ones in sequence – meaning they learn the concept and not a series of answers. Once a task completes, answers are presented on the screen giving your child instant feedback. It's so simple to use and, most of all, lots of FUN!

What's more, the app has no specific starting point, so a child can pick up and play at any time, with no set place to start. Accessible AND easy!

10 reasons for using 1-Minute Maths:

- Excellent number practice with no distractions.
- Enjoyable tasks children want to complete.
- Instils basic number concepts during early years.
- A clear process that children pick up immediately
- No login or internet access needed. Download and play!
- A motivator – children enjoy trying to beat their last score!
- Helpful hints give support when needed.
- Brilliant for building confidence and fluency.
- Random question generator instils concepts, not answers.
- Completely FREE to download!

It's available for use on [Apple](#), [Android](#) and [Kindle](#) devices. Find it on the App Store or Google Play.

Your Local Pantry

Come along to St.Mark's T.A.N.G.O. on Thursday morning 8.50-11am at St. Mark's Centre, Park Street.

Save Money.

- The Pantry is a membership scheme where for £4 a week you can do a shop worth between £10 and £20.
- It is open to the communities of Haydock and Blackbrook
- Go to yourlocalpantry.co.uk to find your nearest Pantry (you can only be a member of 1 pantry). You can sign up here before visiting to save some time but you don't have to.



Reduce Food Waste

- The Pantry can offer this deal as we take in food that would otherwise go to waste even though it is still good food.
- As a country we waste 9.5 million tonnes of food every year. By offering it like this we help save the world and help your pockets at the same time.



Build up the Community.

- Sign up to your local pantry to meet your local community
- The Pantry offers a space for a cuppa and a chat, to meet friends (old and new) and can signpost other groups and spaces in the community that might suit you



Take Care of the Whole You

We have also partnered with other organisations in order to offer you support in as many ways as possible. This may include budgeting/benefits help (citizens advice), cooking lessons (St Marks), uniform swaps (T.A.N.G.O.) prayer and spiritual chats (Light and life) and more.



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T.A.N.G.O Community Project, St. Mark's Church - St Helens Gateway

We sell furnishings, clothing and bric-a-brac items to people in the local community at affordable prices. Help is also given to people referred to us as part of the Welfare Assistance scheme run by St. Helens Council.

Contact Details for Parents/Carers

Please ensure that school has your latest contact details as we will use these details when school staff need to contact you about your child.

Thank you.

KS1 ATTENDANCE WINNERS

1st— Y1JL-96.8%
 2nd—Y2PM-95.6%
 3rd— Y2RB-93.8%



KS2 ATTENDANCE WINNERS

1st— Y4H-98%
 2nd — Y3C-97%
 3rd — Y6T-95%

