



Weekly Newsletter

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Welcome back to all our families after a rather soggy summer holiday! It has been wonderful to see so many eager faces return to school.

It has been fantastic to welcome our new Reception children to BIG school and we are very impressed at how well they are settling in.

A brilliant start to a new academic year!

Open Door

We have an **open door policy** where **each Friday** you are welcomed into school to look at your child's books, have an informal chat with the class teacher and share in your child's success. If you have any worries or concerns please always come and see us; we are here to help in any way we can.



Parking Around School

We are only 3 days into the new term but have received three complaints from local residents about parking issues. PLEASE be considerate to our neighbours and do not block driveways or park on corners making it difficult for buses or emergency vehicles to pass. The photo below was sent in from a resident on Stocks Lane who was unable to leave her house until the driver had returned.



Helen Margaret Owen Foundation

Last year Miss Griffith's volunteered at the Kirinya Children's Centre and Primary school in Uganda and took with her, second-hand uniform from Penketh Primary. As part of their newsletter they shared a beautiful picture of the children looking very smart in their new uniform. They had their own school logo printed on them.



We would like to continue to support this school and the Helen Margaret Owen Foundation. Please join our PFA to think of imaginative ways we could help.

ATTENDANCE



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99.1%	100%	100%	96.4%	95.2%	96.1%	88.8%



OUR LEARNING

In Reception... Wow! What a super three days we have had! Miss Horton and Mrs Williams have been so impressed with how quickly the Reception children have settled into their new environment and we hope that they have enjoyed their first week.

In Year 1... Year 1 have made a wonderful start to the new year! They are settling in well to their new classroom environment and new routines. They have begun their first book of the year; a non-fiction book all about penguins and have been writing facts about them. A fantastic start to what will be a brilliant year!

In Year 2... What a fabulous first week Year 2 have had, settling into their new classroom and making Miss Karalius proud! We have started our new book 'Three Little Pigs' and have enjoyed acting out the story with finger puppets!

In Year 3... Wow! Year 3 have made a brilliant start to life in Key Stage Two being scientists, artists, actors and mathematicians. Their favourite job was being an archeologist, solving clues to find Stone Age tools.



In Year 4... Year 4 have been busy already, learning about goodness overcoming evil in RE, looking at tricky spellings and error correction in English and answering key questions in Spanish! In Maths, they have been practising Place Value and making four-digit numbers with counters. We've had a lovely time!



In Year 5... This week, Year Five have settled in wonderfully! They have been predicting what our new book 'Queen of the Falls' is about and have been improving their sketching techniques.

In Year 6... We've had a great first week in Year 6! We have worked on our sketching skills by sketching in the style of Georgia O'Keefe and Leonardo D'Vinci. We have also decided our aim this year is to spread kindness just to help make our classroom an even happier place to be.



Penketh Primary PTA

We are looking for keen volunteers to join our school PTA to help to plan, organise and support events across the year to raise vital funds for our school.

If this is something you are interested in, please come along for a short meeting on Friday 15th September at 9:15am.

There will be tea, coffee and biscuits!



DIARY DATES



A paper copy of Autumn diary dates will be issued on Monday 11th September. Please check your child's bag.

All dates will be published on the school website and reminders will be given on weekly newsletters.



OTHER AWARDS



Congratulations to:

- **Jack**, who received Football Skills Training & Best Player Award trophies from 1st Kick Football.
- **Summer Reading challenge achievers; Anya and Edie.**
- **Anya**, who was presented with Pet Pals Summer Workshop & VIP Animal Meerkat Experience certificates.
- **Edie**, who was awarded Round-off End of Beam and Gymnast of the Month certificates from Warrington Gymnastics Club.
- **Sumie**, who received Level 4 certificate and medal from Penketh Gymnastics Club.
- **Luke**, who was awarded Gym Stars 7 from the Beth Tweddle Academy.



Our School Expectations



1. - Listen
2. - Do as asked
3. - Work well with others
4. - Be the best we can be