



Newsletter – Wednesday 13th July 2022

Thanks to everyone who responded to our annual 'three stars and a wish' survey. We are currently collating the responses and will email you the feedback later this week. As there is so much happening in school at this time of year, like last year, there will be an additional newsletter that will be sent out to you on Friday 22nd July, which will be the final day in school of 2021/2022.



Staffing updates – We welcome **Mr Hadjigeorgiou** (pictured left) to our school in September as one of our Reception teachers. He is covering Miss Beswick's maternity leave. Miss Beswick will still be in school in September, working in various classes during the Autumn Term. **Miss Ranger** (pictured right), who has been working Year 2 will be remaining with us in September as she was recently appointed to the temporary class teacher role in Key Stage 1. When **Mrs O'Brien** returns to school from her maternity leave, she will return as the Acting Deputy Headteacher. **Mrs Malley** was also



recently permanently appointed as our Assistant Headteacher. Your children will today come home with a letter informing you of the class they will be in for the next school year. Children will be spending the next two full days in their new classes. Please see below for the staffing list for our Lancaster Avenue Nursery and a complete teacher list for September 2022 for our school site:



Lancaster Avenue staffing for 2022/2023

Nursery Manager – Miss Cowley
Deputy Manager – Mrs Helme
Early Years Assistant – Miss Gaskell
Early Years Assistant – Mrs Skinner



Darlington Street staffing for 2022/2023

Nursery – Mrs Davies
R: EH – Mr Hadjigeorgiou
R: TK – Miss Killian
Y1NT – Miss Taylor
Y1/2TL – Mrs Leech
Y2BR – Miss Ranger
Y3LK – Mr Kenny
Y3/4CS – Mr Simmons
Y4CB – Miss Billington
Y5HJ – Mrs Jeffries
Y5/6NC – Mr Cooke
Y6AM – Mrs Malley

Cover across school – Miss Gray and Miss Beswick

Inclusion leader – Mrs Leech

Early Years leader and Nursery teacher – Mrs Davies

Assistant Headteacher – Mrs Malley

Acting Deputy Headteacher – Mrs O'Brien

Headteacher – Mr Grogan



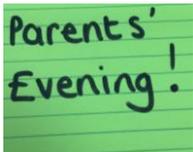
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Class and whole school attendance updates (up to and including Friday 8th July 2022):

Class	*%	Class	*%	Class	*%	Class	*%
YR:KB	94.14%	Y1NT	94.20%	Y3LK	93.67%	Y5HJ	91.58%
YR:TK	93.35%	Y1/2TL	94.69%	Y3/4CS	93.60%	Y5/6NC	95.36%
		Y2BR	93.42%	Y4CB	93.53%	Y6AM	93.82%
Whole school attendance: 93.75%							

Pictures from KS1 trip to The Beatles Museum



NEW Parents' Evenings – I hope you all enjoyed the new additional parents' evenings that recently took place. I think that your children leading the way, presenting their learning, in an age appropriate way, to both you and the class teacher (and to me in the case of Year 6) was a fantastic way of you hearing about their school work. I believe that being able to speak/present in front of an audience is vitally important for your children as it will develop their confidence and support them as they move onto the next stage of their education/life. We will hopefully start to see the full benefit of this over the next few years as these evenings are now a permanent 'fixture' in the St. George's Central calendar of events.

Tennis Taster Sessions – Thanks to Aran from 'Sphairistrike Tennis Coaching' for coming into school to lead tennis taster sessions with classes across school. The children really enjoyed them. Aran provides tennis sessions locally for both children and adults. Click the link for more information: <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/sphairistiketennis>



The Pop Project – Last week, we welcomed the 'The Pop Project' into school. These musicians always manage to bring a smile to the faces of the children and staff which is what they did when they recently visited our KS1 children as part of their topic on the 1960's.

Show your support for England Days – Many thanks for your support with these days so far. The next 'Show your support for England Day' will be on **Friday 15th July**. We will update you should there be any more of these before we break for Summer.



Wider Opportunity Music – Parents/carers of children in Year 4 were recently treated to a drumming performance from the children in Year 4CS and Year 4CB. Our school 'buys in' to the Wigan Music Service 'Wider Opportunity Music' scheme which means that each week, Mrs Lord, a specialist music teacher comes into our school to teach the children to play musical instruments. Our children learn to play a different percussion instrument each term. It was a great final performance of the year from the children.



Annual Reports feedback – Don't forget to complete and return the feedback sheet as part of your child's annual report. Any thoughts and feedback on the report as well as the year as a whole are appreciated. Please ensure that you return any completed forms to class teachers at school by **Friday 15th July**.

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Cycle Speedway Competition – Some Year 5 and Year 6 children recently took part in this event at Astley and Tyldesley Cycling Club competing against three other teams. Well done to the children who represented our school at this event.

ATSA/Tri-Kidz '10 Year' Event – Eight of our children recently took part in the week long ATSA/Tri-Kidz Challenge event against 15 other schools as part of the ATSA 10 Years Celebrations. On the Monday morning, our children had to run one lap of the school field, cycle 2000km on a static bike and then finish by running two laps of the school field without stopping (I am tired just typing this!). The children did a great job at this and qualified as one of the top 8 schools who returned on Thursday, where they faced Sacred Heart in a direct 'knock out' relay race, over the same distances in the same events. The children were again successful and so returned on Friday morning for the semi-finals and final. A 'live' draw took place with St. Philip's providing the opposition. Again our children were successful and qualified for the final which took place later that same morning against Holy Family. In a close final, our children narrowly missed out on winning. I am very proud of the efforts of the children and their determination throughout this whole event. The support from our other classes watching the event over the course of the week from the playground was also good to see.



*****ATSA 10 YEARS*****

ATSA recently celebrated its 10 Year Anniversary. Click the link to see a montage from the last decade where you will see many children from St. George's Central: <https://vimeo.com/723062431>



Zumba Taster Session – Some Year 1 and Year 2 children took part in a Zumba Taster Session alongside children from two other schools. The session was led by Anna Collins from Astley Zumba.

Y3/4 Rounders Competition – Our Y3/4 Rounders team recently took part in a competition against seven other schools. Well done to the children who represented our school at this event.



Residential Sports Weekend – Four KS2 children recently took part in an ATSA residential Sports Weekend at Low Bank Ground in the Lake District where they competed against children from seven other schools in kayaking, orienteering and running. After the times from all the events were added up, I am pleased to announce that: **Mabel Iwelu was the overall girls' winner** and our **whole running team were overall winners**. In the overall result, St. George's Central finished as **runners up**. Special mention to **Tayha from Year 5** who only discovered she was attending on Thursday.....and she ended up **finishing fourth (out of sixteen Year 6 girls)** in the overall girls' section. Well done to all our team members who were excellent ambassadors for our school.



Before the next newsletter, children from St. George's Central will be taking part in the following ATSA events:

- **Atherton and Tyldesley Football 'play-off' match**
- **KS1 Football Festival**
- **Tennis Taster Session**
- **Crown Green Bowling Competition**

As well as being on the school website, there are paper copies of all newsletters available in the letter holders in the entrance area in school and at our Lancaster Avenue Nursery. On Monday 18th July, we will email you the key dates letter for 2022/2023. The final newsletter of the year will be sent home on Friday 22nd July (our final school day of the year!). On the next page, please see the list of the remaining events taking place before we break up for Summer.

M. Grogan

Mr M Grogan – Headteacher

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Remaining School Events for 2022

Date	Event
Wednesday 13 th July	Darlington Street Nursery children to visit Lancaster Avenue Nursery
	Music 'Infant Song Share' at Robin Park (10:15am – 11:30am for Y2 children)
	KS2 Production: 'The X Factory' (1:45pm start)
	Newsletter emailed to parents/carers
	2022/23 class letters sent home today
Thursday 14 th July	Children to spend full day in September 2022 classes (Y1 – Y6)
	ATSA KS1 Football at Pennington FC for KS1 team (3:45pm start)
Friday 15 th July	Show your support for England Day (See 24/6/22 newsletter for more details)
	Children to spend full day in September 2022 classes (Y1 – Y6)
Monday 18 th July	Y6 FREE trip to Drayton Manor (leave school at 7:30am)
	Party Bus for Nursery children
	Key dates for 2022/23 emailed to parents/carers
Tuesday 19 th July	Class Attendance winners treat day
	ATSA Tennis Taster Session at Tyldesley Tennis Club for 4 KS2 children (4pm – 5pm)
	Y6 Leavers' disco: 5:00pm – 7:00pm (<i>including pizzas as a leavers' treat</i>)
Wednesday 20 th July	'Team treat' day
	Choir performance in school: <i>more details to follow regarding the attendance of parents/carers</i>
	ATSA Crown Green Bowling Competition at Tyldesley Bowling Club for Bowling team (3:45pm – 5:15pm)
Thursday 21 st July	Y6 Leavers' Service for Tyldesley Schools at St. George's Church: all Y6 children (10am) – parents and carers invited
Friday 22 nd July	Y6 Leavers' Worship in the school hall: parents/carers welcome
	Newsletter emailed to parents/carers
	Lancaster Avenue Nursery closes at 3:00pm
	School closes at 3:15pm

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