

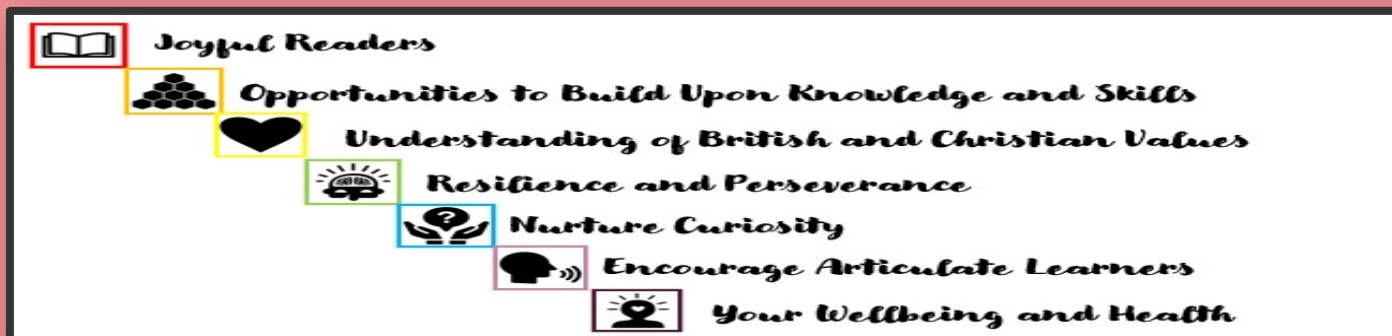


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Journeying Together to Learn, Live, and Laugh with the Love of God



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**OUR VALUE THIS
HALF TERM IS:
TRUTHFULNESS**

A message from Mrs Young

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy week!



It was such a shame not to be able to hold Sports Day on Tuesday - talk about the Great British Summer! Unfortunately the forecast for next Tuesday also looks very changeable. We will of course keep you posted - fingers crossed!

We have recently updated our Christian Vision statement and are looking forward to celebrating it and living it out in lots of ways next year!

**"Journeying together to Live,
Learn and Laugh with the Love of
God"**



I would like to think that we played a part in England's win over Holland this week in the semi finals by wearing our England kits, football kits and red and white clothing with pride. Here's hoping for a win on Sunday too! How exciting.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Young



School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Attendance

Whole School	91.7%
Reception	94.1%
Year 1	97.7%
Year 2	97.7%
Year 3	94.1%
Year 4	83.3%
Year 5	94.4%
Year 6	81.6%



Attendance Matters



Attendance Update

We need to try really hard each and every week to make sure every year group is beating our **97% target**—this will help us to succeed!

Our attendance this week is:

94.2%



Be In SCHOOL
Be On TIME



132

pupils

with perfect attendance this week.

Can we beat this next week?





Summer Attendance Competition

At St James we place huge importance on regular school attendance—the research speaks for itself and proves that those with the highest levels of attendance achieve great things!

We therefore now invite you to take part in our Summer 2 Attendance Challenge.

What do you need to do?



How can you win?

Come to school every day, and most importantly on time, between

Monday 3rd June and Friday 12th July

What can you win?

A mystery box of toys, games and arts and crafts to keep you busy over the Summer Holidays.

New Attendance Guidance

We are making parents aware of new Government guidance regarding unauthorised absences which comes into effect from 19th August 2024.

From this date, if your child has 5 school days (10 sessions) of unauthorised absence within a 10 week rolling period, it is likely that you will be issued with a fixed penalty notice.

If your child then has a 2nd period of unauthorised absence within 3 years and triggers another fixed penalty notice, this fine will increase. If your child has a 3rd period, this will likely result in a prosecution. We will be sending you official guidance from St Helens as soon as we receive it.



Journey Driver Focus:

RECEPTION	Sujatha De Silva
YEAR 1	Sofia Bate
YEAR 2	Joel Lyon
YEAR 3	Grace Lea
YEAR 4	Joshua Nelson
YEAR 5	Finley
YEAR 6	Molly Jackson





Whole School events Summer 2

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
17/06/24	Refugee Week
18/06/24	Reception School Trip - Manchester Airport
20/06/24	Year 4 Trip - Liverpool Museum and Ferry Ride
21/06/24	World Music Day
26/06/24	Year 2 Trip - World of Glass
01/07/24	Outwood Academy Induction Day
02/07/24	Outlook Academy Induction Day
02/07/24	Reception vision Test
03/07/24	New Hope Charity Day
09/07/24	Sports Day - Times to be confirmed
12/07/24	Reception Assembly 9.00am
16/07/24	Reserve Sports Day
17/07/24	Year4 Swimming - Last Finishes
18/07/24	Year 6 Leavers Service - St James' Church 9.30am
19/07/24	Close Closes for Summer 2pm



Sports day will take place on the school field, (weather permitting), on Tuesday 16th July.

The times are as follows:

- Reception, Year 1 and 2 - 9.30am
- Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - 1.30pm

Parents are most welcome to attend. Please enter via the bottom car park. All children are to wear their PE kit on sports day.

Safeguarding Tip of the Week

Self Esteem

Self-esteem is about valuing yourself as a whole person. Here's how you can support yourselves and your children in this journey. Celebrate strengths and uniqueness – we need to ensure we focus on what makes each person special, their talents, and their positive qualities. Practise positive reinforcement – celebrate their effort, progress, and achievements in all areas of their lives, focusing on growth, development and effort – not just outcomes. Set realistic goals and celebrate milestones – setting achievable goals builds confidence. Celebrate even small successes along the way. Practice self-compassion – we all have flaws, and that's okay! Treat yourself and others with kindness and understanding. How can we expect others to listen to our affirming words if we don't take heed ourselves?



National Online Safety Tip of the Week

Sharing Intimate Images

The sharing of intimate images online can be a dangerous avenue through which abusers seek to exploit children and young people, forcibly exposing them to explicit material, coercing them into sharing self-generated intimate images, and extorting them with the threat of sharing such images more widely. From reputational impact to potential blackmail or emotional distress, and even legal consequences, exposure to this harmful behaviour can have a severe impact.

It's important to remember that the creation and distribution of explicit material featuring under-18s – even by the child themselves – is illegal under UK law. Our guide looks at the serious concerns associated with this behaviour, and lets parents and educators know how best to address these issues and protect young people.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SHARING INTIMATE IMAGES

An intimate image depicts sensitive – often sexual – content, and sharing these photos or videos is commonly known as ‘sexting’. As of January 2024, it is a criminal offence to distribute any intimate images shared by a third party without consent, with offenders facing prison time. Naturally, misuse of intimate images can lead to emotional distress and reputational damage.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

Victims of the misuse of intimate images and so-called ‘sexting’ (blackmail involving sexual material) often experience significant emotional distress. The threat of having these photos or videos shared publicly can lead to anxiety, depression and a sense of helplessness. This emotional turmoil can affect daily life, academic performance and personal relationships.

DAMAGE TO REPUTATION

Intimate images being made public can severely damage a person’s reputation. This can lead to bullying, social ostracisation and long-term impacts on personal and professional relationships. If a blackmailer gets their hands on any intimate images, the fear of reputational damage can also make a victim far more vulnerable to ongoing extortion.

PRIVACY VIOLATIONS

Once intimate images are shared online, it can be difficult to quickly control where they wind up and who else sees them. This loss of privacy can have lifelong repercussions, including identity theft and persistent online harassment.

FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION

Perpetrators of sextortion may demand money from victims under the threat of releasing their intimate images publicly. This can lead to severe financial problems for victims and their families, compounding their emotional and psychological distress.

LEGAL CONSEQUENCES

If a child or young person creates and/or sends intimate images to others – especially adults – this is considered a form of child abuse under UK law. Having to disclose this type of abuse, although necessary, can be harrowing, leading to further trauma. It’s crucial for parents, carers and educators to understand the legal processes and be able to provide proper guidance and support.

TRUST ISSUES

Sharing of intimate images without consent can lead to long-term trust issues. Victims may find it difficult to trust others, impacting future relationships and their ability to form healthy, supportive connections. This erosion of trust can have profound effects on mental health and social wellbeing.

Advice for Parents & Educators

FOSTER A CULTURE OF OPEN COMMUNICATION

It’s vital to encourage open communication with children and young people about the dangers of sharing intimate images. Create a safe space where they feel comfortable discussing their online activities and any concerns they may have without fear of judgement. Be sure to respond to any worrying information with an attitude of support and learning.

PROMOTE DIGITAL LITERACY

Digital literacy is incredibly important for children and young people to understand how to protect their privacy online. Teach them about secure online practices, such as using strong passwords, enabling privacy settings and recognising suspicious behaviour. This empowers them to be proactive in terms of their own safety.

EDUCATE CHILDREN ON THE RISKS

Children and young people often want to understand why certain rules are in place. Educate them about the risks of sharing intimate images online, explaining the reasons for monitoring and other security measures. Highlight the potential for misuse, including sextortion, and the long-term consequences that can arise from these actions.

PROVIDE SUPPORT RESOURCES

Ensure that children and young people know where to seek help if they become victims of sextortion or any other online abuse. Help them identify in advance which adults they can turn to and provide them with information about trusted resources like helplines (e.g. Childline) that they can access if they need help.

Meet Our Expert

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Source: See full reference list on guide page at: [what-parents-need-to-know-about-sharing-intimate-images](https://nationalcollege.com/what-parents-need-to-know-about-sharing-intimate-images)

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Summer

TECH CLUBS



Rainford High School

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3 weeks from 29th July



9am-3pm/11am-3pm

Paid sessions Funded Sessions

Providing fun, educational activities including coding, robotics, game design and Minecraft Education as part of the HAF Scheme. Both paid and funded places are available to book for kids aged 5-15.

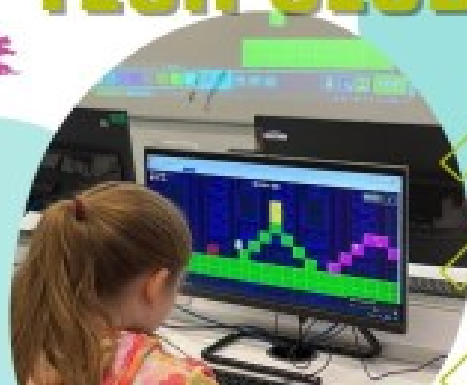


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*FREE places available to those eligible for and receiving benefits-related free school meals (FSM), and their families. Children who are in receipt of a support plan via Early Help, Child in Need or Children We Look After, EHCP, or if your child receives additional hours at school.



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2024

Summer Reading Challenge

Delivered in partnership with libraries



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Visit your nearest library from Saturday 6th July 2024 and sign up for the
Summer Reading Challenge. Ends Wednesday 11th September 2024.



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Celebrating
creativity

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FOOTBALL CAMP



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- Skills & ball techniques
 - Confidence building
 - Penalty shootout
 - Fun games & matches
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- Shin pads & water essential
 - Packed Lunch required



**23RD, 30TH July / 6TH, 13TH, 20TH,
27TH August / 2ND September**
Ages 5 - 8yrs | 10.30am - 1.30pm

**25TH July / 1ST, 8TH, 15TH, 22ND, 29TH
August / 3RD September**
Ages 9 - 12yrs | 10.30am - 1.30pm

26TH July
Tournament Session
Ages 6 - 9yrs | 10.30am - 1.30pm

9TH & 23RD August
Ages 7 - 10yrs | 10.30am - 1.30pm

**Walmsley Road Football
Field Eccleston WA105JR**

For more information contact
Steve Pagendam on
07492091999 or on Facebook
Steven Pagendam

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Billinge, Wigan

WN5 7LS

9:00am – 4:00pm



£24 per day per child
sibling discount available

To book your child's place:



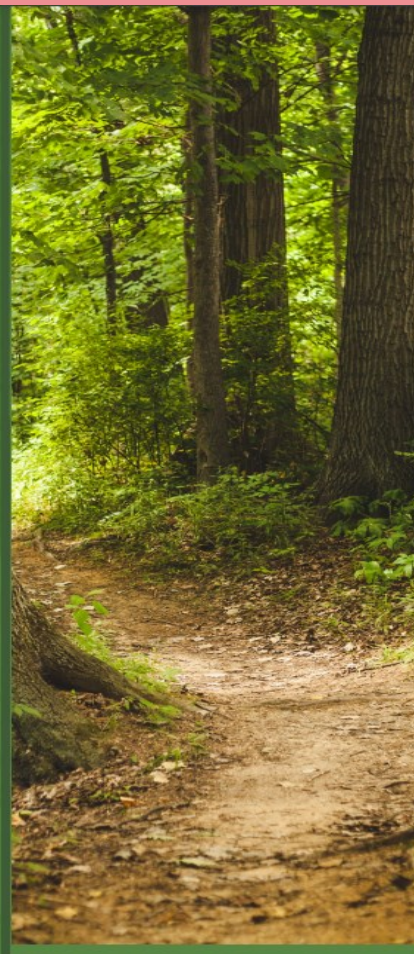
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Ages 5–10 years old

'The best classroom and the richest classroom is roofed
by only the sky.'



Mental Health Support Team **WELLBEING WEBINARS**

NHS
Mersey Care
NHS Foundation Trust

Your MHST is running a series of webinars one Friday a month on a number of topics relating to mental health and wellbeing.

TOPICS AND DATES

- Worry Management - 19 January
- Parenting for Anxiety - 23 February
- Low Mood - 22 March
- Neurodiversity - 26 April
- Parent Skills for Behaviour - 17 May
- LGBTQ+ - 21 June
- Emotional Regulation - 19 July



WHEN

4pm to 4:45pm



WHERE

Zoom

(link will be emailed)



To register please email which
webinar you want to attend to
events@merseycare.nhs.uk

Webinars will be recorded.
No chat function will be available
for safety purposes.

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Full of Beans

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Bookings can be made via our website
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COST

£25 standard day 9am - 4 pm

£35 extended day 8.30 am - 5.30 pm



LOCATION

Birchley St Mary's Primary
School
Birchley Road, Billinge, Wigan



DATE

Thursday 25 July -
Friday 23 August



Our coaches all hold professional qualifications and an enhanced DBS. Expert and qualified instruction in a safe, non-competitive environment. We go out of our way to ensure a personal and special day.

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St Helens Library Service
Read and Rhyme Time

Let your child's imagination take flight!

Chester Lane Library Mondays & Fridays, 11am	Eccleston Library Tuesdays & Fridays, 10.30am	Haydock Library Mondays, 10.30am Thursdays, 2.15pm
Moss Bank Library Tuesdays, 11am Fridays, 10.30am	Newton-le-Willows Library Mondays, 10.30am Fridays, 2.15pm	St Helens Library Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10.15am
Thatto Heath Library Tuesdays, 2.15pm Fridays, 11am	Join us in the library with your child. We'll introduce them to books, rhymes, music and other fun activities.	

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