



# Holy Cross Catholic Primary School

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## St Helens Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

### Who are we?

St Helens MHST is a free NHS service providing support for young people in Holy Corss who may be struggling with worry, low-mood or finding it difficult to regulate their emotions. Please scan the QR code below for more info.

### How can we help?

We provide 1:1, group or parenting intervention for young people at their school. These typically run for 6-8 sessions. If you would like your child to be referred, please speak to their class teacher or the school's pastoral manager.

Please scan below for more information.

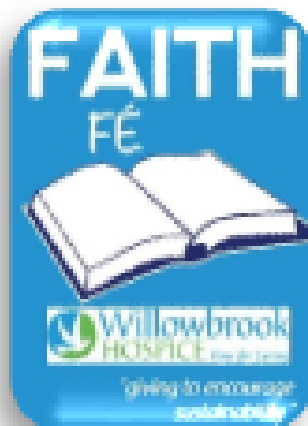


**NHS**

Mersey Care  
NHS Foundation Trust

*We Care, We Share, We Value.*

# House Teams Weekly Points



11,679

11,943

12,080

11,872



## Leader Board this week

Charity	Hope	Faith	Peace
791	765	844	709

## STARS OF THE WEEK



# Attendance

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Our whole school attendance this week is

**95%**

The Government set target is 97%.

Well done to

**Year 1**

for having the best attendance this week with

**100%**

## Attendance this week

Nursery	98%
Reception	90%
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>100%</b>
Year 2	95%
Year 3	93%
Year 4	94%
Year 5	94%
Year 6	95%

## Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



### Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

**5 Minutes**

**3.5 Days from School**

**20 Lessons**

**10 Minutes**

**7 Days from School**

**41 Lessons**

**15 Minutes**

**10 Days from School**

**55 Lessons**

**20 Minutes**

**14.5 Days from School**

**82 Lessons**

**30 Minutes**

**22 Days from School**

**123 Lessons**

**Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance**

## Happy Birthday!

On this special day,  
we celebrate how blessed the world  
became when God gave us you.



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Evie-Mae Mora  
Keyisha Lee  
Leonie Birch  
Lilly-Mae O'Brien  
Maia-Ioaha Rizoio  
Jackson Hoskison  
John Olonade  
Oliver Fairhurst  
Yenuja Rankoth Pedige  
Grace Lloyd  
Noah Spencer  
Adriana Orellana Lopez  
David Ajiboye  
Addisson O'Neill  
Phoebe Brown  
Mrs Gillespie

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## Y4 Brass—Friday

Year 4 must bring their instruments to school each Friday.

## Swimming—Wednesday's

Y5 need their swimming kit in school every Wednesday—the coach leaves at 9.00am

## School clubs

Monday: Y4-Y6 Football 3.15-4.15pm

Wednesday: Y1-3 Dodgeball 8.00-8.45am

Thursday: Y3-Y6 Board Games 3.30-4.00pm

### SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAY DATES 2023/2024

Term	School opens on:	School closes on:
Autumn term 2023	5th September	27th October
	6th November	22nd December
Spring term 2024	8th January	9th February
	19th February	28th March
Summer term 2024	15th April	22nd May
	5th June	23rd July
Inset days	<p><del>4th September</del> 23rd May &amp; 24th May 3rd June &amp; 4th June</p> <p><u>Bank Holidays</u> 29th March 1st April 6th May</p>	

Year Group	Homework
N	Library book read to them (each night) Talking task – phase one phonics (weekly) Practical maths (weekly)
R	Reading (each night) Reading & spelling tricky words practice (weekly) Number (weekly)
KS1	Reading (each night) Times Tables (each night) Reading & spelling tricky words practice (weekly) Maths (weekly) English comprehension (weekly)
KS2	Reading (each night) Times Tables (each night) Reading & spelling tricky words practice (weekly) Maths (weekly) English comprehension (weekly)

**CYPMHS Crisis Response** service as they have had some updates.

This service is for Children & Young People who are in need of immediate assistance for their **mental health or behaviour.**

<https://www.merseycare.nhs.uk/our-services/warrington/child-and-adolescent-mental-health-service-crisis-response->



Do you have the skills to foster?  
01744 671199 [sthelens.gov.uk/fostering](https://sthelens.gov.uk/fostering)



# ADDvanced Solutions Community Network

## Autism Post Diagnostic Learning Programme

### St Helens families

**ADDvanced Solutions**  
Community Network  
Supporting you to find the answers

We are pleased to share details of our **Autism Post Diagnostic Learning Programme**; a course for parents and carers living in St Helens, whose child or young person has received a diagnosis of autism (ASD). This unique learning programme has been designed to support and empower parents and carers, following their child or young person's diagnosis, in their understanding of how autism is experienced by children and young people. It will provide learning, guidance, and strategies to support their child or young person.

This learning programme is commissioned by NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB - St Helens Place.

This new offer begins in January 2024.

**To find out more, call us on 01744 582172 or email us  
info@advancedsolutions.co.uk. You can also visit our website,  
www.advancedsolutions.co.uk, for further information.**

Topics covered during the weekly sessions	
Understanding autism	Communication skills
Discussing a diagnosis of autism	Promoting self-esteem
Autism and girls	Talking about health
Sensory Processing Difficulties	Building positive relationships
Unique thought processes and special interests	Educational settings: working together
Stress and anxiety	Managing transitions
Understanding and supporting behaviour	Independence skills

For more information:

**E: info@advancedsolutions.co.uk  
T: 01744 582172**

**www.advancedsolutions.co.uk**

## Autism Post Diagnostic Learning Programme Session Dates

### IF YOUR CHILD IS 9-13 YEARS OF AGE

Session Number	Date and Time	Venue	Booking Details
Session 1 and 2	Friday 26th January 2024 9:30am - 2:45pm	St Helens, WA10	Parent/carers can call our office on 01744 582172 or email info@advancedsolutions.co.uk to book onto the learning programme.
Session 3 and 4	Friday 2nd February 2024 9:30am - 2:45pm		
Session 5 and 6	Friday 9th February 2024 9:30am - 2:45pm		

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# MUSIC SERVICE ENSEMBLES AT ST HELENS TOWN HALL

## 2023 -24 FREE!



INSPIRING MUSICAL CREATIVITY

FOR EVERY CHILD AND YOUNG PERSON WE MEET HERE



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### TUESDAY...

VOCAL GROUP

4.30PM - 5.50PM

### WEDNESDAY

WIDER  
OPPORTUNITIES BAND

4PM - 5PM

### WEDNESDAY

INTERMEDIATE  
WIND BAND

4PM - 5PM

### WEDNESDAY

INTERMEDIATE  
STRINGS

4PM - 5PM

### TUESDAY...

ROCK & POP BAND

4.30PM - 5.50PM

### WEDNESDAY

MUSIC THEORY CLUB

4PM - 5PM

### WEDNESDAY

YOUTH WIND  
ORCHESTRA

5.15PM - 6.30PM

### WEDNESDAY

SINFONIA

5.15PM - 6.30PM

### WEDNESDAY

MUSIC THEORY CLUB

5.15PM - 6.30PM

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musicservice@sthelens.gov.uk

SCAN THE QR CODE  
BELOW TO JOIN AND  
REGISTER TODAY







See Miss Davies for more information on main meals for the family for £4 per week.

Wesley Methodist Church  
Vincent Street, St Helens WA10 1LF

For **a small weekly fee** local residents can join up as members and access a whole range of benefits.

Entrance to a weekly shop at the Pantry

Meet new people or volunteer

Free welcome gifts

Pay by cash or standing order

There are no qualifying rules for joining and we also give out tea/coffee and toast while you wait.

A limited number of memberships available

Opening times:

**Tuesday**



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You can also call us on 01744 264 14