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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026 – NEWSLETTER NO 12

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to these children who received the Star of the Week Award from their class teachers over the first weeks of term. They have been working hard and displaying the right attitudes and values of the school, including being Ready, Respectful and Safe. You can also find their picture on the school's website.



Friday 27 February



Friday 06 March

PARENTAL E-SAFETY NEWSLETTER

March's e-safety newsletter includes features on youtube, risks of mobile phones, social media algorithms, screen time and virtual private networks. There are new parental controls on the amount of video shorts that you can allow your children to access and watch over a period of time to reduce the screen time and effects of these. The main feature is on mobile phones and what the children may be experiencing through their internet searches and the effects on their own mental health as a result. It is so important to be aware of what your child is accessing on any device. This leads onto the social media algorithms and how these are used to draw children into exposure of different videos, websites and adverts in particular.

The parental e-safety newsletter is attached for you.

TRUTHFULNESS HOME DISCUSSION SHEET

This term's theme for our Collective Worship is Truthfulness. We have attached the home discussion sheet for you to read through and talk to your child/ren about the themes within it. As you know the theme runs throughout the term and we will also be looking Individual Liberty within our British Values.

BOOK WEEK

Monday 23rd March – Friday 27th March we will have the book fair in the hall, every day after school. Children will have a £1 book token that they can use towards a purchase of a book. Payment by card is preferred but cash is welcome. We invite children to dress up as a favourite book character on Friday 27th March and would especially love to see children bring in a copy of their favourite book to talk about in class. As always, dressing up is optional and can be anything from a small prop (who doesn't love Harry Potter glasses?) to a whole costume! There will be a special assembly, fun book activities during the day and a prize for the best dressed in each year group. I cannot wait for this wonderful day! Liz Cannock, English Lead.



FIDGET TOYS



We are having a large number of children bringing in fidget toys/sensory toys into school. Which although have their benefits, are now becoming a distraction due to the types of toys being brought in and the amount of children bringing things in. Please can we request these items are kept at home and if your child has a specific SEND need which requires them to use a fidget, please discuss this with the school's SENCo Miss McKenzie. If you have already done this and it has been agreed your child can use one, they can continue to do so.

GREAT ATHLETES



This week, we were delighted to welcome Jack Rutter to our school. Jack led an exciting sports circuit session where pupils took part in a range of fun physical activities that tested their balance and determination. After the activities, Jack spoke to the children about his career as a Paralympic footballer, sharing some of his achievements and explaining how hard work and perseverance helped him succeed in sport. He also talked about what motivated him to become a sportsman and encouraged pupils to believe in themselves and keep trying, even when things are challenging.

It was an inspiring visit and a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to learn from a real Paralympian.

More photos are available on the school website -

<https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Great+Athletes+%2D+Jack+Rutter&pid=350>

NURSERY

Last week we investigated all about dinosaurs and read our book "Am I yours". We had fun being palaeontologists, exploring our dig site. We went on a dinosaur hunt around school and then drew dinosaur portraits. To further our maths skills, we measured and size ordered dino bones. This week we have been down on the farm, reading "What the ladybird heard" roleplaying in our farm, tractor and farm shop, growing and selling our fruit and vegetables. We have found out all about where our food comes from. We were grateful to loan the South Gloucestershire road safety team's resources, and we have learnt about the importance of holding our grown-ups hand and finding out who can help us cross the road safely. More photos are available to view on the school website:

<https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/page/?title=06%2E03%2E26+update&pid=349>



FLYERS & FLUENCY

This term class 3/4 are fortunate to have a whole morning of Bristol sport learning about 'Flyers and Fluency'. This is a series of lessons based around the basketball team, Bristol Flyers. We have also been told, we may be lucky enough to get an actual player to visit our class!

We spend a Tuesday morning practicing math fluency skills inside before going outside to practice our basketball skills, it is great fun!



CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday 27th March, our whole school came together for a fantastic cross country event. Every year group took part, from the youngest children to the oldest, and there was a real buzz of excitement on the field.

There were lots of smiles, tired legs, and proud faces at the finish line. It was a wonderful afternoon full of fun, teamwork, and great sportsmanship. More photos are available to view on the school website -

<https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/gallery/?pid=0&gcatid=2&albumid=78>



VACANCY FOR LUNCHBREAK SUPERVISOR

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

We have a vacancy for a lunchbreak supervisor, Monday – Friday 12noon-1pm. We offer a friendly, supportive working environment with a dedicated team of staff. If you are interested in applying for the position, please see the advert attached or email office@stpetersprimary.co.uk Please share the vacancy with anyone you know who may be interested.

FOSP FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT

The Friends of St Peter's are holding a family quiz night tonight! Come along 6.30pm-8pm. Tickets are £1 and can be purchased on the door.



DROP OFF/PARKING ON SITE



There are still parents insisting on parking in the school to drop off their children.

The only place this is permissible is the 'drop off zone' where the parents can quickly stop, say goodbye, allow their children to exit the car and then drive off to allow other parents to do the same.

This should take no longer than a few seconds. Some parents have been seen waiting as their child walks up the path. It is inconsiderate and dangerous as lengthy queues form behind waiting to get in to the school and blocking Bank Road. At the end of the day parents must park their cars on the street and walk into the school unless you have a disabled parking badge or legitimate reason and have an agreement in advance from either Mr BM, Mr Smith or the office **We close the gates at 15.05.** Blue Badge Holders are still permitted to park on the grounds however we would ask that you arrive no later **15:05**. These measures are in place for the safety and wellbeing of our children at St Peter's and fairness to all parents. Please respect this and park accordingly. Please also ensure anyone else collecting your children on your behalf are aware of this.



SCHOOL CALENDAR

The school website is packed with information and should be the first place you should visit if you are looking for dates or times. The School calendar is updated regularly with times and dates of important events for your children – please check this regularly for updates.

<https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/calendar/?calid=1&pid=3&viewid=1>



ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

If you are in receipt of one or more of the following benefits you should apply for **benefits-related Free School Meals**:

Universal Credit - provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
Income Support
Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
Child Tax Credit (annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

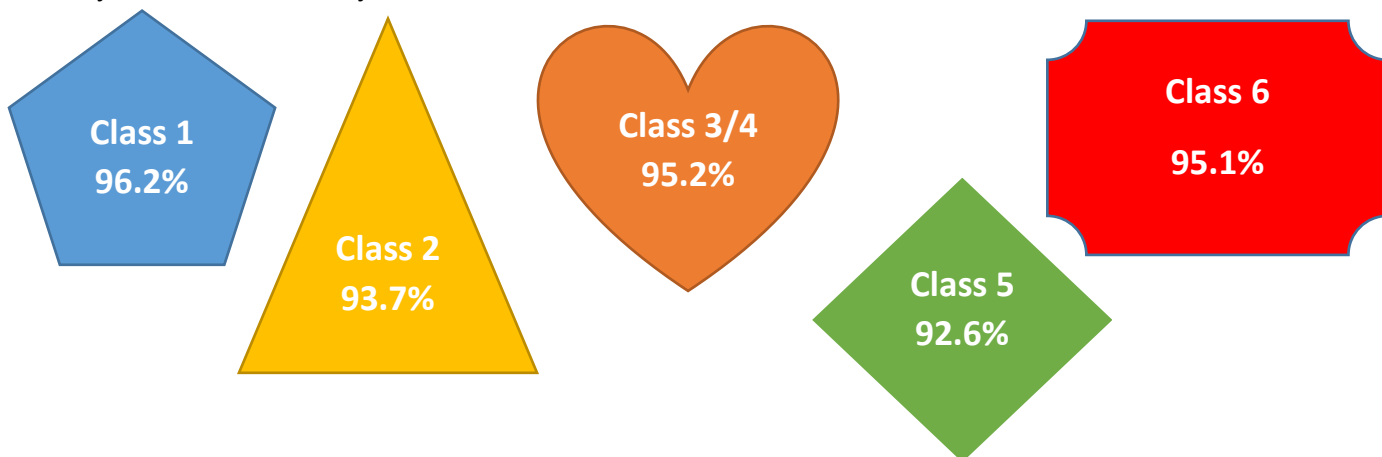
Universal Infant Free School Meals are available to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This means that regardless of household income your child can have a hot meal every day provided by school, free of charge.

Applying for benefits-related Free School Meals when your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 (or any year group) will support your child's learning in school and help for your family in the holidays. Schools receive additional funding called Pupil Premium for each eligible child which can be used to support children in school, such as small group work and exciting activities. Currently, families who have applied for Benefits-Related Free School Meals have received supermarket food e-vouchers and activity clubs in school holidays.

If you think you might be eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals (FSMs) and your child is aged 4 to 18 years visit the [Schools Meals webpage](#) or speak to one of the office staff.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Each week we monitor the attendance of the whole school. These are the average attendance figures for the school year so far for each year class –



Best wishes

Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

COMMUNICATION SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE

Communication	Method	Recipients
HAF programmes	Email	Free school meals families
Football tournament	Email/letter	Selected year 6 children
Bridge games	Email	Year 2
Social media letter	Email	Everyone

Term dates 2025/26

TERM 4

Friday 6 March	FOSP Family quiz night 6.30pm – 8pm
Monday 9 March	3.30pm – 6.30pm Parents Evening
Tuesday 10 March	Year 5 and 6 visit to Houses of Parliament, London
Wednesday 11 March	3.30pm – 6.00pm Parents Evening
Monday 16 March	Year 3 swimming lessons every day for 2 weeks + year 6 catch up
Monday 23 March	Book fair every day after school in the hall
Thursday 2 April	2.40pm Singing Square with invited Year 3 and 4 parents
	End of Term 4

TERM 5

Monday 20 April	Start of Term 5 for all children
Monday 4 May	MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY – School closed to children
Monday 11 to	Year 6 SATs week
Thursday 14 May	
Friday 22 May	2.40pm Singing Square with invited Year 5 and 6 parents
	End of Term 5

TERM 6

Monday 1 June	INSET DAY – School closed to children
Tuesday 2 June	INSET DAY – School closed to children
Wednesday 3 to	Year 4 MTC testing week
Friday 12 June	
Thursday 9 June	Class photo day
Monday 8 to Friday 12 June	Year 1 phonics testing week
Monday 29 June	Start of Sports Week
Friday 3 July	Sports morning

Monday 13 July **Family picnic and Celebration afternoon**
Tuesday 14 July **Year 5 and 6 show**
Monday 20 July **Year 5 and 6 show**
Tuesday 21 July **Year 6 Leavers Service**
2.40pm Singing Square with all parents on the field (weather permitting)
End of school year

Term dates 2025/2026

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Monday 1 September 2025	Friday 24 October 2025
Term 2	Monday 3 November 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
Term 3	Monday 5 January 2026	Friday 13 February 2026
Term 4	Monday 23 February 2026	Thursday 2 April 2026
Term 5	Monday 20 April 2026	Friday 22 May 2026
Term 6	Monday 1 June 2026	Tuesday 21 July 2026
INSET DAYS	Monday 1 September 2025 Thursday 23 October 2025 Friday 24 October 2025 Monday 1 June 2026 Tuesday 2 June 2026	

Term 4 Clubs

CLUB	DAY	TIME	RUN BY	WHO FOR?	HOW TO SIGN UP	COST	STARTS	ENDS
Eco Warriors	Friday	Before school 8.15am - 8.40am	Miss Bagienska	Everyone - limited to 8 children	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	27/02/2026	27/03/2026
Football	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Mr Truan	Year 5 & 6	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	25/02/2026	01/04/2026
Chess	Thursday	Lunchtime 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Mr Baykaa- Murray	all students	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	26/02/2026	02/04/2026
Dance	Tuesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	24/02/2026	31/03/2026
Basketball	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	25/02/2026	01/04/2026

*** BRISTOL SPORTS ARE NOW OFFERING A SIBLING DISCOUNT OF 25%, CALL THEM ON 0117 963 0683 TO BOOK.**