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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026 – NEWSLETTER NO 15

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to these children who received the Star of the Week Award from their class teachers over the last 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 24 April



Friday 1 May

ATTENDANCE

As you know, very good attendance at school is a must to enable the children to make the progress that they need to make to help them achieve their full potential. As you know there is a national focus on attendance across all schools. Our attendance figure of 95.1% is just above the national average at 94.6%. Our usual attendance was higher last year at this point. Our persistent absence rates for those children who are missing more than 10% of school so far this year is 12.1%, which is below the national average of 14.7%. Our previous persistent absence rate was between 6 and 9%; so this is an increase. This impacts so much on the children's learning, social interaction and levels of attainment and progress. You can see what the research shows in relation to the percentages of attendance. Lateness is also an issue. Even if your child arrives at school but after the registers have closed at 9.10 am then it will be legally marked as an absence and contributes towards this percentage. Therefore, getting the morning routine right and working well so you arrive at school before the bell goes is important. You are able to see your child's attendance certificate and percentage on Arbor. Please check your child's attendance and see if there is a need for improvement. If there is an issue that is medical or circumstantial that we are unaware of please let us know. We will be sending out another round of letters shortly to those below 90% attendance and will look for improvements during this term. Thank you in advance for your co-operation and support in sending your child to school everyday and on time.

On a more positive note, we gave out certificates for those pupils who achieved 100% attendance during year to date and still have 10 children who have not missed a day over the entire year. Well done to those children. Let's see more children gaining the 100% attendance certificates at the end of the summer term.



SAFEGUARDING

One of our main aspects of school is the safeguarding of our children. This includes the wider school environment of playgrounds and outside of school. This also extends into the playgrounds in the morning and afternoon. Please make sure your children are supervised by yourself until the start of school and after they have been handed over at the end of the day. Too many children are running around the car park when leaving school. Please be vigilant with your children. If you see anything that concerns you then please report this to a member of staff to be dealt with. Please do not deal with other people's children by yourself. We would also request that no photos or videos be shared online with anyone through social media. It may well be with good intentions, however there are children whose parents have requested their images are not shared on any platform and this contravenes this request and also our safeguarding policy. Any parent that does share images will be asked to remove them immediately from any social media platform. This may also result in a ban on taking photos and videos at future school events.

PARKING



Yet again, we are finding issues with parking. As many will be aware, both gates are now closed before the end of the day to stop parents parking in the car park. Now, some people are resorting to parking on the yellow zigzag lines, which is illegal and can incur a fine of up to

£130. We have requested that the police monitor this as it is endangering our children. This was evident yesterday when one of our 'parking buddies' was run over where they were strategically placed to remind people not to park on the zigzag lines. Imagine if this were a real child!

Please park responsibly!



PARENTAL E-SAFETY NEWSLETTER

April's e-safety newsletter includes features on BBC i-player for children and how to set up user accounts that provide age-appropriate content to watch. It also shares the age-related ratings guidelines for different apps and games that the children may play. Here is a video to give you some more information. <https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/Online-Gaming.mp4>

Please familiarise yourself with these and support your child is accessing age appropriate games. It also shares information linked to changes in parental controls in Whats app and how to help your child spot potential fake websites and profiles as opposed to genuine real one.

HUMILITY HOME DISCUSSION SHEET

This term's theme for our Collective Worship is Humility. We have attached the home discussion sheet for you to read through and talk to your child/ren about the themes within it. We will also be looking at Respect within our British Values.

FOSP DISCO

The Friends of St Peter's are holding a school disco on Friday 15th May. Nursery & KS1 children will attend 5pm-6pm and KS2 children will attend 6.15pm-7.15pm. Tickets are £4 each and will be on sale soon. There will be a tuck shop available on the night.



BRISTOL SPORTS MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUB



We are pleased to share that Bristol Sport Foundation will be running Holiday Clubs over May half term at St Peters Primary. These will be on Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th & Thursday 28th May.

The Bristol Sport Foundation offers a wide range of themed activity days such as Multi-Sport, NERF Games, Gym & Dance. Full details can be found on the poster attached.

Early Bird Offer - Book before Sunday ,10th May to receive 20% off, please use the code MAYHT20

Use this link to book in: [Bristol Sports Foundation | Shop | Abler](#)

NURSERY



Our focus book last week was Jack and The Beanstalk. We spent the week learning about how beans grow. We planted our own beans in the classroom and are patiently watching them. We investigated green beans and runner beans using great fine motor skills to cut them open and find out what's inside. In maths we have been exploring height and learned all about 'tall' and 'short'. We size ordered the class and found out who was the tallest and shortest. We also enjoyed retelling the story by using stick puppets and role playing in 'Jack's house'.

This week we have read The very hungry caterpillar, and we have some wriggly little visitors in Nursery, we cannot wait for them to form into chrysalis' and transform into butterflies.

The children have been practising their funky fingers by threading coloured beads on to caterpillar bodies and using their chopping skills to cut fruit to make kebabs. We have enjoyed making junk modelling caterpillars and using water colours to create our own beautiful butterflies.

With the lovely weather we have had, we have introduced our new sand pit outside. The children have absolutely loved this and are playing so nicely, taking turns and gaining some independence by taking their shoes and socks off and putting them on all by themselves.

More photos can be found on the school website -

<https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/page/?title=01%2E05%2E26+update&pid=357>

READING BOOKS & READING RECORDS



Early reading is so important for our pupils at St Peter's, and it is wonderful to hear the improvement children are making from reading at home.

Unfortunately, I am seeing increased numbers of books being ruined by leaky water bottles and books being lost at home. Please help us take care of this by keeping bottles separate and looking after our books. Thank-you, Mrs.Liz Cannock

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>



Y6 Cake Sale Fundraiser

The Cake Sale

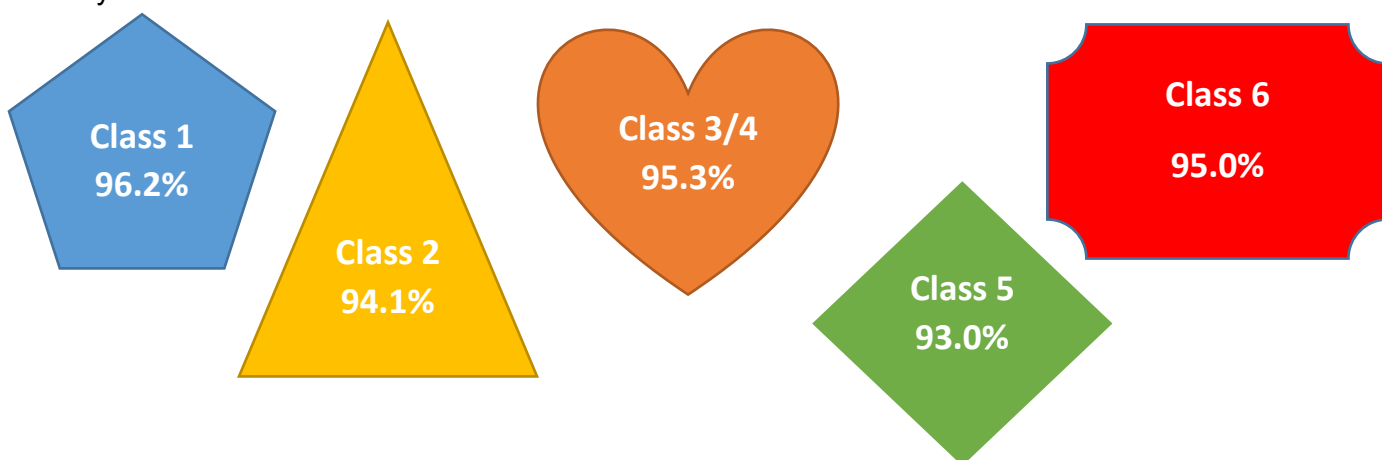
Tuesday 19th May 3:20pm



Have a photo with Mr BM's and Miss McKenzie's
pet dinosaur for 50p too!

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 class –



Best wishes

Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

COMMUNICATION SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE

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Noah's Ark trip letter	Email	Class 1 & 2
Celebration of Sport letter	Email	Class 3/4
Legoland trip letter	Email	Class 6
Reception library cards	Email	Class 1

Term dates 2025/26

TERM 5

Monday 4 May	MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY – School closed to children
Tuesday 5 May	Year 3/4 Viking WOW day
Monday 11 to	Year 6 SATs week
Thursday 14 May	
Friday 15 May	FOSP disco
Wednesday 20 May	Year 3/4 celebration of sport
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	
Friday 12 June	Class photo day
Monday 8 to	Year 1 phonics testing week
Friday 12 June	
Wednesday 17 June	Class 1 & 2 trip to Noah’s Ark
Thursday 18 June	Class 6 trip to Legoland
Monday 22 June Class	Year 5 Jailbreak competition
Monday 29 June	Start of Sports Week
Friday 3 July	Sports morning
	Family picnic and Celebration afternoon
Monday 13 July	Year 5 and 6 show
Tuesday 14 July	Year 5 and 6 show
Monday 20 July	Year 6 Leavers Service
Tuesday 21 July	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 dates for 2026/27

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Tuesday 1 September 2026	Friday 23 October 2026
Term 2	Monday 2 November 2026	Friday 18 December 2026
Term 3	Monday 4 January 2027	Friday 12 February 2027
Term 4	Monday 22 February 2027	Thursday 25 March 2027
Term 5	Monday 12 April 2027	Friday 28 May 2027
Term 6	Monday 7 June 2027	Wednesday 21 July 2027
INSET DAYS	Tuesday 1 September 2026 Friday 23 October 2026 Monday 7 June 2027 Tuesday 8 June 2027 Plus one TBC	

Term 5 Clubs

CLUB	DAY	TIME	RUN BY	WHO FOR?	HOW TO SIGN UP	COST	STARTS	ENDS
Colouring club	Friday	Lunchtime 12.30pm - 1pm	Miss Bagienska	Everyone - limited to 15 children	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	01/05/2026	22/05/2026
Cricket	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Mr Truan	Yr3,4,5 & 6	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	22/04/2026	20/05/2026
Football	Tuesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	21/04/2026	19/05/2026
Basketball	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	22/04/2026	13/05/2026

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