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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026 – NEWSLETTER NO 18

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 12 June



Friday 19 June

SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE FESTIVAL OF YOUTH SPORT

On Saturday 6 June 14 children from years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 represented St Peter's at the South Gloucestershire Festival of Youth Sport. This is a very important annual event in the school sports calendar. The school was chosen to represent the countries of Greece and Ireland at the athletes' parade which signifies the start of the festival.



Years 1 and 2 then went off to the multi-skills event which saw them compete in different skills based games such as collection of balls, hitting the target and many more. They had a great time participating in the different aspects. Year 3 and 4 were in the Boccia and New Aged Kurling event where they needed accuracy of aim as well as judging how much force to send the boccia ball and the kurling stone to win. The four girls did brilliantly and worked so well as a team. Year 5 and 6 took on the Laser Run challenge – running and shooting a laser gun at a very small target. This proved very tricky but at least everyone of our four children hit the target at least once. They all had a great morning and went home with a commemorative t-shirt. Well done for your support of each other and great team work. More photos on the school website:

<https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/gallery/?pid=0&qcatid=2&albumid=81>



THE GREAT BRITISH SUMMER SAVINGS SCHEME

The Great British Summer Savings scheme is running from 25 June to 1 September 2026, helping families feel a bit less squeezed this summer.

The new scheme includes reduced VAT on days out, including tickets at attractions like soft play, adventure centres and theme parks, children's tickets for theatres and cinemas, and children's meals in restaurants. Children aged 5 to 15 in England will also be able to travel free on local bus services throughout August.

For further information about the scheme visit [Summer Savings](#).

This is in addition to further support available to families, with more information available at [Cost of Living Help](#).

Y6 LEGOLAND

Year 6 had an amazing day at Legoland with Almondsbury Year 6. It was a great time to reconnect with friends made from France and to have fun on all the rides.



FOSP SUMMER FAIR

Come along to the summer fair. There will be lots of stalls and activities and all proceeds raised go towards enhancing the children's education.

If anyone would be happy to spend a couple of hours helping, please let us know.

We are still looking for raffle prizes aswell, please drop these off to the office.

At the summer event we will be holding our classic rainbow raffle, please bring in items in your class colours, toiletries/food/drink/toys, anything! –

Nursery = Orange

Class 1 = Blue

Class 2 = Red

Class 3/4 = Green

Class 5 = Purple

Class 6 = Yellow



SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD PROGRAMME

South Gloucestershire's Holiday Activities and Food programme is open for bookings for this summer for children and young people aged 5 to 16. There are lots of fun clubs and activities to choose from generally between Wednesday 22 July and Friday 28 August 2026, although some providers may offer different dates. Places are fully funded for children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. Eligible pupils can be booked on up to 16 days of activities. See all the activities available and book at www.southglos.gov.uk/HAF

NURSERY

Last week our focus book was "Frog on the Log". We spent the week learning all about the frog life cycle. We had fun exploring our chia seed frogspawn sensory tray, we thought the texture was very funny and very slimy. In 'Frog Cottage' we enjoyed role playing with tea and cake. We moved on to 'f' in phonics and used great maths skills when singing "5 little speckled frogs".

This week we read a traditional tale "The Ugly Duckling". We have discussed our feelings, the importance of being kind and the idea that everyone is special in their own way. We have furthered our knowledge of pond life, investigating all sorts of water birds. We have engaged in lots of funky fingers activities this week, strengthening our fine motor development through threading laces, lots of playdough and using scissors. We have explored capacity this week through our curiosity during water play. More photos can be found on the school website: <https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/page/?title=19%2E06%2E26+update&pid=368>



NOAHS ARK TRIP

Reception and KS1 had a fantastic trip to Noah's Ark Zoo, where they enjoyed two engaging workshops linked to their learning about animals. Throughout the day, the children saw a wide variety of African and farm animals and had the opportunity to learn more about their habitats, diets, and characteristics. Despite the wet weather, the children remained enthusiastic and had a wonderful time exploring the zoo. It was a valuable learning experience, and the children certainly deepened their knowledge of the animals they have been studying in their curriculum. More photos can be found on the school website:

<https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/gallery/?pid=0&qcatid=2&albumid=82>



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>



SPORTS WEEK MONDAY 29 JUNE – FRIDAY 3 JULY

The children will need to wear their PE kits throughout the week for the various activities including Tour d’Pilning, house matches, round robin games and the finale of Sports morning. On that morning please send the children in wearing a t-shirt in the colour of their house team.

TOUR d’PILNING – WEDNESDAY 1ST JULY

Information can be found on the attached letter



SPORTS DAY AND CELEBRATION AFTERNOON – FRIDAY 3RD JULY

The time table for the day is as follows –

- **9.00am** – The gates will open for KS1 families to sign in under their child’s class
- **9.15am** – Gate will close & KS1 sports day will commence
- **10.30am** – KS1 sports day will end (approximately) Gate will reopen for those parents wanting to leave & KS2 parents to arrive and sign in under their child’s class
- **10.45am** – Gate will close & KS2 will commence
- **12.00pm** – Picnic lunch on the field, children can have a home packed lunch or a school packed lunch (roll, fruit, vegetable sticks & a cake) out on the field, please make your selection on Arbor (no hot meals on this day)
- **1.00pm** – Children will return to class to be registered
- **1.15pm** – Parents are invited into their child’s classroom for celebration afternoon

Parents can take their children home after they have visited their classes, but all children & parents must sign out in the classrooms.

As this is an all-day event, KS1 families are welcome to stay all day. FOSP will be selling light refreshments throughout the morning.

CELEBRATION AFTERNOON – FRIDAY 3RD JULY



We will then take the children inside at the end of lunchtime to prepare them for you coming to visit the classrooms and see all the wonderful work they have been producing over the course of the year. This will start at 1.15pm if you are not staying with us for lunch or can’t make the morning sports events. You will be able to take the children home from school when you have finished looking at their work. You will need to sign them out in the classroom before taking them with you.

EDIE’S BIG CHOP FOR THE LITTLE PRINCESS TRUST

On 10th July, Edie in year 4 will be cutting off all of her hair to donate it to The Little Princess Trust. The charity provides free real-hair wigs to children and young people who have lost their hair through cancer treatment and other conditions, helping to restore confidence during an incredibly difficult time. They also fund vital childhood cancer research.

Edie is taking on this challenge to help make a difference, and every donation — no matter how big or small — will help support the amazing work they do.

💖 If you’d like to support Edie and this fantastic cause, please donate here:

https://littleprincesstrust.blackbaud-sites.com/fundraising/edies-fundraising-page431?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=dssb-CL&utm_content=MPC&utm_ref=UBS

Please like, share, and help us spread the word. Let’s help Edie raise as much as possible and support children who need it most. 🙌💖

#LittlePrincessTrust #HairDonation #Fundraising #CancerSupport #BigChop #MakingADifference

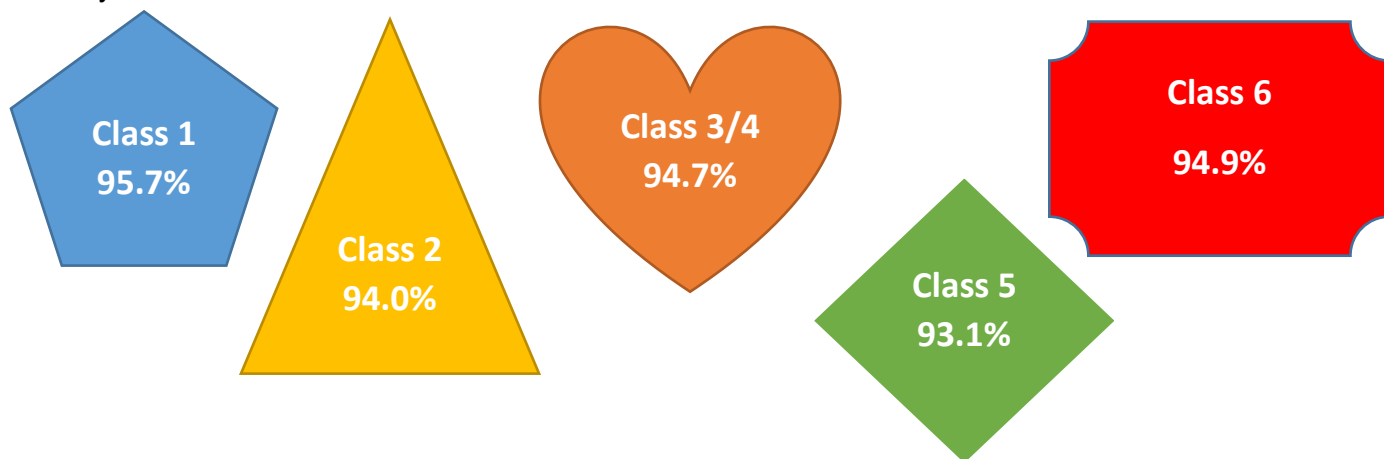
EXTENDED FREE SCHOOL MEALS

From September 2026 the Government are introducing expanded free school meals to families on Universal Credit. Currently you may be entitled to free school meals due to benefit related income, or your child is in Reception, year 1 or 2 and entitled to the Universal Infant Free School Meals. The expanded free school meals will mean free school meals for children whose family claim universal credit and have an income over £7,400 (so not entitled to the benefit related free school meals). The Government estimate this change to help over 500,000 children, saving families up to £495 per child annually.

Please remember to answer the google form that was emailed to you yesterday to help us estimate how these changes will impact us as a school. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdR7XOoKkOoUgE0vIahgHA_LLATZLOphDLnI_RA-uUgSDixPZg/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=113676723434543537040
Thank you to everyone who has answered so far. If you have any questions, please speak to Jemma in the office.

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

RSHE Lesson information	Class 3/4, 5 & 6	Emailed
HAF information	FSM families	Emailed
Triple P Parenting course	Everyone	Emailed
Cricket letter	Selected year 5 & 6	Emailed
Jailbreak	Class 5	Emailed
PSHE	Class 2	Emailed
Parental declaration	Nursery 2026/27	Emailed

Term dates 2025/26**TERM 6****Monday 22 June****Friday 26 June****Monday 29 June****Wednesday 1 July****Friday 3 July****Year 5 Jailbreak competition****FOSP Summer Fair 3.30 – 5.30pm****Start of Sports Week****Tour d Pilning****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 Lunch and 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	