St. Peter's Anglican Methodist VC Primary School
Dream, Believe, Achieve
"All things are possible." Mark 9:23

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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027 – NEWSLETTER NO 05

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to these children who received the Star of the Week Award from their class teachers over the first week 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 06 November

YEAR 6 VISIT TO LIFESKILLS CREATE CENTRE

Year 6 visited the Lifeskills Create Centre in Bristol where they experienced different scenarios and how to keep themselves safe. They learned how to call the emergency services and how to give them the correct information as well as knowing why it is important to keep a receipt from shopping! They thoroughly enjoyed their experience and as always, were a pleasure to take on a trip.

YEAR 5 AND 6 GYMNASTICS COMPETITION

Congratulations to our Y5 and Y6 Gymnasts who competed against 4 other local primary schools on Monday 19 October. The routines were executed perfectly and St Peter's gain second place. Well done to all of our competitors – we are very proud of you!






CHILDREN IN NEED

Next Friday 13 November, we will be supporting Children in Need. This year, the School Parliament have decided that our school participation will be all the children coming into school **dressed as an athlete.** We will be taking part in a **'silly marathon'** on the day around our field. The children can jog, roll, bunny-hop, skip, jump or what they would like to do around the field. We have a special code to log into our schools fundraising area. Our URL is https://www.runpudsey.co.uk/school/st-peters-anglican-methodist-vc-primary. Once you have clicked on the link, you will need the code **6F60** to register. From here you can make your donations (please note we will not be accepting cash donations on the day) The children will also have the opportunity to be awarded medals. Thank you in advance for your support.

RESPECT HOME DISCUSSION SHEET

This term's theme for our Collective Worship is Respect. 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 at Respect within our British Values as well.

E-SAFETY PARENTAL NEWSLETTER

This edition of the online e-safety newsletter focuses on the perils of the internet and specifically online grooming and how to spot the signs of potential grooming and what you can do about it. This also applies to COM networks. It also investigates parental controls for Spotify to ensure children are too exposed to uncensored and explicit material. There is also a reminder of WhatsApp age restrictions and parental control.

PARENTS EVENINGS

We have our annual Autumn term parents' evenings on Monday 16 and Wednesday 18 November from 3.30pm onwards. The Arbor booking portal is now open and will remain open until Friday 13 November at 4.00pm. Please make sure you book in to speak to your child's class teacher.

ARBOR PAYMENTS

Please ensure you pay into the correct accounts on the Abor app. If you are paying a nursery invoice & an after school club payment this will need to be 2 payments into each account for example. This is so we can account for all payments received correctly.

MINDLINE SOUTHWEST TEXT AND CHAT



If you are based in Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire and you would like a 30-minute emotional support call, you can call Bristol Mindline on 0117 203 4419 from 7 pm-11 pm Wednesday to Sunday.

GUINESS WORLD RECORD

After participating in the reading world record on Thursday 8th October, we received this email yesterday!

St Peter's are part of a Reading World Record! Well done everyone, who took part!

Congratulations and thank you for taking part in **Take 10 to Read**!

We are delighted to share that we have set a new **GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™** title for the **most people reading online in 12 hours**!

Thank you for taking part in our Take 10 to Read event and helping make this incredible achievement possible.

Highlights

- **153,862** participants took part in our Take 10 to Read event around the world from **92** countries and territories
- More than **3,000 schools, libraries, businesses, community groups and other settings** got involved
- Participants spent **hundreds of thousands of minutes reading in all different formats,** from books to comics to audiobooks, sharing stories and celebrating literacy across the globe.

NURSERY

We have spent the last 2 weeks exploring Autumn with our focus books being 'The Lumpy Bumpy Pumpkin' and 'The Leaf Thief'.

We enjoyed lots of pumpkin activities and had our very own lumpy bumpy pumpkin. There was lots of role playing in the pumpkin patch. We made autumn soup and went on a nature hunt, searching for signs of Autumn. We collected autumn treasures and made some beautiful nature wreaths to hang in the classroom. We have found such amazing autumn-coloured leaves and have learnt all about why the seasons change, gaining more knowledge of the world.

More pictures can be found on our school website – https://stpetersprimary.ovw1.devwebsite.co.uk/page/?title=04%2E+6th+November+2026&pid=410





SCHOOL TOURS FOR NEW PARENTS 2027 INTAKE

We have the dates now confirmed for the school tours for new prospective parents for the intake in September 2027. It will be lovely to show new parents around and share all that is great about our school.

Wednesday 11 November 9.30am	Wednesday 11 November 11,15am

WATER BOTTLES

Can we please remind parents that every child should bring in a named water bottle each day and this must only contain water – no squash please.



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

ARBOR PAYMENTS

All bookings for meals, clubs, trips and wraparound care need to be made and paid for using the Arbor App or Parent Portal. Please read our step by step instructions and watch the helpful videos on our website for our new parents. Thank you

https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Arbor+Parent+Portal%2FApp+%26amp%3B+Payments&pid=151

FUNDRAISING FOR THE SCHOOL

Want to help raise money for the school? Here are ways you can help:

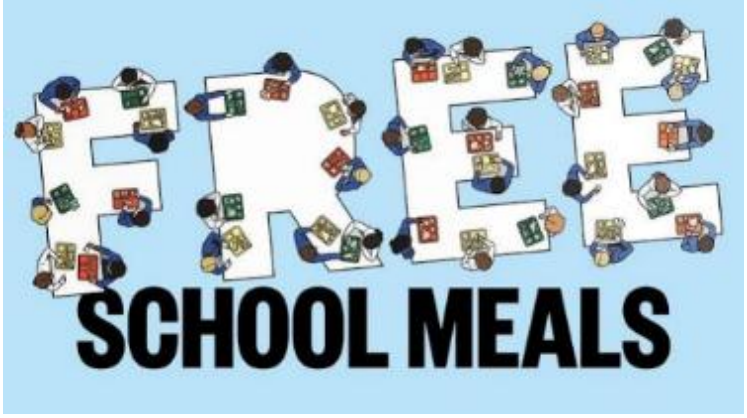
EASYFUNDRAISING – Sign up to Easyfundraising on their website https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/ and nominate our school, every time you shop with participating retailers online they will donate a percentage to the school, this varies for each company but it doesn't cost you a penny. You can also add a donation reminder so it reminds you that the retailer website you are browsing is part of the scheme.



CLOTHING BANK – We have a clothing bank on site, you donate your unwanted clothes and the company pays the Friends of St Peter's money per kg collected.

JOIN THE FRIENDS OF ST PETERS – Become a member of the FOSP to help with fundraising ideas and events – email friendsofstpetersprimary@outlook.com and they can let you know all the details.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?



From the start of the 2026 to 2027 academic year, all children from households in receipt of Universal Credit attending these schools will be entitled to receive a free meal.

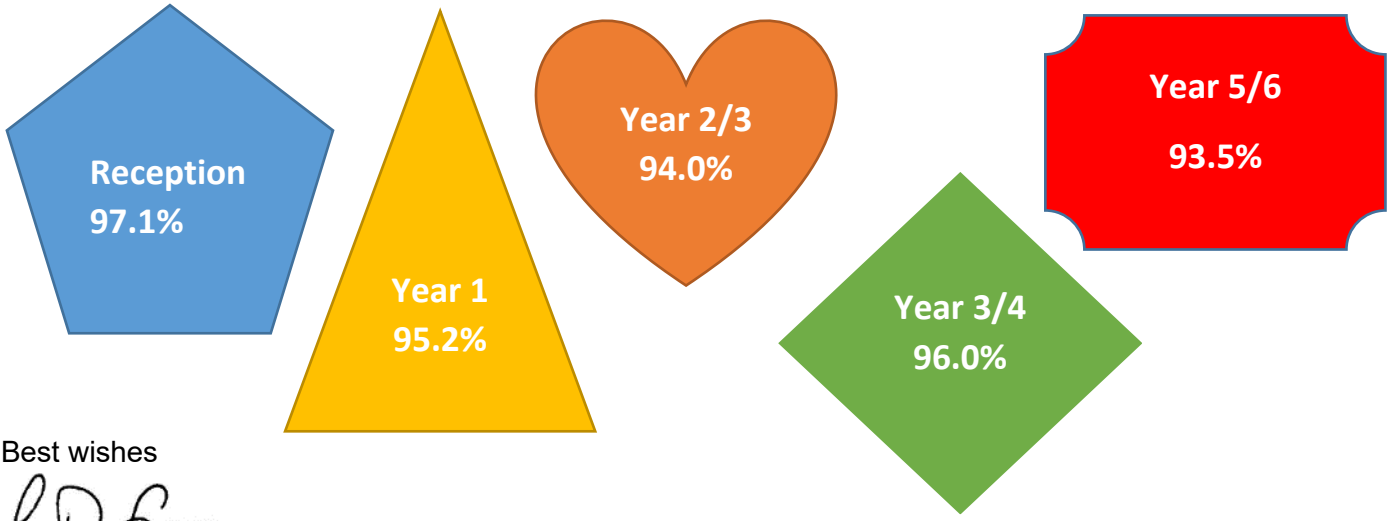
We have made this a legal requirement through the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Act 2026 and intend to lay additional regulations extending this duty to maintained nursery schools.
Going forward, there will be 2 categories of benefits-based free school meals:

- **Targeted FSM**, which continues to be based on the existing threshold, covering pupils in households in receipt of Universal Credit with annual household earnings of £7,400 or less
- **Expanded FSM**, a new category covering pupils who do not qualify for targeted FSM, but who are in households receiving Universal Credit

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 group –



Best wishes

Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

COMMUNICATION SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE		
Poppies for sale	Email	Everyone
Cadbury World trip	Email	Year 5/6
TTRS Rockstar day	Email	Everyone
Carols at the Mall	Email	Class 5/6

Term dates for 2026/27

TERM 2

Wednesday 11 November	**Remembrance Day**
	New Reception intake 2027 tours 9.30am and 11.15am
Friday 13 November	**Children in Need day**
Monday 16 November	**Parents evening 3.30pm – 6.30pm**
Tuesday 17 November	**Nasal flu vaccinations for children**
Wednesday 18 November	**Parent evening 3.30pm- 6.00pm**
Wednesday 9 December	**Carols at the Mall for class 5/6**
Tuesday 15 December	**Key Stage Carols at St Peter's Church 6.30pm**
Wednesday 16 December	**Christmas lunch and jumper day**
Friday 18 December	**End of Term 2**

TERM 3

Monday 4 January	**Start of Term 3**
Friday 12 February	**End of Term 3**

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 2 Clubs

CLUB	DAY	TIME	RUN BY	WHO FOR?	HOW TO SIGN UP	COST	STARTS	ENDS
Chess	Friday	Lunchtime 12.30pm-1pm	Mr BM	KS2	Arbor	free	06/11/2026	18/12/2026
Football	Tuesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	03/11/2026	15/12/2026
Dance	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	R - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	04/11/2026	16/12/2026