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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025 – NEWSLETTER NO 03

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 27 September



Friday 04 October

SIAMS INSPECTION

We had our SIAMS (church school) inspection today. You will have received a letter outlining the inspection at the beginning of this week. Our inspector Ruth Williams will have met some of you this morning as you brought the children to school. The report will be made available to parents within the next three weeks and as soon as we receive it.



SCHOOL PARLIAMENT 2024/25

Congratulations to our newly elected class who will be working very hard for St Peter's. Parliament will have 2 main priorities: to promote Character Education and to make sure everyone is safe in school with a focus on e-safety. Congratulations!

The whole School also voted for the two senior roles of Parliament. Charlie was elected President and Ethan, Vice-President.



YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL VISIT TO PARIS, FRANCE

The Year 6's had a marvellous time in Paris, France on their residential trip. We shared our visit this year with Almondsbury and all got on brilliantly throughout the week. We left Almondsbury very early to get to the Eurotunnel on our journey through the south of England and northern France. A quick tour of the surroundings and then to the rooms to unpack and sleep.



Tuesday morning saw the group visit the local market town of Brie Comte Robert. After the completion of the town trail and seeing the sights it was time to buy some very priceless souvenirs. The next stop was the huge Carrefour and the chance to purchase some French sweets and chocolates to take home. The afternoon sessions were adventurous activities of orienteering, team challenge and sensory trail. The children thoroughly enjoyed the latter walking around the planned trail with their thick blindfolds on having to rely on their group of friends to lead the way. The evening was filled with a visit to a snail farm to learn all about how snails are bred and raised for the vast market in France and the globe for these delicacies.



It was a gloriously sunny day as we set off for Paris on Wednesday, starting with a walk up and down the 1340 steps to the second floor of the Eiffel Tower. We all made it up without stopping and for some being very brave of how high we were going. The clear blue skies made it perfect to see the sights of Paris. After that the River Seine beckoned and a trip on the Bateaux Parisian. The children were superbly behaved and so quiet going around the Musee d'Orsay to look at some precious art from Van Gogh, Monet, Renior and others. It was then onto the coach and back to the chateau for dinner.



Thursday is Disney day on the trip, and the children certainly were excited when they saw the signs at the entrance to the park. Despite being extremely busy we managed a full day of rides especially the two favourites of Hyperspace Mountain and Big Thunder Mountain. The visit to the shop and the Disney Stars Parade were a fitting end to a fun packed visit. A great day was had by all! There was a special treat at dinner for those who wanted to sample the snails in garlic butter. Over half of the children did so. Some actually liked them and had quite a few! The evening disco saw the children (and adults) throwing some great moves. Sadly it was then time to pack to go home.



Our final part of the trip was a visit to the chocolate factory at Lascelle. Here we saw how the chocolate was made and moulded into the various delights that were on sale in the shop. It was a tough decision as to what to buy, however everyone chose their chocolates in the end.

It was a fabulous trip with many wonderful memories made and what a great way to start the school year. Thank you to all the adults who accompanied the children and kept them entertained and safe throughout the week – Mr B-M and I also had a great time as the children were a credit to themselves and our school with their enthusiasm and wonderful behaviour. There were many comments from members of the public on how well behaved the children were in Brie, Paris and at Disney. Well done to all of them so being brilliantly behaved.

There are many more photos on the school website on the year 6 classes page & some camp reviews from the children attached.

DINOSAUR THEME DAY MENU



The children thoroughly enjoyed Dinosaur Day theme menu – class 1 came stomping into the hall like mini dinosaurs! Alice, our kitchen manager, did a great job of decorating the hatch and the children loved her home-made mask! Pizza was a big hit, Holly said *“the pizza is really good”* and Louis said *“I like the pizza, wedges & the peas”*

HARVEST FESTIVAL – TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER



It is nearly time for our annual Harvest Festival. As usual we would appreciate donations for the Harvest display, which will be set up in the Hall. Once again this year we have decided to aid a charity that is close to us. We will be asking you to provide tinned or packet goods for the charity **Turnaround**. The goods will be displayed alongside the loaves of bread provided by the local Down's Bakery. Please send a donation in with your child on the **Tuesday 8 October in the morning**. Many thanks in advance.

Please see the list of items that are recommended: Coffee, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Potatoes, Custard, Nappies, Toilet Rolls, Shampoo & Toiletries, Pasta, Cereal, Tea bags, Baked Beans. No fresh produce please.

E-SAFETY PARENTAL NEWSLETTER

This month's focus on the parental e-safety newsletter is centred on the risks of mobile phones to children and young people's mental health and the guidance that mobile phone providers are now suggesting for parents restricting use for children. It also features information on Instagram and age limits as well as supervision of usage.

ADVICE FROM NHS

It's official. Germ season is here! This time of year is notorious for the spreading of bugs and illnesses particularly in children in childcare settings and schools. It can sometimes be confusing for parents and careers to understand when they should keep children at home and when its ok to let them attend school. Getting lots of bugs isn't necessarily a bad thing for young children. In many (not all) illnesses exposure is necessary in order for the immune system to be able to protect them. That said, it can be miserable when you have a constant stream of coughs and colds brought into your home making everyone poorly.



CHICKENPOX CHILD SHOULD STAY HOME UNTIL ALL SPOTS HAVE CRUSTED OVER	CONJUNCTIVITIS NO NEED TO STAY OFF SCHOOL/NURSERY BUT STAFF SHOULD BE INFORMED.	DIARRHOEA & VOMITING 48 HOURS FROM LAST EPISODE	SCARLET FEVER 24 HOURS AFTER STARTING ANTIBIOTICS	SLAPPED CHEEK NO NEED TO STAY OFF SCHOOL/NURSERY BUT STAFF SHOULD BE INFORMED.	WHOOPING COUGH 48 HOURS AFTER STARTING ANTIBIOTICS
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FREE ONLINE COURSES



Free online courses for all parents, carers, grandparents and teens

Nurturing emotional health and wellbeing from bump to 19+ years

South Gloucestershire Council, in partnership with the Solihull Approach, offer free access to online courses expertly designed for parents, carers, grandparents and teens living in the region.

Sign up to understand your child's feelings, as well as your own, as you go through life as a family. Learn to understand the changes in your child's development and how to support them, whilst also strengthening your relationship.

How to sign up:

Residents can access these courses for free by entering the South Gloucestershire Access Code: **CONCORDE** at inourplace.co.uk



BRISTOL SPORTS CHARITY EVENT SERIES

Bristol Sport Group Charities (Bristol Sport Foundation, Robins Foundation, Bristol Bears Community Foundation, and Bristol Flyers Community) launched our new 2024/25 Event Series which will raise vital funds to help us help tackle the deep-rooted inequalities faced by children, young people and their communities across the city of Bristol. Having witnessed either first-hand the tremendous impact of our programmes, sports clubs and holiday camps we'd love you to get involved in the Events Series to help us continue making an impact.

There are seven incredible challenges, from the Schneider Electric Paris Marathon 2025 in April to the Bristol Inflatable 5k. So, if you fancy running down the Champs-Élysées like the Olympians or bouncing around North Somerset Showground on the World's biggest inflatable obstacle course with your friends, family or colleagues then get involved. We would also appreciate it if you could share the news of the Event Series with the colleagues, families, and children at your school, to help us in raising funds for the collective work of the group charities.

Entries at a reduced price are already open for Bath Half-Marathon and Bristol Inflatable 5k as well as the Schneider Electric Paris Marathon 2025 on Sunday, April 13th, 2025. Please see the links to enter below, with further information shown in the graphic. If you have any questions, please contact [@Hannah Davis-Coward](#), who will be happy to support.

[ENTER THE PARIS MARATHON HERE](#)

[ENTER THE BATH HALF-MARATHON HERE](#)

[ENTER THE BRISTOL INFLATABLE 5K HERE](#)

The graphic is a promotional poster for the Bristol Sport Group Charities Event Series 2024/25. It features a dark blue background with a collage of photos showing people participating in various activities. The text 'BRISTOL SPORT GROUP CHARITIES' is at the top, followed by 'EVENT SERIES' in large white letters with '24/25' written in a handwritten style. Below this, there are two columns of event names, each preceded by a red circular icon with a white plus sign. The events listed are: Paris Marathon, Bath Half Marathon, Great Bristol Run, Tough Mudder, Bristol Inflatable 5k, Royal Parks London Half Marathon, and Bristol Bungee Jump. At the bottom, there are logos for 'ONE GROUP. ONE GOAL.', 'ROBINS', 'BEARS', and 'FLYERS', along with the website 'bristol sport.enthuse.com' and the slogan 'ONE GROUP. ONE GOAL. A better future for all.'

PANDAS WRAPAROUND CARE CLUB



£7.50 per child attending a Friday session. Breakfast club continues to operate 7.30-8.40am Monday – Friday. Bookings and payments should be made via Arbor.

As a reminder, After-school club is now running from **3.20-6pm Monday to Friday** as a result of us receiving some government grant funding to support working parents in providing childcare from 8am-6pm Monday – Friday. There is a special introductory rate of

The clubs are intended to be a relaxing environment for the children and therefore are not formally structured. There is a variety of activities for the children to participate in. Arts & crafts are always available along with a large variety of games and puzzles, role play, dressing up etc. We also take the children outside to play (weather permitting) and sporadically put on a film or suitable children's TV programme or allow the children to have short sessions on the school i-Pads accessing educational Apps. We seek feedback from the children on the activities they would like to participate in to ensure it is child-led.

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>

FUNDRAISING FOR THE SCHOOL

Want to help raise money for the school? Here are 5 ways you can help:



ASDA REWARD APP – If you nominate us as your chosen school on the ASDA rewards app they will donate 0.5% of your spend to us. It doesn't affect your own cashpots & it's very easy to do.

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.



TESCO COMMUNITY GRANTS

We have been selected to receive a community grant from Tesco. Customers receive a token each time they shop and can vote for 1 of 3 causes. This is open from the first week in October 2024 until mid-January 2025. The cause that comes in 1st place with the highest number of tokens will receive £1500, 2nd place will receive £1000 & 3rd place will receive £500. Please see the attached a flyer with more information on the participating stores.

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

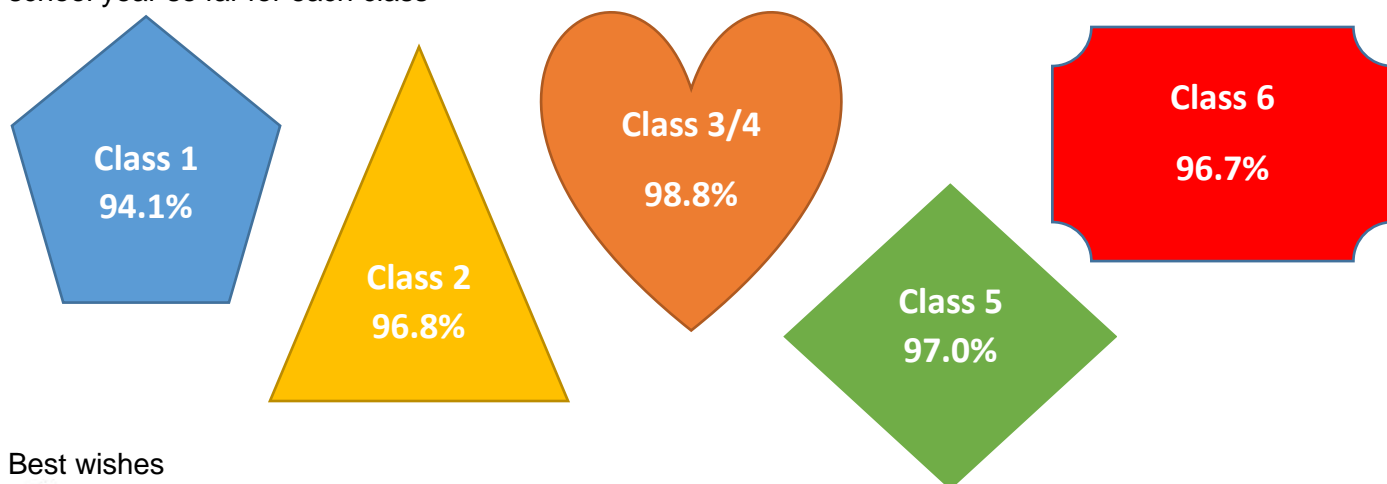
Universal Infant Free School Meals are available to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This means that regardless of household income your child can have a hot meal every day provided by school, free of charge.

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 class –



Best wishes

Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

COMMUNICATION SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE		
SIAMs letter	Everyone	Information
Bikeability	Year 5	Action

Term dates for 2024/25

TERM 1

Tuesday 8 October	Harvest Festival
Friday 11 October	Year 6 visit to Lifeskills Centre, Bristol
Monday 14 October	Selected Year 5 & 6 pupils at Bristol gymnastics centre AM
Monday 21 October	New parents' tours for Reception intake 2025 1.00pm and 2.00pm
Thursday 24 October	Last day of Term 1 for pupils
Friday 25 October	INSET DAY – School closed to all pupils

TERM 2

Monday 4 November	Start of Term 2 for all pupils
Thursday 7 November	New parents' tours for Reception intake 2025 1.00pm and 2.00pm
Monday 11 November	Remembrance Day
Tuesday 12 November	Individual photos
Wednesday 13 November	New parents' tours for Reception intake 2025 9.30am and 11.00am
Friday 15 November	Children in Need day
Monday 18 November	Nasal flu vaccines for pupils 3.30pm – 6.30pm Parents Evening
Wednesday 20 November	3.30pm – 6.30pm Parents Evening
Thursday 28 November	Year 6 NCMP screening
Wednesday 11 December	KS1 Nativity (evening, time TBC)
Thursday 12 December	KS1 Nativity (morning, time TBC)
Tuesday 17 December	KS2 Carols at St Peter's 6.30pm
Wednesday 18 December	Christmas Lunch day
Friday 20 December	End of Term 2

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Monday 2 September 2024	Friday 25 October 2024
Term 2	Monday 4 November 2024	Friday 20 December 2024
Term 3	Monday 6 January 2025	Friday 14 February 2025
Term 4	Monday 24 February 2025	Friday 4 April 2025
Term 5	Tuesday 22 April 2025	Friday 23 May 2025
Term 6	Monday 2 June 2025	Tuesday 22 July 2025
INSET DAYS	Monday 2 September 2024 Friday 25 October 2024 Monday 2 June 2025 Tuesday 3 June 2025 Plus 1 other date to be confirmed	

Term 1 Clubs

CLUB	DAY	TIME	RUN BY	WHO FOR?	HOW TO SIGN UP	COST	STARTS	ENDS
Tag Rugby	Monday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Mrs Bell & Miss Daly	Yr3 - Yr6	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	09/09/2024	21/10/2024
Chess	Thursday	Lunchtime 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Mr Baykaa- Murray	all students	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	05/09/2024	24/10/2024
Football	Tuesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	10/09/2024	22/10/2024
Athletics	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	11/09/2024	23/10/2024

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