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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025 – NEWSLETTER NO 04

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 11 October



Friday 18 October

LIFESKILLS

Year 6 visited Lifeskills in Bristol, which aims to show children how to take personal responsibility for their own safety. Children learnt how to assess risk and cope with difficult situations by taking part in 19 realistic, interactive activities. Volunteer Guides took small groups of children around the realistic village to experience a number of difficult or dangerous situations. Children had to work together to decide how to overcome each problem and had the opportunity to learn from their mistakes in a safe environment. The children thoroughly enjoyed the morning and gained valuable knowledge and practical skills that can be transferred to everyday life.



GYMNASTICS COMPETITION

Children from Year 5 and 6 took part in a gymnastics competition against for other schools form South Gloucestershire and Bristol. Two of the competitors were our highest scorers for their respective levels.

Level 1 highest scorer – Harley (Y6); Level 2 highest scorer – Zara (Y6).

They both received two free tickets to a home fixture at Ashton Gate Stadium for either a Bristol Bears, Bristol City Men's or Bristol City Women's game. Congratulations to all of the children who took part.



TAG RUGBY

On Friday 11 October we entered a year 3 team into the annual Thornbury Tag Rugby Festival. They played 4 matches and for some it was the first time they had played rugby. Despite this, the teams picked up the game remarkably quickly, they worked incredibly well in their teams, encouraging one another and playing with amazing determination and grit in both attacking and defending. All the players showed good team spirit and enthusiasm as well as determination. Great work St Peter's!



HARVEST FESTIVAL



Our Harvest festival went very well with the children singing beautifully. We focused this year on the work of the farmers to tend the land and harvest the crops that we eat and how thankful we should be for this. The harvest display looked fulsome with tinned and packet goods alongside the harvest loaves.

Thank you for all your generous donations for the Harvest Festival. The items have been greatly received by the Bristol charity Turnaround. Thank you to Downs Bakery in Severn Beach for their donation of the harvest loaves this year. The loaves were shared during the afternoon with all of the pupils, they were delicious!



WELCOME

We welcomed Mrs Beth Allen to our staff team yesterday as the job share class teacher for Year 6 working with Mr BM and the children while Miss McKenzie is on her maternity leave. Mrs Allen is an experienced teacher and had a great first couple of days at St Peter's.

SCHOOL LUNCHES



Our catering provider AiP have finalised their new menu for the Autumn/Winter which will be served from Monday 4 November. The menu is based upon favourite and familiar children's meals and is available on the website. These meals are available to book through Arbor in the usual way. The cost for a meal for KS2 children will increase to **£2.60** per day from the same date. This price increase is the first in over 2 years and has been kept to a minimum considering the food inflation that has occurred recently. There are lots of exciting themed day menus planned over the next few terms which you will be advised of as the dates approach. These are also available to book on Arbor. If you have any feedback regarding the catering service, please do pass it on via the office.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

October is Black History Month across the UK. The children have had the opportunity to look at inspirational people from black and mixed heritage backgrounds that have had a significant influence not only here in the UK, but also across the world. During our Collective Worship, they have learned about people such as John Blanke, a trumpeter in Henry VIII's court; Rosa Parks, a civil rights activist; Lilian Bader, the first Mixed Heritage British woman to join the British Armed forces during the Second World War and Barack Obama, the first African American President of the United States.



FOSP CHRISTMAS MARKET

On Thursday 5th December 5pm – 7.30pm the Friends of St Peter's will be holding a Christmas market. If you would like a stall (or know anyone who may be interested) please contact the friends friendsofstpetersprimary@outlook.com. More details to follow...



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>

Congratulations to HURRICANE!
You can come in non-school uniform
on Thursday 24th October.



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.

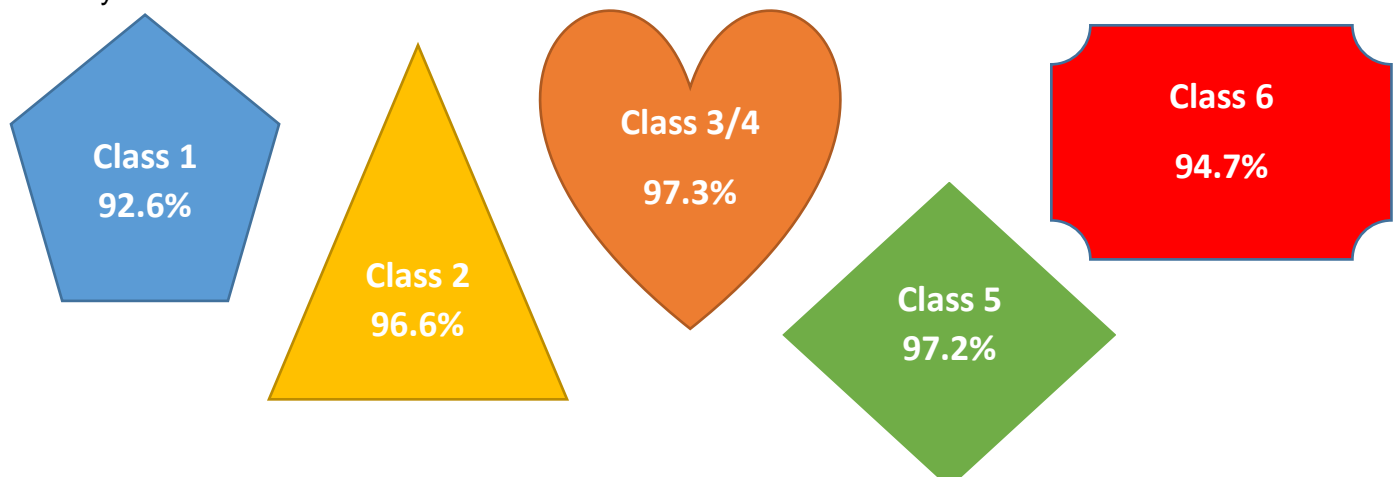


TESCO COMMUNITY GRANTS

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.

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

Year 6 library card	Email	Information/Action
Year 6 admissions letter for year 6	Email	Action

Term dates for 2024/25

TERM 1

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
Thursday 5 December FOSP Christmas market 5.00pm – 7.30pm
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 2 Clubs

CLUB	DAY	TIME	RUN BY	WHO FOR?	HOW TO SIGN UP	COST	STARTS	ENDS
Chess	Thursday	Lunchtime 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Mr Bayka- Murray	KS2	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	07/11/2024	19/12/2024
Football	Tuesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	05/11/2024	17/12/2024
Dance	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	06/11/2024	18/12/2024

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