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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025 – NEWSLETTER NO 07

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to these children who received the Star of the Week Award from their class teachers over the last 2 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 13 December



EYFS & KS1 "THE BIG LITTLE NATIVITY"

EYFS and KS1 had a brilliant time performing their nativity 'The Big Little Nativity'. It was so lovely to be able to perform in St Peter's Church and invite you all to join us in enjoying the children's joy of performing. There were a lot of lines for the children to remember but they did an amazing job and the acting was fantastic. The singing was brilliant as well with all the children trying their very best and putting on a great performance! Well done EYFS and KS1!



We raised a massive **£200.57** for the Home Start Bristol and South Gloucestershire children's charity at the nativity performances and carol service so thank you all for your very generous donations.

KS2 CAROL SERVICE AT THE CHURCH

Once again, the KS2 children sang with great aplomb and performed brilliantly to their parents, who were packed into St Peter's Church. The readers were very clear in telling the Christmas story from Bible readings and then singing carols and songs that fitted perfectly with the readings. They all should be congratulated on their learning of the carols and singing so superbly. The videos of their performance can be found on the website <https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=49>



YEAR 5 CAROLS AT THE MALL, CRIBBS CAUSEWAY AND ASDA

The year 5's have been in high demand with two performances this fortnight. One with the Bridge Schools at The Mall singing Christmas carols beautifully with all the other year 5's from the schools. They all looked so angelic standing on the stairs performing to members of the public as well as their parents.



They also made a special guest appearance at Asda in Cribbs. The store has supported us very well over this year and we were delighted to sing for them when asked. The children were also treated to a little snack and drink for their singing. They also raised a fantastic £109.65 in donations to add to our trip fund. Well done Year 5. The videos of their performance as Asda is on the year 5 class page <https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Carols+at+ASDA&pid=270>

JINGLE BALL DANCE EVENT



A group of children from years 3 & 4 went to the Bristol Sport Jingle Ball dance event this week. They danced with 3 other schools and completed 2 dance workshops. They represented the school marvellously and Willow even got star performer! Well done Willow and all the girls who took part. The video of their performance is on the year 3/4 class page <https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Jingle+Ball+Dance+Event&pid=269>

CHRISTMAS DINNER



It's that time of year again where we celebrate with our traditional Christmas lunch. Thank you to Kirsty and Alice in the kitchen for their wonderful cooking. The children had a great time singing along to the Christmas music and eating their Christmas lunch. Thank you once again to Mrs Lewton and her mum for the donation of the Christmas crackers. Well done to those children who won the placemat competition and were awarded with a selection box by our catering provider AiP. There is a video of the dinner hall on the school website <https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=50>

FOSP CHRISTMAS MARKET

The FOSP christmas market was a huge success and raised **£940!** Thank you to everyone who came and thank you to the Friends of St Peter's for all their hard work in making it such a success.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS FROM SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNCIL

The Christmas holidays are fast approaching, and for some families this could bring about some worries due to the pressures of finances, keeping the children entertained and occupied etc, so we have shared some links and resources to pass onto families ahead of this time.

Resources

- [Financial support for residents | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council.](#)
- Financial Support Flyer (attached).
- [Community welcome spaces | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council.](#)
- [School holiday activities and food programme | South Gloucestershire](#) Also, libraries offer warm spaces as well as activities and events, [Libraries | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council.](#)
- Foodbanks - [Get emergency food | Trussell.](#)
- [inourplace | Solihull Approach – South Gloucestershire | inourplace](#) - free online courses (e-modules) for all parents, carers, grandparents and teens, nurturing emotional health and wellbeing from bump to 19+ years. **This is an online self-navigation parenting course, which can be accessed via this link.*

FOODBANK

<https://www.bristolnorthwestfoodbank.org.uk/>

If you need help from our local foodbank please get in touch with the office, it is highly confidential and very simple process. If you have any questions please speak to Jemma in the office.



APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOOL PLACES IN SEPTEMBER 2025

If you have a child who was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021, you must apply for them to start primary school in September 2023. Applications for primary school admission must be submitted no later than **15 January 2025**. If you live in South Gloucestershire online applications can be made by following this link <https://find-information-for-adults-children-families.southglos.gov.uk/kb5/southglos/directory/advice.page;jsessionid=5D07B22CA2CEF2CCFE00440153D700EE?id=GLu6GUIMkpw&familychannel=2-2&channel=family>

If you live outside of South Gloucestershire applications must be made via the local authority of the area you live in.

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 4 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.

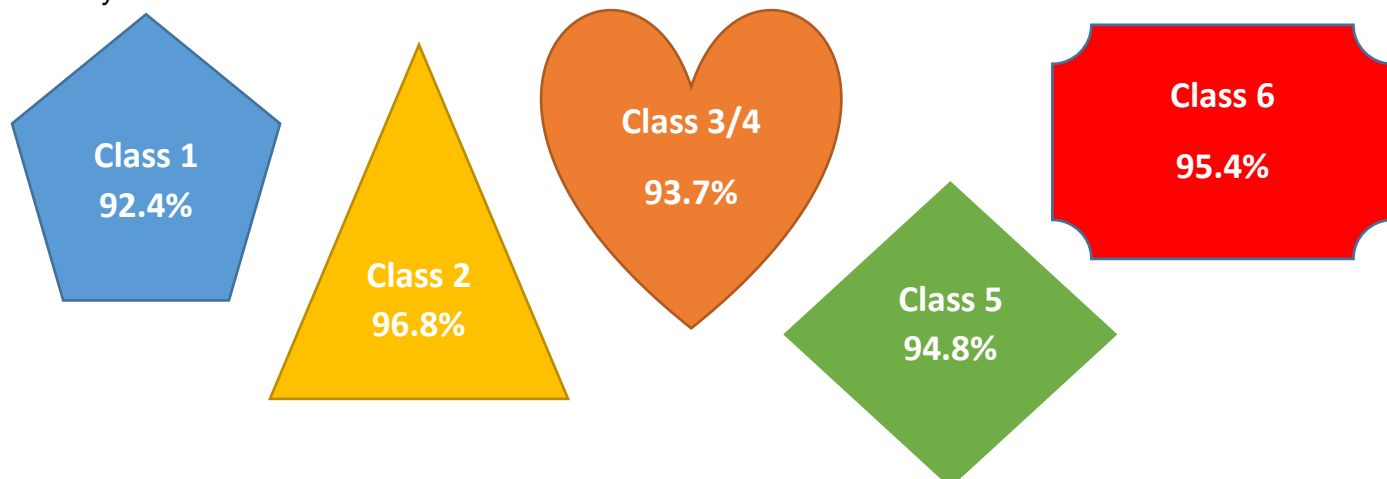


TESCO COMMUNITY GRANTS

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 –



Everyone at St Peter's would like to wish all parents and families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2025 on Monday 6 January 2025 for the start of our new term.



Best wishes

Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

COMMUNICATION SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE

Clubs – term 3	Email	Everyone - Information
Special diet information	Email	Everyone – information/action
NCMP & Vision screening	Email	Reception

Term dates for 2024/25

TERM 3

Monday 6 January	Start of Term 3
Thursday 9 January	Whole school cricket coaching session – all need PE kit today
Monday 13 January	Year 3 and 4 start weekly ukelele lessons
Wednesday 15 January	Year 5 and 6 Sportshall Challenge Events at Yate Academy (selected team)
Monday 20 January	Year 5 and 6 Bristol Flyers Basketball Event (selected team)
Friday 17 January	Orchestra session for key stage 2
Tuesday 21 January	Year 5 pedestrian training session for road safety
Friday 24 January	Books at Bedtime at 5.00pm
Friday 7 February	NSPCC Number Day for EYFS and KS1
Thursday 13 February	2.40pm Singing square in the Hall invited EYFS and KS1 parents
	End of Term 3
Friday 14 February	INSET DAY – school closed to pupils

TERM 4

Monday 24 February	Start of Term 4
Thursday 6 March	World Book Day with Special Lunch Menu
Monday 10 March	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 7.00pm
Wednesday 12 March	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 7.00pm
Friday 21 March	Comic Relief Day
	Year 5 and 6 visit to Bristol
Monday 24 March	Year 3 and 4 ukelele performance to parents (time to be confirmed)
	Year 3 swimming at Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre starts every afternoon for the fortnight
Friday 4 April	End of Term 4

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 Friday 14 February 2025 Monday 2 June 2025 Tuesday 3 June 2025	

Term 3 Clubs

CLUB	DAY	TIME	RUN BY	WHO FOR?	HOW TO SIGN UP	COST	STARTS	ENDS
Choir	Tuesday	Lunchtime (fortnightly) 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Miss Bagienska	everyone	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	14/01/2025	11/02/2025
Chess	Thursday	Lunchtime 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Mr Baykaa- Murray	KS2	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	09/01/2025	13/02/2025
Football	Tuesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	07/01/2025	11/02/2025
Gymnastics	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	08/01/2025	12/02/2025

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