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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025 – NEWSLETTER NO 10

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 24 January



Friday 31 January

GOODBYE BARNEY!



This week, St Peter's said farewell to Barney from Bristol Sports who is leaving us to go on a foreign adventure to Hong Kong with his partner. Barney has been with us for three and half years and has provided the children with amazing PE sessions, sports opportunities against other school and mentoring. We thank him for all he has done for our school and wish him well in the future.

BRISTOL SPORTS FLYERS COMPETITION



On Monday 20th January 11 children attended the Bristol Sports basketball competition at the Wise Campus in Filton. 7 schools attended and we came 6th out of 7th. We were awarded the fair play trophy for our resilience, effort and fantastic sportsmanship. Huddy was also awarded tickets and a certificate for most valuable player. The children were an absolute credit to the school and another school commented on what a nice bunch they were. All the children had loads of game time and it was an absolute pleasure to attend with them. Miss Wright.

BRISTOL SPORTS NETBALL COMPETITION

On Monday 27th January a team of year 5 and 6 children travelled to Clifton Sports Ground to take part in a netball competition organised by Bristol Sports.

There were 6 schools taking part, we played all 6 schools then a final to decide the winners, the children all played their very best especially as some of the children had never played netball before so quickly had to learn the positions and the rules.

Well done to all that took part they were amazing and had a lot of fun.



KS2 KURLING COMPETITION



On Monday 27th January, Mrs. Cannock went with some KS2 children to Yate Academy for a New Age Kurling tournament. This is a target game based on the ice-kurling, where stones have ball bearings on the bottom to allow them to move across a hard floor. The children looked super-smart in our school's sports kit and stood out amongst other players. They took part in 5 games against a variety of local schools, using teamwork and aiming at a target. They won 3 games, lost 1 and drew 1. All our children displayed great sportsmanship and a wonderful attitude.

CHINESE NEW YEAR



The children loved the Chinese New Year special menu this week, they said:

"the curry is lovely!" and "we love the fortune cookies!"

The kitchen staff decorated the kitchen hatch and even wore hats!

BOOKS AT BEDTIME

We all had a wonderful time on Friday 24th January with our annual 'books at bedtime' event. Children returned to school at 5pm in their pyjamas, with a teddy and a blanket. We held 2 reading sessions, in the EYFS/Year 1 class and the Year 3/4 class. The children were read a variety of stories by teachers (also in their pyjamas!). This was followed by a delicious cup of hot chocolate and biscuits provided by the Friends of St Peters. We hope your children enjoyed it as much as we did. Mrs. Liz Cannock



SPORTS KIT



Do you have any of our sports kit at home? We are missing a few. If you could drop them into the office if you have any, that would be great!

CHANGE TO PE LESSONS FOR THE LAST WEEK OF TERM

For the last week of term Class 1 & 2 will swap their PE day from Tuesday to Wednesday. Class 3/4, 5 & 6 will swap their PE day from Wednesday to Tuesday.

KNITTING CLUB

Knitting club with Mrs Lewis & Mrs Cannock has got off to a great start. The children have picked it up really well and even Mr Smith has joined us. We will be starting to make an Easter surprise from next week - watch this space for an update!



CLASS 1 & 2 NUMBERS DAY



We are excited to inform you that on Friday 7th February we will be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day with all the children in EYFS and Key stage 1. Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it. We will be spending the day completing exciting maths activities, including listening to stories based on numbers, playing number games, solving maths puzzles and doing some building based around number. Please could your child please bring in a small bag of recycled materials/ boxes to use and build with on the day. The children are welcome to dress up in

anything related to numbers. (football shirt, cap, netball shirt or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme.

To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a suggested donation of a silver or gold coin, and we'd love everyone in EYFS and Key Stage 1 to take part in this special event. We're really looking forward to all the fun of Number Day, and we really appreciate your support. All the money we raise at St Peter's Primary School will make an enormous difference to children today and help the NSPCC be there for children tomorrow.

SCHOOL DISCO – THURSDAY 13TH FEBRUARY



The friends of St Peter's are holding a disco on Thursday 13th February.

Class 1 & 2 – 5pm-6pm

Class 3/4, 5 & 6 – 6.15pm-7.15pm

Tickets will be £4.00 each and FOSP will be selling them after school over the next 2 weeks. A card machine will be available at this time but it will be cash only from the office please.

If you would like to volunteer to help please let the office or FOSP know. friendsofstpetersprimary@outlook.com Thank you

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

In these difficult times, we would like to remind you that your child may be eligible for Free School Meals. Please check out this link www.southglos.gov.uk/schoolmeals. This even applies to children in Reception and KS1 who are already entitled to Universal Free School Meals as this brings in additional funding to support your child.

SINGING SQUARE



Parents of children in class 1 & 2 children are invited in to watch the singing square at the end of term 3, Thursday 13th February 2.40pm

SUPPORT FOR PARENTS/CARERS

The local authority has created a set of materials for parents, carers, and family members living in South Gloucestershire, which you have free access to via the link below to expertly designed online learning and resources on nurturing emotional health and wellbeing so that our children can thrive as kind, sociable and emotionally aware people throughout their lives. Please do look through these and take up the offer of workshops. Webpage for parents: <https://inourplace.co.uk/south-gloucestershire/>

HELPFUL WEBSITES

There are a number of websites that will be helpful for each child to investigate to help them with their home learning. This week's website is: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/>

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.



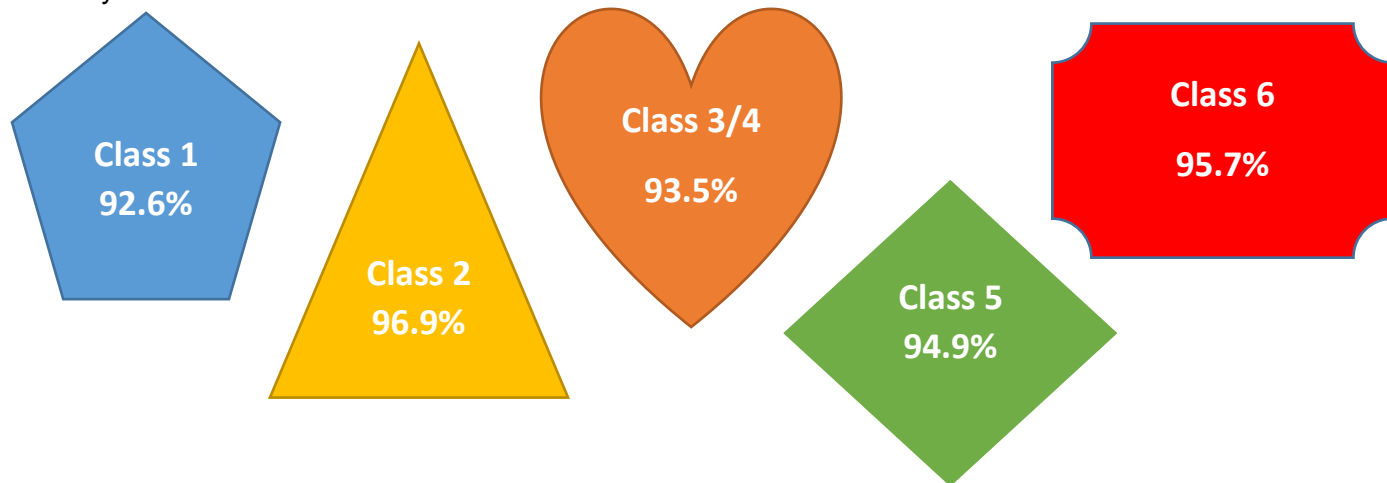
CLOTHING BANK – We have a clothing bank on site, you donate your unwanted clothes and the company pays the Friends of St Peter's money per kg collected.

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.



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

First aid/Medical event information	Email	Everyone
Leavers hoody	Email	Year 6

Term dates for 2024/25

TERM 3

Friday 7 February
Thursday 13 February

NSPCC Number Day for EYFS and KS1
2.40pm Singing square in the Hall invited EYFS and KS1 parents
EYFS/KS1 disco 5pm-6pm
KS2 disco 6.15pm-7.15pm
End of Term 3

Friday 14 February

INSET DAY – school closed to pupils

TERM 4

Monday 24 February
Thursday 6 March
Monday 10 March
Wednesday 12 March
Friday 21 March

Start of Term 4
World Book Day with Special Lunch Menu
Parents Evening 3.30pm – 7.00pm
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Comic Relief Day

Monday 24 March

Year 5 and 6 visit to Bristol
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

2.40pm Singing square in the Hall invited Year 3 and 4 parents
End of Term 4

TERM 5

Tuesday 22 April
Monday 5 May
Monday 12 May

Start of Term 5
Bank Holiday Monday – School closed
Year 6 SAT week

Friday 23 May

2.40pm Singing square in the Hall invited Year 5 and 6 parents
End of Term 4

TERM 6

Monday 2 June
Tuesday 3 June
Wednesday 4 June
Monday 9 June

INSET DAY – School closed to all pupils
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Start of Term 6
Year 1 phonics week
Year 4 MTC week

Tuesday 22 July

2.40pm Singing square on the field invited all parents (weather permitting)
End of Term 6 and school year

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 4 Clubs

CLUB	DAY	TIME	RUN BY	WHO FOR?	HOW TO SIGN UP	COST	STARTS	ENDS
Chess	Thursday	Lunchtime 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Mr Baykaa- Murray	KS2	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	27/02/2025	03/04/2025
Dance	Tuesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	25/02/2025	01/04/2025
Tag Rugby	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	26/02/2025	02/04/2025
Knitting	Thursday	Lunchtime 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Mrs Lewis	Yr6	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	27/02/2025	03/04/2025

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