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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025 – NEWSLETTER NO 12

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to these children who received the Star of the Week Award from their class teachers over the last 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 28 February



Friday 7 March

PARENTS EVENINGS

We are looking forward to sharing with you all that is good about the children next week at the parent meeting sessions. As usually these will be in the hall. You will be able to look through your child's/ren's books, that will be in the classrooms. If you haven't booked then please speak to the office as soon as possible.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Last Friday, on a sunny Spring day we held our own school cross country championships. The children ran through the course with great gusto. Each year group had great competition to strive to be in the top four positions. Well done to those children and everyone for a successful afternoon.



COMIC RELIEF – FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

It is the 40th anniversary of Comic Relief this year. We will be commemorating this by supporting the charity and collecting funds for the good causes they support. The children at School Parliament have decided that we will be 'wearing something red'. That could include red face paint or red hair spray!

WORLD BOOK DAY

We had a great day yesterday with the children (and the staff) dressing up in their finest book character costumes. They came in all shapes and sizes, dragons, knights, Alice in Wonderland's, Harry Potters, crayons, superheroes, lots of Greg's from Diary of the Wimpy Kid, Queen of Hearts, Mario's and lots more. Thank you for making such an effort. The children also took part in different book related activities throughout the day. There was even a special World Book day lunch to be eaten. Here's a flavour of the costumes with lots more on the website: <https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/gallery/?pid=0&gcatid=2&albumid=63>



PARENTAL E-SAFETY NEWSLETTER

This month's e-safety advice sheets focus on the impact of smart phones on children, which when used excessively can become quite addictive and reduces attention span of children significantly as there must be instant action taking place. It also investigates and discusses the use of AI. There is a feature on TikTok and guidance for parents as well as a link to look at the PANTS materials for safety for children around physical touch.

FRIENDSHIP HOME DISCUSSION SHEET

This term's theme for our Collective Worship is Friendship. 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 Tolerance within our British Values.

JUNIOR BAKE OFF

My name is Kate. I'm a Series Producer at Love Productions; the production company behind **The Great British Bake Off**.

We have recently opened applications for the 11th series of **Junior Bake Off**; a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain.

We are looking for young budding bakers between 9-15 years old.

Filming would take place from July 2025, but our applications close on Sunday 23rd March 2025.

Please do feel free to contact us on 0207 067 4833, should you have any questions regarding the above.

Interested bakers can apply online at - www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk

INFORMATION FROM PRICE & BUCKLAND – UNIFORM SUPPLIER



We are excited to announce that our new website will be launching on **11th February**. To help parents and guardians' transition smoothly, we have produced a flyer (which is shown here). Parents who have ordered from us previously will need to re-set their password and they can use the same password as before. Parents, who are new to Price & Buckland, will need to register as usual.

The new website will give parents the following benefits:

- Parents with children at different schools will be able to order from multiple schools with ease.
- Parents will be able to spread payment across 3 months through Klarna.
- Parents will be prompted how close they are to the free delivery threshold.
- Parents will have more payment options with the introduction of Apple Pay and Google Pay.

Below is the new web address and direct link to your school's new uniform 'shop'.

<https://price-buckland.co.uk/st-peters-primary-school>

<https://youtu.be/-wg3-jEq0Pg>

Please note that you can receive free delivery for any value of order to the school. You just need to scroll down to the end of the order page to select this option.



MOBILE PHONES

Some children in years 5 and 6 have been given permission to bring in mobile phones to school and stored safely throughout the day. The conditions for allowing mobile phones in school are as follows:

1. As soon as the children enter the school grounds (through the car park gates), phones are in bags.
2. Upon entering the classroom, phones are immediately handed over to class teacher for safe keeping. They will be stored in the class cupboard.
3. Children's phones will be returned at the end of the day.
4. Children are not permitted to take out their phones until they leave the school ground (through the car park gates).

On several occasions, some children are abusing rule number 4. **If they are caught in future abusing the rules, they will be banned from being in their mobile phones.**

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We would like to remind you that your child may be eligible for Free School Meals. Please check your eligibility by following this link www.southglos.gov.uk/schoolmeals. This also applies to children in Reception and KS1 (who are already entitled to Universal Free School Meals) as this brings in additional funding to the school to support your child.

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: KS2 Science - BBC Bitesize

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.



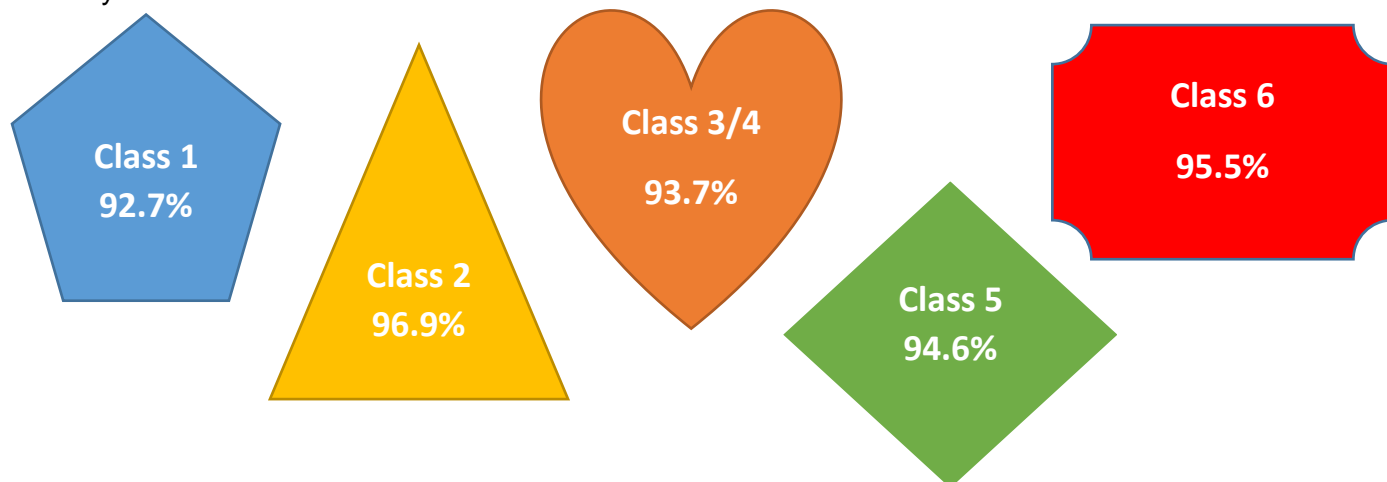
CLOTHING BANK – We have a clothing bank on site, you donate your unwanted clothes and the company pays the Friends of St Peter's money per kg collected.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P.D.S.'.

Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

COMMUNICATION SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE

World Book Day	Email	Everyone
Parents evening information	Email	Everyone
Savage Martial Arts	Email	Everyone

Term dates for 2024/25

TERM 4

Monday 10 March	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 7.00pm
Wednesday 12 March	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6.30pm
Friday 21 March	Comic Relief Day
	Year 5 and 6 visit to Bristol
Monday 24 March	Year 3 (& year 6 catch up) swimming at Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre starts every afternoon for the fortnight
	Book Fair all week in the hall after school
Wednesday 2 April	Year 3/4 ukulele performance for parents 9.30am
Friday 4 April	2.40pm Singing square in the Hall Year 3 and 4 parents invited
	End of Term 4

TERM 5

Tuesday 22 April	Start of Term 5
Monday 5 May	Bank Holiday Monday – School closed
Monday 12 May	Year 6 SAT week
Friday 23 May	2.40pm Singing square in the Hall Year 5 and 6 parents invited
	End of Term 4

TERM 6

Monday 2 June	INSET DAY – School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 3 June	INSET DAY – School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 4 June	Start of Term 6
Monday 9 June	Year 1 phonics week
	Year 4 MTC week
Tuesday 22 July	2.40pm Singing square on the field all parents invited (weather permitting)
	End of Term 6 and school year

Term	Starts	Ends
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 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.**