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Dear Parents/Carers,

## SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025 – NEWSLETTER NO 13

### 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 14 March



Friday 21 March

### COMIC RELIEF

We all had a great day celebrating red nose day and the charities that benefit from our fund raising. Whilst Year 5 and 6 were on a trip, we held a joke-athon, with those voted the funniest being told in assembly to the whole school! In Year 3 and 4, we held a secret vote, which ended in a tie. 2 children in Year 3 and 4 children in Year 4 had the same number of votes. Towards the end of the day, we met in the playground to play some whole-school games, teachers versus children.

Thank-you for your support and donations, we raised **£73.20!**



## REMINDER WHEN LEAVING THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

The garden beds are not a play area. Several younger children have been seen climbing and jumping around on them without parent supervision. The height of the bed is approximately 1m and a fall could result in some nasty cuts and bruises.

When leaving the school grounds, children (especially the younger children) must be supervised by parents.

Be safe – stay off the garden beds!



## ROMAN ARMY FORMATIONS – YEAR 3/4

The class were set the homework of making a Roman shield and bringing it into school. We discussed tactics, staying safe and protected, as well as protecting your fellow soldiers. They then formed the 'tortoise' and the 'circle'. Photos are on the website.



## JIGSAW

### Join the JIGSAW Jaunt – Fun, Fitness & Fundraising!

Take part in this year's JIGSAW Jaunt on **Saturday 29th March** and enjoy a fun, family-friendly 5km walk around Thornbury. Solve clues, explore local landmarks, and support JIGSAW Thornbury's vital work for families.



- **Join on the day:** Buy a £2 map at JIGSAW Thornbury and complete the walk to receive a **free week's gym membership** at Elite Fitness. Plus, enjoy a **free drink and food** if you return by 2pm!
- **Can't make it?** Buy a map online and complete the walk over Easter. Submit your answers by **13th April** for a chance to **win a month's gym membership!**

No need to pre-book—just turn up and have fun!

Want to know more about JIGSAW Thornbury visit

[www.jigsawthornbury.org.uk](http://www.jigsawthornbury.org.uk)



### 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](http://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.



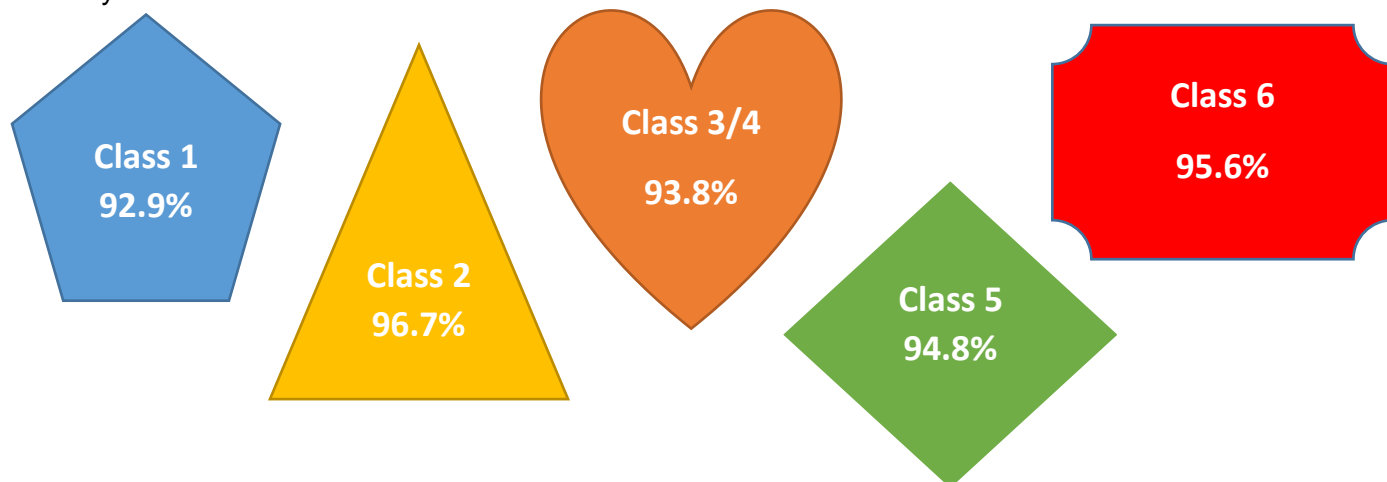
**CLOTHING BANK** – We have a clothing bank on site, you donate your unwanted clothes and the company pays the Friends of St Peter's money per kg collected.

**JOIN THE FRIENDS OF ST PETERS** – Become a member of the FOSP to help with fundraising ideas and events – email [friendsofstpetersprimary@outlook.com](mailto: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**

HAF holiday information	Email	FSM families
Phonics	Email	Year 1
NCMP Post measurement & oral health information	Email	Reception
Parent governor vacancy	Email	Everyone

**Term dates for 2024/25**

**TERM 4**

**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**  
**Friday 4 July** Sports day, followed by celebration afternoon  
**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 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.**