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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025 – NEWSLETTER NO 20

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 11th July



Friday 18th July



SPORTS DAY

What a fantastic sports day! We had a gloriously sunny morning. The children of St Peter's blew us all away with their brilliant running, balancing, jumping and team work throughout. It was great to see the children mixing across year groups in our four houses: Spitfire, Hurricane, Typhoon and Meteor. Well done to the worthy winners Hurricane! They came top with a score of 170 points followed by Meteor with 130 points, Typhoon with 110 points and the Spitfire with 105 points. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, siblings etc. who came along to watch, we hope you had a fantastic day! It was then lovely to see everyone on the field for our families picnic over lunchtime before the children had a chance to share their work with parents on our Celebration afternoon.



GREASE PERFORMANCES

Once again, we were treated to a fantastic performance by our Year 5 and 6 children. The children had practiced their lines, songs and dances to perfection as they performed magnificently to the appreciative audience. Every single one of them sang beautifully and acted superbly.

The scenery and props were well-made. A few special mentions for the children – Casey, Luke, Serah, Tony, George, Zara and Elsie. All of them did brilliantly with their solos; singing with clarity. It made us all very proud of the children and praise that is richly deserved. Well done once again. Thank you to Mr BM, Mrs Allen and Mrs Lewis for staging the production so very well. The children looked fantastic. All the pictures taken of the show will be on the website. We also collected **£236.65** from the performances which has gone towards costumes and other items linked to putting on the show. Thank you for your generosity.



END OF YEAR



The end of the school year has nearly arrived (well it will be on Tuesday!). It has been another fun packed and eventful year: being able to share Christmas plays, the Grease performance and visits for the children to have those enrichment experiences. It was lovely to see so many parents who were able to join us during our Celebration afternoon to see the children's work and what they have achieved over the course of this year.

I would like to thank every one of the staff team for their dedication and brilliance over the past year. They have been true advocates for your children, the school and so supportive of them and each other. I couldn't wish for a better staff group. The children have also

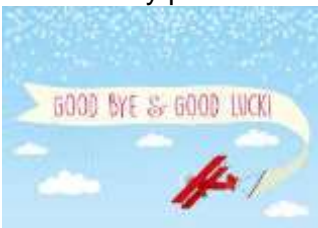
been immense as well. They have coped so well with all of the changes, different teachers, working in different ways and supporting each other as well.

The end of year results have also been excellent this academic year with 90% of children in Year 1's passing the phonics threshold Reception children achieving so well against the Early Learning Goals. The Year 6's achieved so well, despite the changes during the summer term and attained highly above national average, especially in reading, mathematics and grammar at the higher standard. The results were the best for St Peter's at greater depth in a few years. We are very proud of all the children and their continued efforts.

Best wishes for the future to you and to the Year 6's moving on.

They have been a superb group of children demonstrating great resilience and confidence. We will miss them as well.

I hope you all have a lovely summer break and look forward to seeing the majority of you back in September. Thank you to those parents who will not be returning to us, we will miss your support and having you around school.



SINGING SQUARE – TUESDAY 22 JULY 2.40PM

We look forward to seeing you on the field, weather permitting, on Tuesday 22 July from 2.40pm for our final singing square of the school year. Everyone is invited to come along and listen to the children sing and say goodbye to the Year 6's.



CONGRATULATIONS HUGHIE

Hughie took part in the Chessfest tournament in Portishead last weekend and thoroughly enjoyed the experience! Well done, Hughie!



SCHOOL LUNCHES



Our catering provider AiP have finalised their new menu for September which will be served from Tuesday 2nd September. 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 **£2.75** per day from the same date.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



Get ready for a reading adventure! This year's Summer Reading Challenge has started in England and Wales. This year's theme is 'Story Garden'. There are two ways you can take part. You can join the Challenge at your local library. A librarian will give you a special collector's pack and help you find books to read for your Challenge. You'll collect stickers and other rewards along the way! Alternatively, take part in the Challenge online. Set a reading goal and log your

books on your profile. Reach your goal and unlock a limited-edition online badge and a certificate. There are numerous activities linked to the reading challenge and plenty of things to do online and in the local libraries throughout the summer holidays. Please use the website to be able to access all of these and the links to the libraries to identify the times and dates.

SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES OVER THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

There are a number of support offers for families over the summer holidays run or signposted by the local authority. Please see all of these different packages of support with links below.

Financial support/offers

- Information on different ways of getting support with the cost of living rising [Cost of living help | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council \(southglos.gov.uk\)](#)
- [Household support fund | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council \(southglos.gov.uk\)](#)
The government has provided funding for us to support people who are struggling to:
buy food
pay energy bills
cover other essential costs linked to energy and wider essentials (including sanitary products, warm clothing, soap, blankets)
- [Places Kids Eat Free in the Summer Holidays 2024 \(moneysavingcentral.co.uk\)](#) is a website that tells families restaurants where kids eat free throughout the holidays.
- [Financial support and wellbeing | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council \(southglos.gov.uk\)](#)

Young people's mental health

- **Off The Record:** Free, self-referral counselling service for young people age 11-15, who are experiencing low mood, depression, anxiety, phobias, self-harm, eating problems and/or anger. Young people can call, email or text, and services operate in Patchway, Kingswood and Yate. Also offer parent support groups and sessions. Can also see [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) for more information and up to date groups and activities.
Tel: 0808 808 9120. Text: 07896 880011. Website: [Home - OTR \(otrbristol.org.uk\)](#) Email: hello@otrbristol.org.uk
- **Kooth:** Free, safe and anonymous online support for young people 11-18. Monday – Friday 12pm – 10pm, Saturday – Sunday 6pm – 10pm. On Kooth you can: Chat to our friendly counsellors; Read articles written by young people; Get support from the Kooth community; Write in a daily journal. Website: <https://kooth.com/> [Home - Kooth](#)
- **Childline:** Free counselling via online webchat, and free support/advice available 24/7 via confidential helpline, and emails via the website. Tel: 0800 11 11. Website: www.childline.org.uk [Childline | Childline](#)
- **Young Minds** national charity offers confidential online and telephone information and support for anyone worried about the emotional, behaviour, or mental health of a child/young person up to 25 years of age, including ADHD, Autism and Aspergers. **Parents Helpline:** 0808 802 5544 Website: [YoungMinds | Mental Health Charity For Children And Young People | YoungMinds](#)
- **Young Minds Crisis Messenger Service** for free 24/7 support across the UK of you are experiencing a mental health crisis. Text YM to 85258.

Adult mental health

- **South Gloucestershire Talking Therapies - Vitamins:** Therapeutic interventions including counselling and group courses, in line with people's differing needs, age 16+. Self-referral via the website: wellaware.org.uk Tel - [0333 200 1893](tel:03332001893) [NHS Talking Therapies - North Somerset & South Gloucestershire \(vitahealthgroup.co.uk\)](#)
- **Samaritans:** Free, confidential emotional support for those experiencing despair, distress, self-harm or suicidal feelings.
Tel: 116 123 (free, from any phone, 24/7). Website: www.samaritans.org [Samaritans | Every life lost to suicide is a tragedy | Here to listen](#) Email: jo@samaritans.org

Family/parenting support

- **Solihull** – online parenting resources for parents, carers, grandparents and teenagers in South Glos. This is **free** lifetime access to a range of e-learning and online resources which span from pregnancy to 19 years. These courses can be worked through at a pace which suits the individual, with the aim of increasing parental knowledge and confidence around child development through all stages of the parenting journey. The courses aim to nurture emotional health and wellbeing so that our children can thrive as kind, sociable and emotionally aware people throughout their lives. [inourplace | Solihull Approach – South Gloucestershire | inourplace](#)
- **NHS website:** Advice for parents on a range of parenting issues, including talking to teenagers, fussy eating and teenage aggression. Website: [Live Well - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)
- **CCP – Caring for Communities and People** – Offer outreach support and parenting courses for families at an early help level. [Home \(ccp.org.uk\)](http://www.ccp.org.uk)

Support for families who have children with additional needs

- **SEND and You - SAY:** Local SEN and disability information service (SENDIAS) - Information and support around Special Educational Needs and Disabilities, for children, young people and families. (previously Supportive Parents)
Tel: 0117 9897725 Mon-Fri 9.30 - 4.30 (answerphone at other times),
Email: support@sendandyou.org.uk
Website: [Home - SEND and You](#)

- **South Glos Parents and Carers:** Information and groups for parents who have children with a disability and/or additional needs. Offers a weekly drop in for parents and carers, support groups, workshops, counselling and events. They also run the Parent Carer forum in South Gloucestershire to collect feedback and views from families with disabled children. Website: [South Glos Parent Carers \(sgpc.org.uk\)](http://SouthGlosParentCarers.sgpc.org.uk) Email: team@sglospc.org.uk
- **JIGSAW Thornbury** Support families who have children who are 0-25 years and have any additional needs or disability. This can be anything from learning needs such as dyslexia to complex disabilities or medical problems. Many children who come have no diagnosis. Weekly support group for parents, carers and children + training courses on a range of topics. Telephone: 01454 416381 Website: [JIGSAW Thornbury | For Children with Additional Needs and Disabilities - SEN Lending Library, Events, Meetings, Bristol Area and the South West.](http://JIGSAWThornbury.org.uk)

The South Glos LIFE homepage has more information about services in South Glos [South Glos LIFE](http://SouthGlosLIFE.org.uk)

CHATHEALTH

Young people, aged 11 to 19, can get support from [Sirona care & health's school nurses](http://SironaCare.org.uk) through the summer holidays.

The [ChatHealth](http://ChatHealth.org.uk) text messaging support service is open from 9am to 5pm during weekdays, except bank holidays.

School nurses can offer support on a range of topics including emotional support and relationships, sexual health, sleep, smoking/vaping and healthy eating and exercise.

Text 07312 263093 to get confidential support from a health professional.

ARCHBISHOP YOUNG LEADERS AWARD YEAR 3 AND 4

FREE BUS TRAVEL



From Saturday 19 July to Friday 5 September, under-16s can hop on board almost all buses in the region for FREE. There is no need to sign up or register in advance, just turn up and go. They don't even need to be accompanied by a fare paying adult, so it's also perfect for older children to get out and explore the region with their mates. It's all thanks to funding secured by the West of England Mayoral Combined Authority.

That's summer sorted.

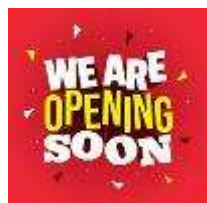
Find out more at travelwest.info

2ND HAND UNIFORM

If you require any 2nd hand uniform then please email friendsofstpetersprimary@outlook.com with the sizes and items you require and they will get back to you.



NURSERY OPENING 2025



We are very excited and pleased to be opening a Nursery at St Peter's Primary School for 3 & 4 year old's from September 2025!

We are open 39 weeks each year in line with the school's term dates and INSET days. Please see our [school website](http://schoolwebsite.org.uk) for more information.

PARKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Please remember that parking in the car park at the end of the day for collection is prohibited unless you have express permission from the school. I understand that parking on the street is not always ideal but if we allow parents to park at the end of the day, the car park becomes crowded and very dangerous for the children. Additionally, there aren't enough spaces for every parent to park hence why we don't allow parking on site at the end of the day. Please be mindful of this and for the safety of our children.



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.

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.



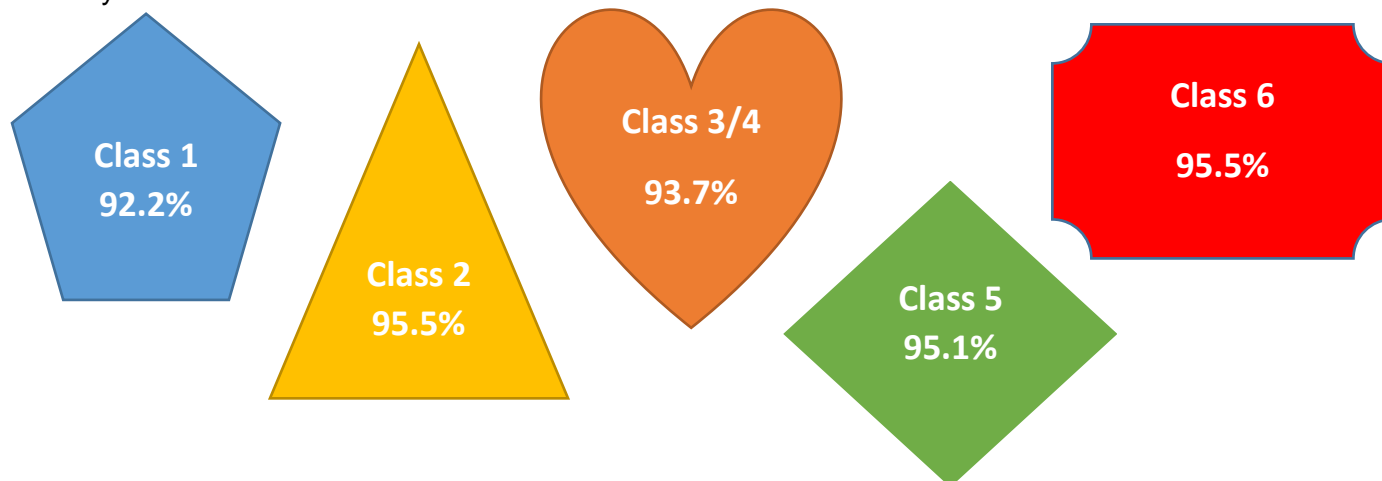
CLOTHING BANK – We have a clothing bank on site, you donate your unwanted clothes and the company pays the Friends of St Peter's money per kg collected.

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

PE Timetable	Email	Everyone

Term dates for 2024/25

TERM 6

Monday 21 July 1.45pm Year 6 parents invited into our Leaver's Service
Tuesday 22 July 2.40pm Singing square on the field all parents invited (weather permitting)
 End of Term 6 and school year

Term dates 2025/26

TERM 1

Monday 1 September **INSET DAY – School closed for all pupils**
Tuesday 2 September **School starts for all pupils in Years 1 to 6**
 Home visits for Reception children starting
Wednesday 3 September **Home visits for Reception children starting**
Thursday 4 September **New Reception children start**
Monday 15 September **Year 6's visit to Paris, France**
 New Reception children start school full-time
Friday 19 September **Year 6 return from Paris**
Wednesday 22 October **Last day of Term 1 for pupils**
Thursday 23 October **INSET DAY – School closed to pupils**
Friday 24 October **INSET DAY – School closed to pupils**

TERM 2

Monday 3 November **Start of Term 2 for all pupils**
Friday 19 December **Last day of Term 2 for all pupils**

Term dates 2024/2025

Term	Starts	Ends
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 dates 2025/2026

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Monday 1 September 2025	Friday 24 October 2025
Term 2	Monday 3 November 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
Term 3	Monday 5 January 2026	Friday 13 February 2026
Term 4	Monday 23 February 2026	Thursday 2 April 2026
Term 5	Monday 20 April 2026	Friday 23 May 2026
Term 6	Monday 1 June 2026	Tuesday 21 July 2026
INSET DAYS	Monday 1 September 2025 Thursday 23 October 2025 Friday 24 October 2025 Monday 1 June 2026 Tuesday 2 June 2026	

Term 1 Clubs

CLUB	DAY	TIME	RUN BY	WHO FOR?	HOW TO SIGN UP	COST	STARTS	ENDS
Football	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Mr Truan	Year 5 & 6	On the Arbor app	free	10/09/2025	22/10/2025
Chess	Thursday	Lunchtime 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Mr Baykaa- Murray	all students	Sign up on the Arbor app under clubs	free	25/09/2025	16/10/2025
Tag Rugby	Tuesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	09/09/2025	21/10/2025
Hand Ball	Wednesday	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm	Bristol Sports	Yr1 - Yr6	Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers	see poster	10/09/2025	22/10/2025

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