

# St Peter's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

## Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024



Dear families,

Please visit our website to see what we have been up to this week.

[St Peter's Website](#)

### **Safety First Visits**

The Year 1 and 2 children have enjoyed a hands-on approach to keeping themselves safe this week when they visited Safety Works in Newcastle. Safety works is an interactive safety centre which provides innovative, enjoyable learning experiences enabling the children to participate safely in realistic situations illustrating everyday hazards and how to prevent them. All children had a wonderful experience and learned lots.



### **Showcase mornings in school**

Thank you for the positive feedback we have received on the showcase mornings that we have held in school so far this term. They have been very well attended and parents have thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Our Year 2 showcase morning is on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June, and we are looking forward to welcoming you into school.



### **Money Matters Workshop**

Our Year 6 children participated in a Money Matters workshop on Monday. The aim of the session was to learn about how to manage, invest and borrow money through playing a range of games. A real-life lesson!

### **Parking outside school**

The safeguarding of all children at St Peter's is of paramount importance. Please ensure that you are not parking on the yellow zig-zags outside of school as it is putting the children in danger. The soft opening from 8.45am means that children have until 9am to arrive at school thus easing congestion outside. If you are running late, please do not 'stop and drop' as this is jeopardising the safety of our children and obviously causing concern for parents and staff in school.

### **Rise**

Rise, Mental Health Support have been working across school this term to provide a 'Whole School Approach' for low intensity mental health needs.

The 'whole school approach' has included one to one work for young people who are presenting with low level mental health difficulties, small group work, whole class sessions and training for teachers on topics such as anxiety, low mood, and emotional regulation. They have also delivered a parental workshop and a staff workshop.

There will be another workshop for parents on 'anxiety' on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm. All parents and carers welcome.



### **FOSP Father's Day Gift Sale**

Thank you for all your generous donations for our Father's Day Sale. We hope all dads enjoy a lovely day on Sunday. A huge thank you to all the members of The Friends of St Peter's for organising this and coming in to facilitate the sale this afternoon.

### **An important message from our Year 6 children.**

We are all aware of the pressures faced by families in our local community who are struggling with the rising cost of living. We put our faith into action last week when we visited the foodbank, to deliver and sort the food that we had collected in school. We are very keen to have a real push on encouraging us all to donate a tin, jar or bag of pasta where we can so that we can return to the Foodbank one last time before we leave St Peter's. It feels so good to see that we are really helping others during this time of financial difficulty. We realise that everyone is not as fortunate as ourselves but acknowledge that it is our collective responsibility to be the face of Christ to others. Please give generously, if you can. All donations to be placed in our foodbank hamper which is outside Mrs McArthur's office. *Many thanks from Year 6.*



**Safeguarding message**

**HOW SAFE IS YOUR CHILD?**

# INTERNET SAFETY

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO READ THIS GUIDE AND LOOK AT THE LINKS AVAILABLE ONLINE.

**ChildLine**  
0800 1111

AT OUR SCHOOL WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN FROM HARM. WE BELIEVE WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS IS VITAL TO ENSURE OUR CHILDREN HAVE A CONSTANT MESSAGE FROM BOTH HOME AND SCHOOL.

AS TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPS YEAR ON YEAR OUR CHILDREN ALSO DEVELOP. IT IS VITAL, AS ADULTS THAT WE DO TOO AND KEEP UP WITH WHAT IS OUT THERE AND WHAT THE RISKS COULD BE.

SET THE PARENT SETTINGS

DO YOU KNOW ALL THEIR PHONE CONTACTS?

DO YOU MONITOR THEIR PHONE USAGE AND REMOVE IT AT NIGHT?

DO YOU KNOW THEIR PASSWORDS?

IN ORDER TO HAVE A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT YOU MUST BE 13 YEARS OLD. MANY CHILDREN WILL USE FALSE D.O.B IN ORDER TO REGISTER. PLEASE CHECK! IF YOUR CHILD HAS AN ACCOUNT WE ADVISE YOU CLOSE IT DOWN. TO REDUCE THE RISK OF HARM IT IS IMPORTANT YOU TALK TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT:

- NOT ACCEPTING STRANGERS AS FRIENDS
- NOT SHARING PERSONAL INFORMATION
- SHARING PASSWORDS WITH PARENTS
- NEVER MEET A STRANGER THEY'VE MET ONLINE
- SET PRIVACY SETTINGS

ENSURE GAMES YOU BUY FOR YOUR CHILD ARE AGE APPROPRIATE. MANY PARENTS ARE UNAWARE OF GRAPHIC AND SEXUALISED CONTENT ON 18 CERTIFICATE GAMES.

## PARENT GUIDE!

ENSURE THE COMPUTER IS IN A FAMILY SPACE SO YOU CAN MONITOR WHAT SITES YOUR CHILD IS ACCESSING

WHAT'S CYBER BULLYING?

IF A PERSON OR GROUP OF PEOPLE USE THE INTERNET, MOBILE PHONE OR OTHER TECHNICAL DEVICE TO THREATEN, ABUSE OR TEASE SOMEONE.

WWW.THINKUKNOW.CO.UK & CEOP HAVE GOOD ADVICE & RESOURCES AND GUIDANCE FOR BOTH PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN. TAKE A LOOK!

TWO CHILDREN FROM THE UK WERE MURDERED AFTER MEETING A STRANGER THEY'D MET ONLINE (FACEBOOK & XBOX) BOTH TOLD THEIR PARENTS THEY WERE GOING TO SLEEP AT A FRIEND'S HOUSE. NEITHER PARENT CHECKED!

**THE RISKS ARE REAL**

Clennell

## Attendance

Our year-to-date whole school attendance is currently **97%** and our target for the year is **98%**. Please do support us by sending your child into school every day. Each week the class with the highest attendance will receive our Attendance Trophy. Congratulations to Year 3 who achieved 100% attendance and won the trophy this week. Well done!

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	95.00%	97.33%	92.41%	100%	99.31%	98.97%	98.79%



### Stars of the Week



Well done to the following children who have shone this week in school.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Lucy For excellent effort and learning her Father's Day Celebration of the Word lines.	Ronan For impeccable behaviour. Ronan is always ready to listen and learn.	Hassan For showing enthusiasm in everything he does.	Essa For her kind and caring attitude towards other members of our class.	All of Y4 For their contributions and resilience during their first residential at Emmaus Village.	Lily Mae For always giving 100% to everything she does. She is a kind friend and a role model to follow.	Hugo and Samuel For being extremely helpful making props for Performing Arts.

### Things to remember week beginning Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June:

<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6 Welcome Day to Cardinal Hume. Children to make their own way to CHCS. Year 2 showcase morning. Parents invited into school. Year 4 visit to the Hindu Temple.
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Rise workshop for parents on 'anxiety' at 2.30pm in the school hall. All parents welcome.
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	Stay and pray at 9.10am. Parents welcome. Cystic Fibrosis Day in school. Wear something yellow to raise awareness.
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	Summer Outreach Concert 3- 5pm St Peter's Catholic Church. All welcome.

Many thanks for your continued support, I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Warm regards,

Mrs McArthur  
Headteacher