

St Peter's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 5th July 2024



Dear families,

We have come to the end of another very busy week in school. Please visit our website to see what we have been up to this week.

[St Peter's Website](#)

Aladdin

Huge congratulations to all those children involved in performing arts. The children put on two outstanding performances of Aladdin; the children's singing, dancing and acting skills were amazing. Thank you to Mrs Cowx, Mrs Shilling and Mrs Porter for your time, energy and expertise and of course thank you also to the whole staff team for assisting with the setting up and cleaning up afterwards. It was a real team effort.

Business week

Thank you for your support with business week. The year 6 children are all looking forward to their end of year trip which they have funded themselves (details to follow).

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.

Parental Survey

As we draw to the end of this academic year, please could you take the time to complete a short survey giving us your parent views. In order to continually improve the provision that we offer at St Peter's, it is important that we reflect on current practice and reach out to all our stakeholders. Many thanks in advance for taking the time to do this. The survey will close at midnight on Thursday 11th July. Once the survey has been analysed, with governors, it will help to inform planning for the next academic year.

[Parents - Survey](#)

Music at St Peter's

Rocksteady are highly trained, professional musicians who lead peripatetic music lessons in schools. The children learn together as a band, rather than individually, and work on a curriculum of 300 different skills. The children choose their band name and which songs they are going to learn, working towards an end of term concert for parents. Rocksteady work with Trinity College,

allowing the children to work towards a Grade 2 qualification in their chosen instrument. Rocksteady guarantees 33 lessons per year at a cost. This cost will be for parents to pay. There is no commitment to take part for the full year. The children will take part in lessons during the school day but on a rotating timetable to cause minimal disruption to their learning.

Rocksteady will be in school on Monday 8th July to deliver workshops to all the children. Following this session, I will be seeking parental views to see if this is viable and a provision that is wanted at St Peter's.

Coming up soon

Sports Day

Our annual Sports Day will take place (weather permitting) at Gateshead Fell Cricket Club on **Tuesday 9th July** at the following times:

Key Stage 1	1.15 pm
Key Stage 2	2.00 pm

Once the events for Key Stage 1 children have finished, the Key Stage 1 children will then sit with the Key Stage 2 pupils and will watch the older children's events. Children are not to be taken home before the events for Key Stage 2 pupils have finished.

The Summer Fayre will start at 3.30 pm and until this time the children are the responsibility of the class teachers.

Summer Fayre

Friends of St Peters next event will be:

Summer Fayre Tuesday 9th July 3:30pm to 5:00pm at Gateshead Fell Cricket Club (straight after Sports Day).

We hope you can join us for some fun whilst raising money for school. All are welcome.

Ahead of the Fayre we have a few things happening at school to help us get ready: To raise **Tombola** donations, there will be a **non-uniform day on Monday 8th July** and we kindly ask for any donations of chocolate or bottles (wine, beer etc.)

To populate the **Bric-a-brac Stall & Pre-loved Uniform Stall** we welcome any donations of unneeded items that we can sell on and raise money for school, e.g. quality toys, complete board games/jigsaws, gifts, books and jewelry, we do ask for no cuddly toys. Donations can be brought into school.

Raffle tickets will also be going on sale and the draw will be held on **Friday 12th July**.

As always, we are very thankful for any support you can give with the above. If you would be able to **volunteer** on the day, it would be much appreciated as we **still need extra support to make the day a success**. If you can help, please let us know via email at fosplowfell@hotmail.co.uk.

Please feel free to spread the word to those who might want to come along, everyone is welcome and as always, your support is really appreciated.

Wraparound Care at St Peter's

Following consultation with 3 third party providers and considering the specific needs of our families at St Peter's, we have made the decision to manage the provision in house from September. As part of this, we are recruiting for a Wraparound Care Manager and a Wraparound Care Assistant. Breakfast club will run as normal in September. Further information to follow at the end of term.

Attendance

Our year-to-date whole school attendance is currently **97%**. 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 won the trophy this week. Well done!

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	94.33%	98.67%	97.59%	99.38%	97.67%	93.10%	97.58%



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
Betsy For being an excellent helper to the adults all year long.	Annabella For giving 100% in everything she does and always producing fantastic work.	Lola For being a lovely friend and a fantastic help around the classroom.	Sophie and Olivia For sharing brilliant ideas in our lessons this week.	Ethan For settling well into the class.	Aoife R and Oliver Aoife R: For being an incredibly kind and caring member of our class. Oliver: For giving 100% in all lessons this week, always putting your hand up to share knowledge.	Lucas For listening and contributing to our RISE sessions this half-term.

Things to remember from week beginning Monday 8th July until the end of term

Monday 8th July	Non- uniform day in school for all pupils. Please bring a donation for the tombola stand at the Summer Fayre. Y5 and Y6 Safety Works! Trip (pupils should wear <u>non-uniform clothing</u>) Rocksteady Music Workshops in school for all children.
Tuesday 9th July	Sports Day (weather permitting) Summer Fayre – straight after Sports Day until 5pm at Low Fell Cricket Club
Wednesday 10th July	
Thursday 11th July	'Keeping Safe whilst out and about' Years 5 and 6 children. Police workshop in school.
Friday 12th July	Stay and Pray in school
Monday 15th July	Trust Olympics – Year 5 children. Year 6 end of year trip.
Tuesday 16th July	Transition day in school. Children to spend the morning with their new teachers.
Wednesday 17th July	End of Year Leavers' Mass at 10am at St Peter's Church. All parents welcome
Thursday 18th July	Leavers' Assembly in school at 1.30pm
Friday 19th July	There will be no stay and pray. Children break up for the Summer Holidays

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

Warm regards,

Mrs McArthur
Headteacher