

St Peter's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 13th September 2024



Dear families,

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

[St Peter's Website](#)

School Uniform Reminders

The children are all looking very smart in their new school uniforms. Just a reminder that for health and safety reasons, jewellery is not allowed to be worn in school with the exception of a digital or analogue watch (no smart watches). Earrings are not permitted, and long hair must be tied back at all times. Our main priority is to keep the children safe whilst in our care, so thank you for your support with this.

Communication in school

If you need to get in touch with us regarding absence, doctors' appointment etc please telephone us on 0191 4878233.

If you need to get in touch with the class teacher regarding non urgent information, please send an email to the class teacher. The class teacher will endeavour to respond within 24 hours where possible.

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Curriculum Evenings

The diary dates, which were sent out at the beginning of term, have all the important dates for this term. This week we had our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions in school. Thank you to all of you who supported this. Over the next few weeks, we will have other curriculum meetings.

Phonics and Reading in Key Stage 1 – 24.9.24 at 5pm

Reading in KS2 – 1.10.24 at 5pm

We encourage you to come along and find out how you can support your child in school with their reading. A positive relationship between school and home will ensure that your child progresses in school socially, emotionally and academically.

Healthy snacks

As we are a healthy school, children are not permitted to bring sweets or chocolate into school as a daily snack. All children in KS1 (Key Stage 1) receive a piece of fruit which they eat before morning break. If Key stage 2 children bring a snack, we ask that it is a healthy option (e.g. fresh or dried fruit, yoghurt, rice cakes). Please no sweets, crisps, or chocolate bars.

At breakfast club and afterschool club we too endeavour to offer healthy options.

Foodbank Friday

This year we are continuing with our Foodbank Friday. We ask that on Fridays, the children, if they are able, bring in a donation for our Foodbank which we will then distribute into the local community, at the end of every half term. We know that this small gesture will help those in our local community who are struggling financially. Donations of tins of beans, mince, ham, corned beef, pasta, and custard are particularly welcomed.

Safeguarding Messages

The safety of the children is always of paramount importance and especially when they are online; please read guidance information below.

HOW SAFE IS YOUR CHILD?

INTERNET SAFETY

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

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.

ChildLine
0800 1111

SET THE PARENT SETTINGS

DO YOU KNOW ALL THEIR PHONE CONTACTS?

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

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

DO YOU KNOW THEIR PASSWORDS?

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

XBOX LIVE

THE RISKS ARE REAL

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!

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!

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Football at St Peter's

We are looking into establishing a school football team for Year 5 and 6. Are there any parents who would be willing to coach the children with the support of the staff. This could be done on a rotational basis so that the responsibility isn't on just one parent. Please get in touch if this is something you would be interested in.

Attendance

Our year-to-date whole school attendance is currently **97.4%** and our target is **97%**. Thank you for supporting 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 4 who achieved 100% attendance and won the trophy this week. Well done!

The children who had 100% attendance last academic year received certificates this week and enjoyed an extra playtime this afternoon.

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	99.7%	99.7%	99%	98.6%	100%	99.6%	99.7%



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
Ryan	April	Olivia	Martin	Sophie	Lucy K	Francesca
For having lovely manners and settling in so well!	For being a responsible member of Year 1	For always trying her best and going above and beyond!	For settling in so well!	For excellent maths work	For an outstanding work ethic	'Wow!' What a fabulous start to this year. You are a role model – keep it up!

Things to remember from week beginning Monday 16th September

Monday 16th September	Robinwood Residential – Year 6 children leave at 9am.
Tuesday 17th September	
Wednesday 18th September	Robinwood Residential – Year 6 children return at approximately 2.45pm.
Thursday 19th September	Year 5 Celebration of the Word 'New Beginnings' (9.10 am). Parents welcome.
Friday 20th September	Stay and Pray in school – 9.10am. Parents welcome.

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

Warm regards,

Mrs McArthur
Headteacher