

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

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Please visit the school website www.stpeterscatholicprimary.com for dates for the full academic year, together with other information about the school that you may find useful.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 6th November – Year 1 Science Experience day
Tuesday 7th November 3.30-6.00pm – Parents Evening
Wednesday 8th November 3.30-6.00pm – Parents Evening
Wednesday 8th November – St Francis Animal Care visit to Reception
Friday 17th November – Hawking About visit to Reception
Saturday 18th November 10.00-12.00 – Stay and Play session for parents and children starting school September 2024
Thursday 23rd November 5.00-6.00pm – Year R Winter Wonderland
Friday 24th November – School Closed
Monday 27th November – School Closed
Thursday 30th November 1.45-2.45pm – New parents afternoon (starting school September 2024)
Friday 1st December – Christmas Fayre (children only)
Tuesday 5th December 9.15am Year R Christmas Production
Wednesday 6th December 9.15am Year R Christmas Production
Wednesday 6th December – Year 2 educational visit to Weald & Downland Museum
Thursday 7th December – Years 1 & 2 Christmas Production
Friday 8th December – Years 1 & 2 Christmas Production
Tuesday 12th December – Chartwells Christmas Dinner
Friday 15th December – Last day of term before Christmas holidays
Wednesday 3rd January 2024 – Children return to school

This Week

This week, we began by thinking about Saints. We talked about a few ranging from the most famous to a few who are less well known. The children thought about the skills required to be a saint and how they might follow their example. The children in reception have been learning about baby owls and have had a go at painting them, exploring textures and patterns. In year one, the children have also been practising their artistic skills and have been mastering the use of chalks and pastels.

The children in year 2 have completed making pirate ships, so spent some time evaluating their designs. In year 3, the children have been working very hard in computing. They have successfully tackled Google Slides.

In history, year 4 have begun to explore music throughout the 20th century. They are looking forward to finding out more.

It has been a very arty week further up the school too. Years 5 and 6 have worked on beautiful topic book covers. Year 5 are studying famous rebels across the ages and year 6 tell me that they have been creating graffiti to replicate Brighton street art.

Thank you for your patience this week. Luckily, the bad weather did not cause a closure. The children were very calm and sensible in school despite having a few wet breaks.

Please can I remind you all that lessons start at 8.45 am. The children should be in class and ready to learn. Valuable early work is missed when children are late. The children should come into the playground between 8.30am and 8.40am. The doors open at 8.40am giving them time to get into class. Thank you for your support with this.

Friends of St Peter's Association

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the Friends Association at their AGM in October; it was lovely to see you. We also held a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support and raised £150.00 which has been sent to them. Thank you for your support.

Our new Committee members for the Friends Association are as follows –

Co-Chairs	Sam Thorley-Benn & Tracie Broad
Treasurer	Lisa Oakley
Secretary	Georgina Carter
Other Members	Sam Clements, Laura Hallett, Liz Matthews, Claire Wickenden

Our next fundraising event will be the Christmas fayre on Friday 1st December. This will be held during the school day and will be for the children only to attend. More information to follow. **There will be a Friends Association meeting on Monday 13th November at 2.30pm to discuss arrangements for the Christmas Fayre. Please do come along and share your wonderful ideas!**

Tesco Community Grant Application

We are delighted to let you know that we have received notification from Tesco Stronger Starts Team today – *“Congratulations! We are delighted to let you know that following the Tesco Stronger Starts vote in your local Tesco stores, your project came second and has been chosen by Tesco customers to receive a grant award of £1,000”* We are over the moon with this news. Our project was about growing, cooking and eating food and we look forward to being able to purchase some much needed resources to help the children learn about food etc.

Deanery Advent Service

The Deanery advent service will be held on Tuesday 5th December at 6.00pm at Arundel Cathedral. This is a beautiful service and it would be lovely to see some St Peter's families there. Please let the school office know if you would like to attend. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Stikins Name Labels

Thank you to everyone who has ordered name labels via Stikins. We receive 30% commission on all orders and have just received a cheque for £18.54. If you haven't already used Stikins, please visit their website – <https://www.stikins.co.uk> Our school fundraising number is 21647

Shoreham Foodbank

We have received a thank you card from Shoreham Foodbank - *To all the staff, children and families at St Peter's. Thank you! Your very generous donations to Shoreham Foodbank will make such a difference to the people in our community who are in need. You donated over 100kg of food and toiletries. That's amazing. Best wishes. The Shoreham Foodbank Team* Thank you for your very generous support.

Part Time Job at St Peter's Church

St Peter's Church are currently looking for someone, ideally a volunteer, but it may be possible for the role to be a salaried position. It is envisaged that the work would take approximately 8 hours per week which could be split between 2 people, 4 hours each. Whilst some of the work must be in the Parish Office at St Peter's, other tasks can be done remotely from home. You would be working with the Parish Administrator and under the supervision of the Chair of the Finance Committee. Guidance and training will be given. The roles will involve finance administration (checking and paying invoices, counting, banking and entering income, organising hall and car park rentals, bank reconciliation, reception, phone) and premises administration (organising regular safety checks and services on the Parish premises, arranging building maintenance, updating Diocesan Health & Safety portal, providing annual work programme and maintenance budget to Finance Committee, processing insurance claims). If you would like an informal chat about what is involved and whether you may be suitable, please speak to Patrick O'Donoghue or email him at pfc.adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk leaving your number so that he can phone you.

Free School Meals (FSM) Eligibility Criteria *****IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ*****

Free school meals in all West Sussex maintained and free schools and academies are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits –

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)



- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

If you **are not** eligible for benefits-related, free school meals, but your child is currently in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they will automatically be entitled to Universal Infant Free school Meals and you need not apply.

If you **are** eligible for benefits-related free school meals in accordance with the above criteria, and your child is also receiving Universal Infant Free School Meals, it is important that you continue to register. This will enable us to claim valuable 'pupil premium' funding (currently £1,385 per child per annum). This additional funding can enable us to provide extra support for your child in school.

Once an eligible child is signed up for benefits related free school meals, they will also receive other support such as Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) sessions. HAF sessions provide children with access to fun and engaging activities during the holidays and offer a free meal as part of the sessions.

If you think your child(ren) may be eligible for benefits-related free school meals, please contact Mrs Matthews in the school office.

P.E Kit

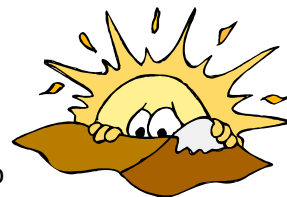
This can be purchased online – <https://getmekitted.com/st-peters-40-c.asp>



Sunrise Breakfast Club Please note that Breakfast Club starts at **7.45am** and children should **NOT** be dropped off any earlier than this as staff are not available to look after them. Thank you.

We are delighted that so many children are enjoying coming to our Sunrise Breakfast Club.

The Breakfast Club is open every day from 7.45am and costs just £4.00 a session. Sessions can be booked and paid for using the online payment system sQuid. For further information please contact the school office. It is possible to pay for your child's sessions at Breakfast Club using childcare vouchers. We are currently registered with the Government Tax Free Childcare scheme. If you use another childcare voucher provider please let us know.



Best of Buddies

Best of Buddies runs every afternoon after school from 3.15 – 5.15pm.

For more information please contact Mrs Awedan Tel. 07923 318935

or email bfbuddies@gmail.com



Kind regards

K. J. Crees

Mrs K Crees

Headteacher

Amazon Wishlist

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/YOTQO1KCEUO2/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1?encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist

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THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2023
6PM - 9PM

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Including a licensed bar



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