

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 4th October 2024

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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 7th October 9.00 – 10.15am Grandparents Day
Friday 11th October 9.00 – 10.00am Friends Association AGM / MacMillan Coffee morning
Monday 14th October 2.30pm - KS1 Harvest Festival
Tuesday 15th October 9.00am - Year R Harvest Festival
Tuesday 15th October 2.30pm – KS2 Harvest Festival
Tuesday 15th October – School Discos (Years R, 1, 2 3.30 – 4.30pm; Years 3, 4, 5, 6 4.30-6.00pm)
Wednesday 16th October – Family (brothers & sisters) and individual photos
Friday 18th October – Show Racism the Red Card day – children can wear red home clothes to school
Monday 21st October – Year 2 Geography walk to Shoreham
Monday 21st October 2.30pm – Fr Graham leading a Question & Answer session for parents
Monday 21st October 3.15pm – Year 6 cake sale – donations towards UK Parliament/London coach costs
Tuesday 22nd October 1.45 – 2.45pm Year R 2025 New Parents Open Afternoon (Presentation at 1.45pm)
Wednesday 23rd October – Year 6 visit to UK Parliament/London
Wednesday 23rd October 9.00 – 10.00am SEND Coffee morning
Saturday 26th October 9.30 – 11.00am Year R 2025 New parents and Children Stay & Play Session
Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November – Half Term
Tuesday 5th November 9.30 – 10.30am Year 4 Knife Skills Session – Table Talk Foundation
Tuesday 5th November 3.30 – 6.00pm Parents Evening
Wednesday 6th November 3.30 – 6.00pm Parents Evening
Wednesday 6th November 9.00am – Year R “Settling in to Reception” meeting for parents (school hall)
Wednesday 13th November 1.45 – 2.45pm Year R 2025 New Parents Open afternoon (Presentation at 1.45pm)
Thursday 14th November Bag2School Textile Collection
Saturday 16th November 9.30 – 11.00am – Year R 2025 new parents and children Stay & Play Session



This Week

We began the week looking at the emotion of jealousy and how to try to counter it. We talked about how our school values of kindness and integrity helped with this. Two of the ideas we shared to help, if we ever feel jealous of someone, were to say something nice to that person and then ask a question about their talent or gift. We then came back to looking at our Mission Statement of having ‘love’ at the centre of everything we do.

We were also excited to welcome Reception to their first ever whole school assembly on Wednesday, where we read the stories of ‘I Want My Hat Back’ and ‘This Is Not My Hat’. They sat and listened beautifully! Reception have been learning the story of the Little Red Hen in preparation for harvest. They have baptised Baby Lily in RE and made her gifts to show her Jesus loves her. Year 1 have been learning about the creation story and looking after our world. The children have also been practising their handwriting and how to correctly write l,t,j,y and u letters. Year 2 have been busy designing and making their very own pirate ships. Lots of them had planks and cannons! Year 3 had a school trip to Drusillas Zoo this week for their Africa geography topic. The children took part in two workshops where they learnt about the Maasai tribe and also met African animals. Year 4 have been writing election speeches for Mr Stink. In history the children learnt about the importance of rivers to ancient civilisations. Year 5 have been writing evacuee diary entries and also making Henry Moore artwork. Year 6 have been learning about the passive and active voice with a whodunit mystery. In Maths they have been problem solving!

A polite reminder that the school car park is for staff only, unless prior consent has been agreed with the school. Can we respectfully ask that parents do not come in to the car park on any occasion. Thank you for your co-operation.

Starting School September 2025

Please share this important information with any family and/or friends you have who may have a child starting school next September.

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 they are eligible to start school in September 2025. You can apply online from Monday 7th October at www.westsussex.gov.uk/admissions The deadline for applications is Wednesday 15th January 2025. See flier at the end of the newsletter for further details.

If you are considering listing St Peter's as one of your three preferences we strongly recommend that you complete and return a Supplementary Information form (SIF). These are available from the school office. Completing a SIF will give us more information about your child and enable to rank their school application correctly.

We will be holding open afternoons and stay and play sessions for prospective new parents and children, as follows –

New parents open afternoons –

Tuesday 22nd October 1.45- 2.45pm

Wednesday 13th November 1.45 – 2.45pm

Presentation to start at 1.45pm followed by a tour of the school.



New parents and children stay and play sessions –

Saturday 26th October 9.30 – 11.00am

Saturday 16th November 9.30 – 11.00am



No need to book for any of these sessions; just come along. We look forward to welcoming you.

Harvest Festival Reminder – Please read updated information

Dates for our Harvest Festival celebrations are in the “Dates for the Diary” section at the beginning of this newsletter. Reception and KS1 will be collecting donations of food to support Turning Tides “Give Breakfast a Boost” campaign. People experiencing homelessness need to start the day with a nourishing breakfast and many aren’t able to cook or shop for themselves without somewhere to live. All year round staff and volunteers make hundreds of breakfasts a week for people who are rough sleeping or in temporary accommodation across West Sussex. Donations of the following food items will be gratefully received and we will forward them on to Turning Tides.



Coffee
Sugar
Long-Life Milk
Long-Life Juice
Bottled Water
Squash
Hot Chocolate



Tinned Spaghetti
Tinned Tomatoes
Cereal Bars
Ketchup
Brown Sauce
Cooking Oil
Honey, Jam, Marmalade



KS2 children will be supporting Brighton & Hove City Mission/Brighton Food Bank, which serves many individuals and families across the city and is a part of the wider team at the City Mission. This year they have asked for monetary donations to support their work and we would be grateful if KS2 children could bring in a small donation (on 15th October), in an envelope marked “Harvest donation”. We will collect the money in school and then pass it on to Brighton & Hove City Mission.

Parents are always exceptionally generous throughout our Harvest appeals and we know we can rely on your support again this year to help these two charities – Turning Tides and Brighton & Hove City Mission.

Due to space in the hall, and the popularity of our Harvest services, can we respectfully ask that only two adults per child come to the Reception service and only one adult per child for the KS1 and KS2 services. Thank you for your co-operation.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

As you know we are holding a coffee morning in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support on Friday 11th October from 9.00 – 10.00am. This will also coincide with the Annual General Meeting for our Friends Association. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you. **If anyone is able to donate a few cakes, that would be amazing and we would be very grateful.** We look forward to raising as much money as we can for MacMillan to support the wonderful work they do.

Question & Answer Session for Parents led by Fr Graham, Parish Priest of Adur Valley



'Come and See'

- Would you like to find out more about the Catholic faith?
- Do you or your child have questions about a particular area of the Catholic faith?
- Would you like to discuss your questions in a relaxed, open environment?



We would like to invite you to attend a short Q & A event at the school on Monday 21st October at 2.30pm. The session will last for around 30 minutes.

No need to book, please come along with your questions, or, alternatively, email them to Antonia Hyatt – adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk

Christmas Jumpers

The Friends of St Peter's Association would like to hold a pre-loved festive clothes day some time in November – date to be confirmed. We know that festive wear can be very expensive to buy in the shops so we thought we would hold a pre-loved sale. If anyone has any children's festive clothes - jumpers, tops, sweatshirts etc that are no longer needed we would love to have them. Please bring any donations to the school office. We will confirm the date of the sale in due course. Thank you for your support.



Sussex County Lawn Tennis Club Tennis Taster Course

Girls only tennis taster course which is packed with games and activities that will help build skills on court as well as new friendships and confidence in every day life. Open to girls aged 6 – 16 years. Thursday 17th October 2024 – Thursday 28th November 2024 5.00 – 6.00pm The girls will receive a free t-shirt, tennis racket and tennis balls when they sign up. All for £35.00. Sign up using the link – <https://shorturl.at/uuF1b>

Asda Cashpot for Schools

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to Asda's Cashpot for Schools. So far we have raised £92, which is amazing. If you haven't already done so, and shop at Asda, please do sign up –

It's as easy as 1,2,3

1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed)
2. Choose our Primary School – either searching by name or postcode
3. Shop instore across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop

Thank you, as always, for your support. These schemes really do benefit the school and we are always grateful for any additional funding.

House Points – Week ending 4th October 2024

Starfish 	Rays 	Seahorses 	Seals 
169	162	136	207

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. Parents will also receive a voucher, usually around £10 per week per child, during school holidays to help purchase food items.

If you think your child(ren) may be eligible for benefits-related free school meals, please apply online – [Free School Meals - West Sussex County Council](#) When you are on the website, click on 2. How to appl

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 bofbuddies@gmail.com



Kind regards

K. J. Crees

Mrs K Crees
Executive Headteacher

M. English

Mr M English
Head of School

Amazon Wishlist

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

Easyfundraising

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https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/spcps/?utm_medium=email-share&utm_source=Facebook&utm_campaign=dd-may-24&utm_term=Q1244&utm_content=socialshare

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Apply online at:
westsussex.gov.uk/admissions



Was your child born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?

If so they are eligible to start school
in September 2025

Apply online!

It's simple, convenient and time-saving.
If your application is received after the deadline,
your chance of securing a place at one of your
preference schools could be seriously affected.

You can apply online from
Monday 7 October 2024.
If you would like further advice or
information, phone: **03330 142 903.**

Deadline: Wednesday 15 January 2025

Free internet access to apply online is available at all West Sussex libraries.



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ASC STRIKERS OPEN DAY TRIALS U9 & U12

Our U9s and U12s are looking for new players to help strengthen their squads. Both teams are playing in the Mid Sussex League for the 24/25 season.

SATURDAY 5TH OCTOBER
SATURDAY 12TH

OCTOBER SATURDAY
19TH OCTOBER

BUCKINGHAM PARK,
SHOREHAM BY SEA

U9s: 09:00-10:00

U12s: 09:30-10:45

PLEASE CONTACT:

[U9s] EVAN: 07498 512442

[U12s] RAB: 07784 191719

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BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS



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WIN CASH PRIZES



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- The easy way to help us raise funds
- Local cash prizes every week
- Chance to win the £25k jackpot

To start supporting, visit:

yourschoollottery.co.uk

and search for: **St Peter's Catholic**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

Please do support our School Lottery if you are able to. We receive regular donations which really support our fundraising. Thank you.



**“THIS MORNING,
HE HAD A
RUNNY NOSE...
BUT LOOK AT
HIM NOW!”**

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



HM Government

Search NHS school illness guidance to find out more.

The NHS logo, consisting of the letters 'NHS' in white on a blue rectangular background.



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HALLOWEEN HOLIDAY PARTY CLUB



**MONDAY 28TH
OCTOBER
HOLMBUSH
PRIMARY ACADEMY
SHOREHAM BY SEA**

MEET REPTYLERS NEW ANIMALS
FANCY DRESS COMP
THEMED GAMES
BIG BUG HUNT
THEMED ARTS & CRAFTS

**FRIDAY 1ST
NOVEMBER
OLD BOAT CORNER
COMMUNITY CENTRE
BRIGHTON**

**£30PP
9AM - 3PM
4YRS - 13 YRS**

**TO BOOK PLEASE USE THIS LINK
[HTTPS://REPTYLERS.SCHOOLIPAL.CO.UK](https://reptylers.schoolipal.co.uk)**



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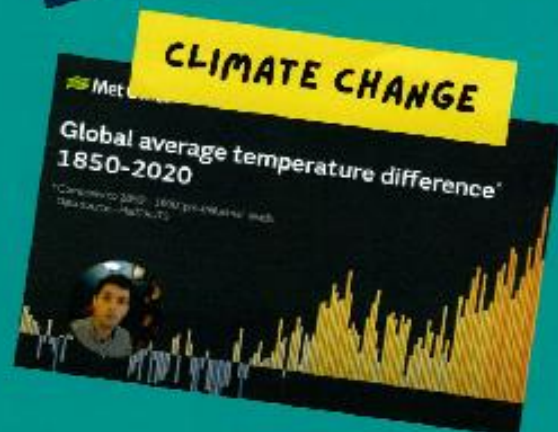
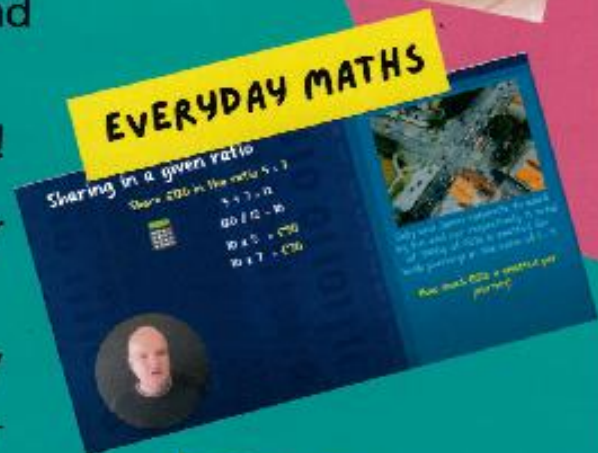
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