

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 25th 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 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 – Year 1 Alien day
Wednesday 6th November 9.00am – Year R “Settling in to Reception” meeting for parents (school hall)
Tuesday 12th November – Year 2 educational visit to the Weald & Downland Museum
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
Thursday 21st November – The Astronomy Roadshow visit in school for Years 1 & 5
Friday 22nd November – School Closure Day
Monday 25th November – School Closure Day
Tuesday 26th November – Influenza Nasal Sprays for Years R – 6
Wednesday 27th November 2.30pm – Parents to look at children’s books in their classes
Thursday 28th November – Year 4 educational visit to Plumpton College – Chef on the Farm visit
Friday 29th November – Christmas Fayre for the children

This Week

We have had a lovely half term with the children, they have been a joy to have in school. This week in our Gospel assembly we talked about being kind to others and ourselves and we hope the children will carry on with their kindness over the half term holiday. Reception have been looking at the story of The Ugly Duckling. They have been hunting for ducks in the garden and have been looking at four sided shapes. Year 1 have been learning how they can take care of the world because the children are big enough to help! They have learnt about picking up litter so animals don’t eat it and how they could walk, cycle or go on the bus or train more to help stop the world getting hotter. Year 2 began their week by going on their Geography trip to Shoreham high street and exploring all of the different shops there. Did you know that there are so many different cafes?! Year 3 are continuing to learn the recorder and have also been working very hard on their Maths. The children have been learning about Nelson Mandela as a link to their Africa topic. Year 4 had great fun making models of our digestive system using forks for teeth and clear plastic bags to represent our stomachs. The children added vinegar to replicate stomach acids. Year 5 had a lovely visit to Shoreham Fort where they visited the air raid shelter and met some WW2 veterans; they then wrote about the visit on the computers. Year 6 had a very exciting trip to London where they visited the houses of Parliament and met our local MP, Tom Rutland.

There are lots of fliers at the end of this newsletter signposting to various half term events. Please do take the time to have a look at them.

A reminder – if your child is being collected from school by an adult, other than their normal parent/carer, can we ask that you either phone or email the school office to let us know. This is to ensure the safety of all our children.

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 us 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 afternoon –

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 Donations

Thank you to everyone for your very generous Harvest donations. Turning Tides charity for the homeless were extremely grateful to collect over 20 bags of food for their clients and they asked us to pass on to families their grateful thanks.

KS2 children collected £172.00 for Brighton & Hove City Mission. Several parents asked if there was a link to their giving page so here it is – <https://bhcm.churchsuite.com/donate/> They were also extremely appreciative of our monetary donation and asked us to thank families for thinking of them.



School Discos

We welcomed DJ Nemo to St Peter's for our recent discos for the children. He was amazing and the children really enjoyed dancing along to his tunes. Not sure where that leaves DJ Squirrel?!! Thank you so much Mr Sefain for coming along and helping us raise lots of money towards the coach costs for the Year 6 residential visit to Hindleap Warren in July 2025. We are very grateful to you for giving up your time.

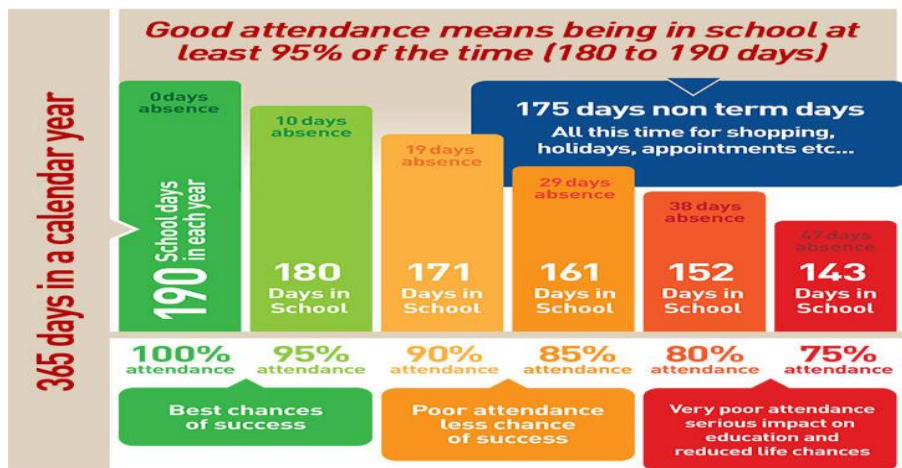


Cumulative Attendance Summary by Class – Week ending 25th October 2024

We encourage good attendance at St Peter's and aim for children to have attendance of 96% or above. A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%.

Please see below Year group cumulative attendance summaries from September to present. Also poster below -

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
96.94	95.22	94.31	97.68	98.01	96.88	95.51



DID YOU KNOW? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%



DID YOU KNOW? If you are 15 minutes late each day you will have missed a full 2 weeks of school in one year?

A reminder that the school day starts promptly at 8.45am and children need to be in class at this time. If you are arriving after 8.45am please bring your child(ren) to the school office. They will be marked in the register as arriving late and this could possibly result in a referral to WSCC being made for unauthorised absence. Thank you for your continued support.

Breakfast Club

Our Sunrise Breakfast Club had a surprise visitor this morning.

The Tiger Who Came to Breakfast!!!



House Points – Week ending 25th October 2024

Starfish 	Rays 	Seahorses 	Seals 
260	268	262	208

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



Have a great half term



Amazon Wishlist

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

Easyfundraising

Want to get involved? Sign up to easyfundraising so your online shopping at your favourite brands turns into much-needed funding for us. It'll take you two minutes to sign up:

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

Grandparents' Day

Please see below some photos from our recent Grandparents' Day. We have arranged another day for those grandparents who were unable to attend due to major traffic issues on the day. The new date is Friday 15th November from 2.00 – 3.15pm and we look forward to welcoming any grandparents who would like to come along. Please share this date/time with your child(ren)'s grandparents.





JOIN OUR LOTTERY



BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS



WIN CASH PRIZES



It's As Easy As



- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- 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.

FAMILY FILM AT ROPETACKLE

TUES 29th OCTOBER – 2pm – cert PG



CINEMA
FOR ALL



EVERYONE WELCOME –
TICKETS FROM THE BOX OFFICE

TELEPHONE 01273 464440
ONLINE WWW.ROPETACKLECENTRE.CO.UK



SCAN FOR DETAILS

ROPETACKLE ARTS CENTRE, LITTLE HIGH STREET, SHOREHAM-BY-SEA, WEST SUSSEX, BN43 5EG

WHAT'S ON THIS HALF TERM

At the Pavillon Theatre and Atrium



Dinosaur Adventure Live!
A roarsome family show
Sat 26 Oct, 11:30am & 2pm



The Brick People
If you love LEGO® you'll love this!
Sun 3 Nov, 9:30am, 10:45am, 12pm, 1:30pm & 2:45pm

At Connaught Cinema



Saturday Morning Pictures
Despicable Me 4
Sat 26 Oct, 10:15am



Royal Ballet & Opera
Wolf Witch Giant Fairy
Sat 26 Oct, 3:30pm & Tue 29 Oct 1:30pm



One for the teens
The Little Shop of Horrors
Thu 31 Oct, 8:30pm



Autism Friendly Screening
The Wild Robot
Sun 3 Nov, 10am
(plus standard screenings from Fri 28th Oct)



Worthing Museum and Art Gallery
Open Wednesday to Sunday
FREE ENTRY

Construction Club

SEND Friendly Session

Get creative. Get imaginative. Get building!

Suitable for children aged 4+ years

This event is free, but booking is essential, as places are limited. Please book via [Shoreham Library](#)

Parents and carers are asked to remain with their child during this activity



Wednesday 30th October
10.30am-12.00pm



Shoreham Library
St Marys Road, Shoreham,
BN43 5ZA
01273 467966
shoreham.library@westsussex.gov.uk



OCTOBER 1/2 TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS



PUMPKIN CATAPULTS

NERF: FORAGE, LOCK & LOAD

POTIONS & WAND MAKING

CIRCUS SKILLS

ZOMBIE SCAVENGER HUNT

CAMPFIRE TREATS

SLIME MAKING

BOOK NOW

ST NICHOLAS AND ST MARY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL, SHOREHAM

MONDAY 28TH OCT

NERF: FORAGE, LOCK & LOAD!

TUESDAY 29TH OCT

CIRCUS SKILLS & SPOOKY FUN

WEDNESDAY 30TH OCT

CAMPFIRE CRAFTS & PUMPKIN CATAPULTS

THURSDAY 31ST OCT

TRICK OR TREAT DAY

FRIDAY 1ST NOV

HARRY POTTER QUIDDITCH, WAND MAKING & POTIONS

JOIN US FOR AUTUMNAL & SPOOKY FUN THIS HALF TERM. EVERY DAY HAS DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES BASED ON THE DAY'S THEME. COME FOR JUST 1 DAY OR THE WEEK. OFSTED REGISTERED. CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED. 9AM TO 3PM. £37.50 PER DAY. AGES 5-11

"BEST HOLIDAY CLUB AROUND" ★★★★★ BOOK NOW

For more info on dates, locations and how the clubs run & to book: WWW.THEOUTDOORSPROJECT.CO.UK

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