

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 17th January 2025

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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 27th – Friday 31st January – Year 6 Bikeability Cycle Training
Tuesday 28th January – Years R & 2 Chinese Dance Workshop
Wednesday 29th January – Year 4 visit to Brighton Sea Life Centre
Friday 31st January – Home Clothes Day – monetary donations for Hands for Hope Charity
Tuesday 4th February – Theme Magic/Science day for children (no donations required)
Friday 7th February 7.00 – 9.00pm – PTA Quiz (see flier at end of newsletter)
Tuesday 11th February 3.15 - 4.15pm Disco for children in Years R, 1, 2 ;
4.15 - 5.30pm Disco for children in Years 3, 4, 5, 6
Wednesday 12th February 9.00 – 10.00am SEND Coffee morning led by Ms Gordon
Monday 17th – Friday 21st February – Half term
Monday 24th – Friday 28th February – Year R Balance Bike Course
Tuesday 25th February – Year 4 Bread Making Session led by Chef John



This Week

We hope that our school families had a restful break over Christmas period. It is lovely to be back at school and the children have quickly settled into routines again. We have enjoyed welcoming Jack from 'Learn, Play, Achieve Football Academy' to lunch playtime on Monday and Wednesdays – where he is supporting children developing their sports skills. The children from both Key Stage One and Two have really enjoyed these sessions. We also welcomed a visit from Deacon Simon, who led an assembly about John the Baptist. We learnt about his life in the wilderness and how he prepared the way for Jesus.

Reception have been writing about Little Red Riding Hood and have learnt not to go in to the woods by ourselves. The children have also made crowns to remember the three kings. Year 1 have been learning and writing "how" questions. Year 2 have been learning all about Beijing and the great wall of China. Did you know that China has the largest population? Year 3 have made fossils and have done creative writing about Pompei. Year 4 have had a fantastic week, especially with our writing where we completed some wonderful narratives about deforestation. Year 5 have made our Space front covers and went swimming for the first time this year. Year 6 have made electrical circuits, we played netball in PE and are enjoying reading Holes.

Christmas Card Competition

As you will remember, before Christmas Lauren Labadie in Year 6 won Tom Rutland MP's Christmas card competition for her age group. The card was sent, amongst others, to the King – see right for the reply Tom received from the King's Private Secretary.



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

The King is most grateful to you for the truly generous message you sent during the Christmas season.

It was extremely kind of you to write to His Majesty, who hopes that you will have a very happy New Year.

Chris Fitzgerald
Deputy Private Secretary to The King

Tesco Stronger Starts Campaign – in store at Eastern Avenue and Holmbush – NOW!

We have recently applied to Tesco to be considered for a project under their Tesco Stronger Starts campaign. We are delighted to let you know that our application has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco Stores (Tesco Extra at the Holmbush Centre and Tesco Express, Upper Shoreham Road) from mid-January 2025 until the end of March 2025.

Our project is to improve the Reception outdoor play area to enable us to purchase more equipment and resources to encourage the children to work together and be creative in the outdoor environment.

Please do vote for us in when you visit Tesco! The project with the highest number of votes will receive £1,500, the second placed project £1,000 and the third placed project £500. Any of these amounts will be really significant for us.

NHS Pharmacy First Service – an NHS service being provided by pharmacies across England for children and adults

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that can help children feel better and back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

<u>Common condition</u>	<u>Patient eligibility</u>
Earache	1 to 17 years
Impetigo	1 year and over
Infected insect bites and stings	1 year and over
Sore throats	5 years and over
Sinusitis	12 years and over
Uncomplicated urinary tract	Women 16 to 64 years
Shingles	18 years and over

*NHS Pharmacy First Service: In pharmacies in England only. Subject to availability. Treatment is subject to suitability assessment. Normal NHS prescription charge rules apply.

Is My Child Too Ill For School?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they are unwell. There are Government guidelines for schools and nurseries about health protection and managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK – <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/chapter-9-managing-specific-infectious-diseases> These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do keep your child at home, please phone/email the school office or log on to Studybugs on the first day – please let us know that your child won't be in and give the reason.

If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, please let their teacher/school office know.

If your child has a high temperature (above 38C), keep them off school until it goes away.

Children with diarrhoea or vomiting should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).



sQuid Online Payments System

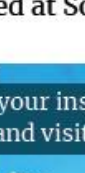

sQuid have now released a new Parent Supportal. This is the new home for parent FAQs and How to Guides and is also where parents and carers will find updates on the latest Customer Portal and sQuid app features, making it even easier to manage your sQuid accounts. Please see link to the Supportal - <https://squidcard.lpages.co/squid-parent-supportal/>

Cumulative Attendance Summary by Class – Week ending 17th January 2025

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.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
94.51	95.80	92.45	96.07	96.56	95.69	93.34

House Points – Week ending 17th January 2025

Starfish 	Rays 	Seahorses 	Seals 
125	136	176	190

Shoreham Port ‘Railway 200’ Drawing Competition

Shoreham Port Drawing Competition

Draw Port Kitchen as part of Railway 200 for a chance to have your drawing displayed at Southwick station!

Use this photo as your inspiration, or why not come and visit us?



We’re celebrating 200 years of modern railway!



The drawing competition is open to children in Key Stage 2 and will be judged by award-winning picture book author and illustrator **Sophy Henn**.

The winner will have their drawing displayed at Southwick Station and will receive a bumper pack of prizes including Port Kitchen vouchers, art supplies and Sophy Henn books.

Send a photo or scan of your drawing to community@shoreham-port.co.uk

Competition closes 14th February

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 apply.

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

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Head of School

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](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)



**THE
BIG
CREES
QUIZ**

Friday, 7th of February
7pm - 9pm St Peter's School Primary School
Alcoholic & non-alcoholic drinks
Snacks
Raffle
£5 per person
Max 8 people per table
Tickets will be available via sQuid soon

SAVE THE DATE

Gift Amnesty

Parents, staff and friends!

Can you help us raise funds for the school this year?

If you received any gifts at Christmas or on a birthday that aren't quite to your taste (or you got two the same) we'd love any donations that can be used as prizes or at future events.

Where to drop them off

Please bring your donations to the school office (there will be a box in the reception area for you to place your donations) any time from Monday 20th – Friday 24th January 2025.

Thank you!

From The Friends of St Peter's Association



FAMILY FILM AT ROPETACKLE

SAT 18th JANUARY – 3pm – 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

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Your School Lottery

Kick off 2025 the perfect way when you play our lottery! In our first Super Draw of the New Year, one lucky person will walk away with a cool £1,000 Aldi Gift Card. Just imagine the Specialbuys you could find with £1,000 to spend - you might just go in for bread and milk, but who knows what amazing possibilities you'll leave with from the Aisle of Aldi!? Or simply stock your cupboards with Super 6 veg, Super Weekly offers on meat, and more - the choice is yours! Get your tickets before Saturday 25th January to be in with a chance to win!

We currently have 46 tickets sold on a weekly basis; our target is 100 so it would be great if a few more people could sign up!



<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-peters-catholic-primary-school-shoreham>

Please do support our School Lottery if you are able to. We receive regular donations which really support our fundraising. To date we have received £968 which is amazing. Thank you for your support.