



ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 26th September 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 29th September – Year 2 Pirate Day
Wednesday 1st October 2pm onwards – Grandparents afternoon
Thursday 2nd October – Year 5 visit to Shoreham Fort
Tuesday 7th October – Individual and sibling group photos
Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th October 3.30 – 6.00pm – Parents Evenings
Wednesday 8th October – Year 6 height & weight checks (School Nurse)
Thursday 9th October – Year 3 visit to Drusillas
Tuesday 14th October 9.00am – Year R Harvest Festival) Please see below
Tuesday 14th October 2.30pm KS1 Harvest Festival) for details of
Wednesday 15th October 2.30pm KS2 Harvest Festival) donations requested by Turning Tides
Thursday 16th October – Flu Immunisations – whole school (information was sent by email on 17th September)
Tuesday 21st October 1.45 – 2.45pm Year R 2026 open afternoon
Wednesday 22nd October – Year 2 Geography walk to Shoreham
Wednesday 22nd October 3.15 – 4.15pm Year R & KS1 Disco / 4.15 – 5.30pm KS2 Disco – Tickets available on the School Gateway app (payments section) Children in Years R, 1, 2 will go straight to the disco from their classes.
Saturday 25th October 9.30 – 11.00am – Year R 2026 Stay & Play session
Monday 27th – Friday 31st October – Half Term
Monday 3rd November – Children return to school
Wednesday 5th November – Bag2School Textile Collection



This Week

We are delighted to welcome our new Roving Reporter George W.
We have had a very busy week in school. On Monday, Fr Graham came in to school and led our Welcome Back liturgy; it was lovely to see him. We had our first Fire Drill of the academic year on Tuesday; we were very proud of how well the children exited the building quietly and lined up on the playground. Today, LPA Football have come in to school to lead football sessions for all the children in their classes, which the children have really enjoyed. Our thanks to Joel and Christian for leading the sessions. Our Friends Association had their Annual General Meeting this morning which was combined with a coffee morning in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support. Thanks to everyone who came along. This week Reception have been learning the Creation story and in their Maths have been doing careful counting. Year 1 have been adding using part whole models – I'm sure they will explain it to you! Year 2 have been writing Pirate descriptions ahead of their Pirate day next Monday and have also been learning about nouns. Year 3 have been learning French and also had a gymnastics lesson with the specialist teacher from Shoreham Academy. Year 4 have been writing about tomb raiders. Year 5 have been writing a diary of an evacuee and Year 6 visited Brighton earlier in the week – they went to the pier and also conducted a tourist survey of popular tourist places to visit.

School Closure Days 2025/26

Please see below dates of our Inservice days for the academic year 2025/26.



Tuesday 2nd September 2025
Monday 1st December 2025
Monday 13th April 2026
Monday 1st June 2026
Monday 29th June 2026
Wednesday 22nd July 2026



Harvest Festival

Please see dates above for our Harvest Festival services this year. Everyone welcome to attend. This year we are collecting donations for Turning Tides homeless charity. They have asked us for the following items-



Drinks

Coffee, squash, bottled water, small/large cartons of juice, sugar, carton milk



Basics

Tomato & brown sauce, instant porridge pots, cereal, snack bars, baked beans, spaghetti hoops, tinned tomatoes

Spreads

Jam, marmalade, marmite,

Toiletries

Combination shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste, tooth brushes, roll-on deodorants



Your gifts go straight to people experiencing homelessness to nourish and support their health, wellbeing, dignity and happiness. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

School Gateway App

If you haven't already done so, a reminder to please download the School Gateway app from either the apple or android store. We are using the School Gateway app for breakfast club bookings, school trip payments, emails and app messages. Can we ask that you please check in the payment section of the app for any outstanding trip payments; please make payment for these at your earliest convenience. School trips next academic year will not be booked/take place if insufficient payments are received to cover the cost of the visit as the school is not currently in a financial position to be able to top up the costs of educational visits.

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Concerned about the impact of smartphones on children and tens?

Join us for an eye-opening evening featuring –

- Leading Sussex experts sharing insights on the impact of smartphones on young people.
- The latest research and evidence.
- Powerful stories from real people with real experiences
- A chance to ask questions and get practical guidance and support.

Thursday 23rd October 2025 6.30 – 8.30pm Shoreham Academy, Kingston lane, Shoreham by Sea.

Tickets are free, available on a first come, first served basis by emailing shorehamsfc@gmail.com



Let's talk about kids and smartphones

Come along to an open, non-judgemental conversation about the impacts of smartphones on children and young people

When	Where
Thursday 23 rd October 2025 18:30 - 20:30 Doors open 18:00 for a prompt start	Shoreham Academy, Kingston Lane, Shoreham-by-Sea, BN43 6YT

Book Now
<https://uma.com/b2z4hd6v/>

Our guest speakers include

- Mandy Marshall-Taylor - Panel Host**
As a Naked Truth Project Associate, Mandy works to educate and raise awareness of the harmful effects of pornography on children and young people.
- Dr. Eleanor Mason**
A West Sussex NHS GP for 12 years, Eleanor brings unique insights into the impact of smartphones on children's mental health.
- Mr. David Smith**
As Head Teacher of Fulham Boys School, David has led groundbreaking reforms to completely remove smartphones from school.
- DCI Luke Kyriakides-Yeldham**
Part of Sussex Police's Online Child Abuse Team, Luke shall address the dangers of indecent image sharing, sexting, sextortion, and online grooming.
- Tom Rutland MP**
Tom Rutland is the Labour MP for East Worthing and Shoreham.

Smartphone Free Childhood is a grassroots movement bringing families together to stand up for healthier, happier childhoods.

WEBSITE: SMARTPHONEFREECHILDHOOD.ORG
SOCIALS: [SMARTPHONEFREECHILDHOOD](https://www.instagram.com/smartphonefreechildhood)

Cumulative Attendance Summary by Class – Week ending 26th September 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 the start of the academic year to present.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98.55	97.59	98.29	97.84	90.49	98.39	91.29

House Points – Week ending 26th September 2025

Starfish 	Rays 	Seahorses 	Seals 
100	96	97	100

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 which 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>

Alternatively, visit First4Uniform in Lancing who have the kit in stock.



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&utm_source=Facebook&utm_campaign=dd-may-24&utm_term=Q1244&utm_content=socialshare



Book your next holiday this week and TUI will donate a massive £125 to our school, at no extra cost to you. Offer ends at midnight on Sunday 28th September.



Your School Lottery

This weekend brings back one of the most popular Super Draws for September – a £1,000 Aldi gift card (or £1,000 cash of course!)

Your regular weekly tickets already enter you into the draw to win this fantastic prize but you can top-up your tickets for extra chances to win.

Happy with the tickets you already have? Why not Refer a Friend to Your School Lottery?

To start supporting the school visit YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/Play and search for St Peter's Catholic

Your support is much appreciated as we receive regular donations from Your School Lottery which really do help our fundraising.

Neither the Governors nor Bosco CET support or recommend the advice, products or services offered nor the organisations offering them. Individuals should satisfy themselves on the suitability of any of the advice, products or services and on the nature and standing of these organisations (or any mentioned in this newsletter or any other publication)

IT'S FRIDAY...LET'S PARTY!

FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

4.30-6pm

**PRE PAID
TICKETS
£5
PER
PERSON**

Beans on toast!

DANCING

GAMES

MAGIC

SILLINESS

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DRINK &
LICENSED
BAR!**

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- 🎸 Fun and inclusive in-school band lessons. No music theory involved.
- 🎧 Follow their musical journey in your Backstage account.
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- 🎹 Instruments provided and no experience necessary.

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PLACE ONLINE**



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Calling all mothers

*Including spiritual
mothers, godmothers
and grandmothers*



**You are invited to come and
pray for our children**

***Meetings on first Friday of each month,
10—11am in the St Peter's Parish Room***

For more information, contact Tessa Ricketts via
Parish Office: adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk





Thinking about becoming a Catholic?

***Or are you already a Catholic but would
like to learn more about the faith?***

Come and See

Upcoming dates (all start 7.30pm)

7th & 21st October 2025

4th & 18th November 2025

2nd & 16th December 2025

No need to book, just come along to any session.

**Venue: St Peter's Church Parish Room, West Street,
Shoreham-by-Sea, BN43 5WG**

adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk / 01273 452654



 **October Half Term Mindfulness Pony Day for Kids!** 

Date: Wednesday 29th October 2025

Time: 9am- 2pm

Location: Ponies 'n' Kids, Eaton Thorne Stables, Woodmancote, Nr Henfield, W.Sussex, BN5 9AG

Join us for a magical day designed especially for children ages 5-11! Dive into a world of peace, friendship, and mindfulness, all while experiencing the calming presence of our adorable ponies.

 **What to Expect:**

-  Mindfulness Time with Ponies
-  Pony Care
-  Riding and Mounted Games
-  Connect with Nature
-  Make New Friends

Scan the QR code or click this link to book: [Mindfulness Pony Day 29th October 2025](#)



Cost: £140 per child

BY PURCHASING A TICKET VIA EVENTBRITE, YOU ARE PAYING £40 DEPOSIT. YOU WILL BE INVOICED VIA EMAIL FOR THE OUTSTANDING AMOUNT ON 15TH OCTOBER.

Spaces limited to 15 children

We are an inclusive team and warmly welcome children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). We celebrate diversity and are committed to providing a supportive environment where every child can thrive.



After School Club for Peaceful, Creative Play

We offer a creative, child-led, nurturing environment for children to balance out before returning home.

We are all about **FASCINATION** and **CURIOSITY!**

What we offer:

LEGO GADGETS INSTRUMENTS

ART STORY CREATION CHARACTER DESIGN

HEALTHY SNACKS

DETAILS:

St Giles Church, Upper Shoreham Road

****EVERY WEDNESDAY****

3:30pm - 5:15pm



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