

## ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Newsletter

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025

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Please visit the school website [www.stpeterscatholicprimary.com](http://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

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 9.00am – Year R Harvest Festival ) Please see below  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2.30pm KS1 Harvest Festival ) for details of donations  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2.30pm KS2 Harvest Festival ) requested by Turning Tides  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Flu Immunisations – whole school -  
(information was sent by email on 17<sup>th</sup> September and 8<sup>th</sup> October. Please ensure you have completed the consent form via the link in the letter attached to the email)  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 1.45 – 2.45pm Year R 2026 open afternoon  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Year 2 Geography walk to Shoreham  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> October 9.30 – 11.00am – Year R 2026 Stay & Play session  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Half Term  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Children return to school  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Bag2School Textile Collection  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 9.00am – SEND coffee morning with Reaching Families.  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November – Year 2 visit to the Weald & Downland Museum  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November 1.45 – 2.45pm Year R 2026 open afternoon  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November 9.30 – 11.00am Year R 2026 Stay & Play session



#### This Week

We have, once again, had a busy week in school. We celebrated Grandparents day with lots of visitors on the afternoon of 1<sup>st</sup> October; it was lovely to see so many grandparents visiting their grandchildren in their classes and sharing their learning. We held our termly parents evenings this week and it was good for teachers to be able to share children's learning and progress with you.

Reception have been practising for their Harvest Festival next week. They have also been learning about farmyard animals and reading the book Farmer Duck. Year 1 have been very busy with their Maths and even went outside to do addition using natural materials like leaves and twigs; they thought this was great fun! Year 2 have made their Pirate ships and also wrote about their recent Pirate Day. Year 2 also had some very special visitors on Tuesday. Three volunteers from B & Q in Worthing came and refurbished the Year 2 outdoor area with a shed full of gardening equipment, seeds, compost etc, some benches and garden planters. The children were very excited and we are very grateful to B & Q for their support. Year 3 visited Drusillas and were very excited to meet all the animals; they took part in some workshops to enhance their learning of the current Africa topic. They have also been making their African masks. Year 4, as part of their Egypt topic, have been mummifying a tomato and making instructions on how to do this. As part of their research they found out that vinegar rots your teeth more than most other food products! Year 5 visited Shoreham Fort as part of the WW2 topic and have written about their visit. They have been learning about common multiples and what sin is in RE. Year 6 have been writing a guide about Brighton after their recent visit. They have also been learning about Bodmas in maths.

#### Sullington Way

We have received several complaints about the number of cars coming in to Sullington Way at drop off and pick up times. Can we, again, please remind parents/carers/grandparents that we would respectfully ask if you do not come in to Sullington Way but instead park in the surrounding roads, by the allotments, in Buckingham Park etc. Thank you for your consideration.

### Tom Rutland's Christmas Card Competition

We have received the following from MP Tom Rutland's office –

I am delighted to invite pupils in your school to take part in my second Christmas card competition! We had so many brilliant entries last year, it was really hard to choose - I am looking forward to having to make those tricky decisions again!

The winning entries from this competition will have their designs used on Christmas cards that I will be sending to local charities, companies and organisations. I will also be sending Christmas cards to the King, the Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister.

There will be a winner for each of these three categories:

- Reception and KS1
- Year 3 & 4
- Year 5 & 6



### **Please note the design requirements:**

- All entries need to be in A4 portrait layout
- Sadly, no stickers/glitter/cotton wool etc – as we are unable to scan and print
- Please ensure that the child's name, school year and school are clearly written on reverse

In previous years, children from St Peter's have done very well in the competition and we are keen to enter again this year. Please return any entries to the school office by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025 latest.

### 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. Please bring your donations in to school next Tuesday and Wednesday (14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>).

### Arriving at School on Time

We would like to remind parents that we expect all children to arrive on time ready to start the day and to be punctual to all lessons, as we have recently noticed quite a few pupils coming late to school. Arriving on time is a great start to the day, putting your child in the right frame of mind to make the most of the day's learning. Good punctuality is linked to good attendance which we know leads to better outcomes for children and young people.

Arriving on time –

- Sets good habits for adult working life.
- Maximises educational achievement.
- Helps your child develop friendships and relationships.
- Boosts your child's confidence and self-esteem.

Arriving late, however –

- Puts your child at an immediate disadvantage to other children who have arrived on time.
- Means your child misses important information at the start of lessons.

- Is embarrassing for your child.
- Disrupts lessons for other students.
- Can damage your child's confidence and self-esteem.

The gates open at 8.30am and children should be in class, ready to start their learning, at 8.40am. Any child arriving at school after 8.40am should come to the school office and will receive a late mark in the register. The registers will close at 9.00am. Any child arriving after this time, without a valid reason, will receive an unauthorised absence mark. Parents/carers whose children regularly arrive late could be deemed to be failing in their responsibility to ensure regular attendance at school and parents/carers can be issued with a Penalty Notice or even prosecuted in the Magistrates Court. The Education Act 1996 (section 444) allows for legal proceedings to be instigated by the Local Authority.

At St Peter's we firmly believe that working in partnership with parents/carers is the best way to improve outcomes for our children. If you are worried about your child's punctuality, please contact us to discuss any issues you may be having. We monitor attendance and punctuality closely and if your child is regularly late, we may contact you to discuss how we can work together to improve the situation. In some cases, we may invite you in to school for a meeting to discuss how we can best support you to improve your child's punctuality.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

### **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Thank you to everyone who came along to the recent Friends Association Annual General Meeting and Macmillan coffee morning. It was lovely to see so many people supporting the Friends Association and we look forward to some great fundraising events in the future.

The coffee morning raised £35 for Macmillan and this has been safely received by them. They have responded to our donation and said – "Your kindness makes a huge difference. It could mean someone with cancer can get help with how they're feeling on our Support Line, pay their bills during treatment, or turn to a Macmillan nurse for vital medical practical and emotional support. We are very grateful for your donation and please pass on our thanks to everyone who supported your event."





### **Cumulative Attendance Summary by Class** – Week ending 10<sup>th</sup> October 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.

<b>Reception</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Year 6</b>
97.98	97.65	98.86	98.26	93.02	98.27	92.46

### **House Points** – Week ending 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025

<b>Starfish</b> 	<b>Rays</b> 	<b>Seahorses</b> 	<b>Seals</b> 
188	114	102	68

### **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](mailto: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](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](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/spcps/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=Facebook&utm_campaign=dd-may-24&utm_term=Q1244&utm_content=socialshare)

# Become a School Appeal Volunteer



## Help with school admission appeals – volunteer today!

### Who can apply?

- People from all walks of life are welcome!
- No specific qualifications needed – just fairness and impartiality.

### Your role:

- Hear appeals from parents/carers and schools.
- Ensure fair and respectful treatment.
- Make independent decisions based on evidence.

### Skills we value:

- Communication, listening, analytical thinking, teamwork.
- Confidentiality and professionalism.

### Time commitment:

- Appeals happen throughout the year.
- Panels may meet in person or virtually (You will need to use your own device).

### Training & Support:

- Full training provided, expenses reimbursed.
- Supported by experienced clerks and governance teams.

### Why it matters:

- Your contribution ensures that pupils and schools have their voices heard.

**To arrange an informal chat about this role and if it is right for you contact:  
[appealsadministrator@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:appealsadministrator@westsussex.gov.uk)**

# FIRST HOLY 25/2026 COMMUNION

## Parents Meeting

There will be an information meeting for parents only, who wish their **children 8 years old** to receive First Holy Communion in May 2026. The meeting will be held in **Saint Mary of the Angel Church on Monday 3rd of November at 7 pm.** It is most important that all interested parents from both of our Worthing and Lancing churches attend.

Enrol your child to begin formation to receive First Holy Communion. The enrolment form will remain active till 20th of October.



WORTHING & LANCING PARISH

For further details, contact Fr Ireneusz (Irek) Stadler.

Email – worthingandlancing@abdiocese.org.uk

## Your School Lottery



For October's Super Draw there is the chance to win the all new iPhone 17 Pro (or £1,000 cash!).

This just-released, top of the range iPhone has an aluminium unibody that maximises performance, battery and durability, with Apple Intelligence, a state-of-the-art GPU for gaming and the most advanced iPhone camera system ever with 3 x 48MP cameras giving 8x optical zoom for professional photos and the highest quality video in a smartphone.

It could make the perfect upgrade for you, or an ideal Christmas present for someone special!

*To start supporting the school visit [YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/Play](https://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.

FAMILY FILM AT ROPETACKLE

THUR 30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER — 11am — cert U



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FOR ALL



EVERYONE WELCOME –  
TICKETS FROM THE BOX OFFICE

TELEPHONE 01273 464440  
ONLINE [WWW.ROPETACKLECENTRE.CO.UK](http://WWW.ROPETACKLECENTRE.CO.UK)

£4.00

SCAN FOR DETAILS

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



# Hands on Art Club

## October Half Term Art Workshops

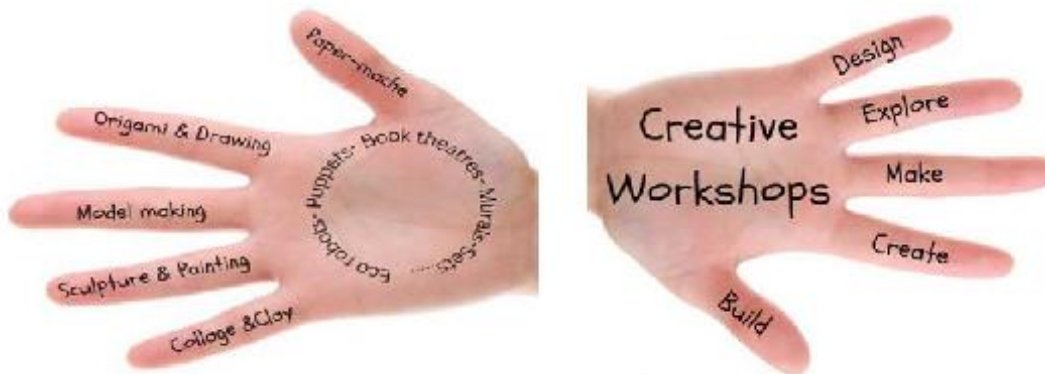
Make, draw, build, sculpt, design!

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Small groups – Aged 6+ - Drop off 9am-3pm - £35 per day

@The Circular Space, Ham Rd, Shoreham



## Bring your ideas to life!

Time to explore your ideas, different materials,  
creative techniques and your imagination!

Run by Hanna Boal - Qualified Teacher, Community Artist & Maker- DBS & Insured

Book Now - [hanskibol88@gmail.com](mailto:hanskibol88@gmail.com) 07912 569 481

Instagram- HandsOn\_bringyourideastolife





# **October Half Term Netball Camp**



**Wed 29th Oct  
10am-1pm  
@Shoreham  
Academy  
£15**



**Email Hazel-  
[Shoreham.netball.club@gmail.com](mailto:Shoreham.netball.club@gmail.com)**

# WORTHING TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Monday 27th October  
1pm - 3pm

# TRY TABLE TENNIS

# £5

QUALIFIED DBS CHECKED COACHES  
ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

## Ages 6 - 13

Lancing Parish Hall,  
96 South St,  
Lancing  
BN15 8AJ

Booking  
QR Code



Club of the Year  
Winner



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## 🌿 October Half Term Mindfulness Pony Day for Kids! 🌿

**Date:** Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> 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.**

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