

## ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Newsletter

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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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 10<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 – 4.00pm – Scholastic Book Fair in the school hall

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 11.00 – 3.00pm – Years 5 & 6 to Shoreham Academy – performance of Mary Poppins

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 Harry Potter themed Science Day at St Oscar Romero School

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm – Rocksteady concert

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 Level 1 Bikeability training

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March – RepTylers animals & creatures visit to Year 4

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Chef John visit to Year 4 – bread making/front of house sessions

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – last day of Spring term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April – School Easter holidays

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Inservice day – school closed

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Children return to school

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 3.30pm – Year 6 parents meeting re SATs tests – Year 6 classroom.



### This Week

Year R children have been really enjoying their balance bike lessons this week and are making good progress. Year 1 have been working hard on their Moroccan inspired dance and starting to learn about Morocco in geography. Year 2 have been learning about the U.K and all the countries that make it up. The children also drew some patterns in art using pastels and fine liner pens. Year 3 have been trying to win the Biscuit cup in TT Rockstars and learning about the story of Beowulf. Year 4 have learnt improper fractions and also been reading the book The Twits. The children have also been writing about Indiana Jones. Year 5 have been learning about working area and perimeter in Maths and also reading the story The Boy who Cried Wolf. Year 6 children found out this week which secondary school they will be going to in September. They also finished their work on balanced arguments about The Highwayman.

The children really enjoyed taking part in World Book Day yesterday and there were some amazing costumes which were celebrated in a special World Book Day assembly yesterday – thank you, as always for your support of this event. Please see our Instagram page for pictures of some of the children dressed up. Today the children are going to different classes to listen to a story read by another teacher, which we are sure they will enjoy.

A reminder that we will have our Book Fair in the school hall on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 3.30 – 4.00pm. Please do come along and support the Book Fair – we receive commission on all books purchased which enables us to buy more books for school. Payment for the books is by cash and card.

### Parent Governor Election

We are pleased to advise that Matthew Withers has been elected as Parent Governor at the school for a four year term of office. Only one nomination was received so a ballot was not necessary. The Governors are looking forward to welcoming Matthew to the Local Governing Committee at their next meeting later this month.

### Elvis Night

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Elvis fundraising night on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February. "Suspiciously Elvis" was on great form and performed some of Elvis' top songs, bringing Las Vegas to St Peter's! Thank you to the Friends Association for organising the event and also Mr & Mrs Whitby for their very generous contribution. The event raised around £1,230 which is amazing. A great night was had by all.

### **Adur East Family Hub – Free Support for Local Families**

Adur East Family Hub in Middle Road, Shoreham by Sea, offers a range of free support, activities and resources for families with babies, toddlers and young children. Parents and carers are welcome to drop in, get advice or join their sessions.

What they offer –

- Free, welcoming social space for families (Monday to Friday 9.15am – 4.30pm)
- Sensory Toy Library with specialist toys to borrow
- Free “Magic Carpet” interactive sensory room (bookable)
- Bookstart books for young children
- Tooth-brushing kits and guidance
- Friendly information, advice and support around any family worries
- Signposting to local services and community support
- Referrals for Enabling Families or Early Help
- Free groups and activities for babies, toddlers and families

Contact the Hub –

Adur East Family Hub, Middle Road, Shoreham by Sea BN43 6GA

Tel 01273 467998

Email – [AdurFamilyHubs@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:AdurFamilyHubs@westsussex.gov.uk)

Families are welcome to get in touch or just drop in during opening hours (9.00am – 5.00pm on weekdays)

### **Eastern Avenue Safe Crossing**

We have been asked to share the below message with parents –

Hello, my name is David Turner, I am one of the parents of pupils at St Nicolas & St Mary’s School.

As some of you may be aware I have been on a fact-finding mission investigating how we can get a Zebra crossing (or any other safe crossing) installed near the top of Eastern Avenue to allow a safer road use for everyone.

As we have all experienced, it is a very busy road especially at morning drop off and afternoon pick up, with cars driving at excessive speed and with rarely any consideration for the pupils crossing the road.

According to the West Sussex Council Highways department we would need to apply for a Community Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) and get support from our local Councillors, the local businesses as well as support from the wider local community, that being those living in the immediate area and of course us parents! Ideally in the form of email addresses/other contact details so support can be verified.

To that end, can I ask that you drop me an email – [zebra@itdt.co.uk](mailto:zebra@itdt.co.uk)

I have already secured support from two County Councillors and our local MP and I am in the process of writing to others as well as the local businesses in the area to get their support.

So, what do I need from you? Your support ideally and/or any help you are able to provide to ensure the TRO is successful.

Thanks for reading, I shall keep you informed as to my progress.

David Turner





### **Cumulative Attendance Summary by Class** – Week ending 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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>
96.43	96.51	98.17	96.07	94.83	97.57	93.14

### **House Points** – Week ending 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

<b>Starfish</b> 	<b>Rays</b> 	<b>Seahorses</b> 	<b>Seals</b> 
389	418	303	348

## 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.



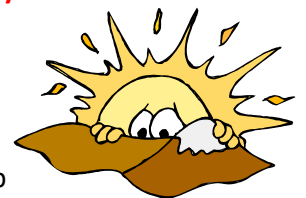
### Sunrise Breakfast Club

**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 School Gateway app (clubs section). For further information please contact the school office. It is possible to pay for your child's sessions at Breakfast Club

using childcare vouchers. If you would like to do this, please contact Liz Matthews in the school office prior to booking the sessions. - 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*

Mr M English  
Head of School

## **Amazon Wishlist**

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/lr/YOTQO1KCEUO2/ref=nav\\_wishlist\\_lists\\_1?encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/lr/YOTQO1KCEUO2/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1?encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist)

## **Easyfundraising**

Shop with over 8,000 retailers via #easyfundraising this year and earn a free donation for us at the same time.

All the big names like eBay, Argos, John Lewis & Partners, Etsy, Tesco and Just Eat are ready to donate. It won't cost you anything extra!

It is currently peak-time for holiday bookings and, when a getaway is booked with TUI this month, it could earn the school a £125 donation thanks to TUI and easyfundraising. Only available until 31<sup>st</sup> March, and exclusive to schools and PTAs, every holiday booked with TUI via easyfundraising by a supporter of the school will raise a £125 donation.

*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)*

## Your School Lottery



This month one supporter could win this amazing Home Robot Bundle in the March Super Draw – and make spring cleaning a breeze!

The winner could be taking home a Roomba 405 Plus combo vacuum and mop for carpets and hard floors and a Lawnmaster Ocumow to keep the garden under control – all while you focus on the important things! Of course, there is always the £1,000 cash alternative too – or our winner can choose to go green and plant 1,000 trees!

There is still a chance to win the £25,000 jackpot prize each week with 40% of your ticket purchase going back to the school and now 25% of ticket sales each week going to one lucky supporter as a guaranteed prize each week! (Terms of play will be updated from 29<sup>th</sup> November to reflect this change.)

*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.



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to invite parents from our Deanery schools to attend an information evening organised in partnership with the charity **Smartphone Free Childhood** (<https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org>)

The event will take place on **Wednesday 11 March** at 6pm at St Oscar Romero's and will focus on the impact of smartphones and digital devices on children and young people, including their wellbeing, safeguarding, sleep, learning, and social development. All are welcome.

This event features a panel of experts discussing the multifaceted impact of smartphones on young people, covering cyber security, physical health, and online safety.

- *Mr Daniel Sykes* – Representing Surrey Police (Cyber Protection Team), he provides specialist insights into digital safety and the legal implications of online activity for youth.
- *Dr Eleanor Mason* – A General Practitioner in West Sussex; Dr Mason brings a medical perspective to the developmental and physical impacts of device usage.
- *Mandy Marshall-Taylor* - An educator from the Naked Truth Project, she focuses on the damaging effects of online content and pornographic material, helping young people navigate romantic relationships in a digital world.

There is also an opportunity to look at Smartphone alternatives, during the course of this evening.

The evening will provide an opportunity to hear from key individuals with expertise in this area and therefore a chance to reflect on the evidence, and consider how schools and families can work together to support children's safety, wellbeing, and learning.

If you would like to attend please can you complete the following Google form Link.

<https://forms.gle/ZHuVFbaSWXxHznc77>

Yours sincerely,

All the best  
Mr S Bell  
Deputy Headteacher

# THE DOCK YOUTH CLUB

Church of  
The Good Shepherd,  
Church Hall,  
Kings Walk,  
Shoreham-by-Sea

**BOOKING NOW OPEN!**

**8TH MARCH • 4PM-5.30PM**

**Ages 11-14**



Message

**[mrsamycok@yaho.com](mailto:mrsamycok@yaho.com)**



PRESH-EAT

# It's Party Time!

★ Fun for the whole family! ★

Disco & Magic Show  
with Tom Foolery

Come celebrate our newly renovated garden!

Friday 27th March

4:30 - 6:00pm

Tickets  
£6pp

To book contact 01273 077000

PRESH-EAT

# FOOD & FUN with the Reptiles

BANK HOLIDAY FUN

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April  
2pm - 4pm

HALF TERM FUN

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April  
11:30am - 1:30pm  
2pm - 4pm

TICKETS  
£6pp

TO BOOK CONTACT

01273 077000

• LICENSED BAR • FOOD & DRINK AVAILABLE •



[www.yourspacetherapies.org](http://www.yourspacetherapies.org)

## ❁ Easter Holiday Mindfulness Pony Day for Kids! ❁

**Dates: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April**

**Time: 9.30am- 2pm**

**Location: Hill Crest Farm, Horsham**

*Join us for a magical day of ponies, riding, art, friendship, and mindfulness!*

✦ **What to Expect:**

♥ **Mindfulness Time with Ponies**

□ **Pony Care**

🐾 **Riding and Mounted Games**

♣ **Connect with Arts and Nature**

🎨 **Make New Friends**

**Click the links or scan the QR code to book the day of your choice:**

**[Thursday 2nd April- Mindfulness Pony Day- Book Now!](#)**

**[Friday 10th April- Mindfulness Pony Day- Book Now!](#)**



**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 27<sup>th</sup> MARCH.*

**Spaces limited to 10 children per day**

**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.**



# Easter Netball Camp

 [Docs.google.com](https://docs.google.com)



**Friday 10th April**  
**10am-1pm**  
**@ Shoreham Academy**  
**School years 3-8**