



St. Peter's Newsletter

Flourishing Together

'I have come that you may have life, life in all its fullness' John 10:10

Friday 1st September 2023



We can't wait for you to be back at school!

We hope you have had a wonderful summer holiday. It always feels like time has gone far too quick.

Staff have managed to have a good rest and are making the final preparations for the children returning to school on Monday.

Remember school will start at 8:45 and the gates need to be closed at this time. The gates will open at 8:35 for children to come into the playground and they will begin making their way into class for 8:40.

Children in KS2 (Y3-6) are to wave their parents goodbye at the double blue gates and make their way independently into the playground. We will have staff out on duty to make sure they are ok. I appreciate that this is a big change for our Y3 children as they move into KS2. However, it is important to build independence.

Parents / carers for Reception and KS1 children make their way to the lower playground and when they hear the bell, make their way to their classrooms.

Reception children are joining from Monday on a part time basis. They will come to school 8:40 – 11:30 until Thursday and then will be staying for lunch. Again, we will make sure we have support in EYFS to welcome the children who may find the transition to school a little tricky.

Have a lovely weekend and we can't wait to see you on Monday.

Mrs Dodd

The New Playground / Play Space

We hope you love your child's new play space! We are so thankful and grateful to The Friends and all parents/carers for their years of fundraising to make something happen! We are working hard to develop timetables and rotas to use all the areas and will make sure each class has a very special extra playtime next week to explore.

The MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) will be locked every morning and night time and only used through the school day and after school club.

We do kindly ask that until we have devised our plans for usage, that you don't allow your child (KS1) to use the trim trail in the morning. It has to be supervised by a staff member for health and safety reasons and we can not accept responsibility for accidents during the morning and at school pick up.

All equipment will be out of use during morning drop off and afternoon pick up.

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Please Label Your Uniform and Belongings



We have still got a lot of lost property from prior to the Summer Holiday. We will have one final sort out of this property this week and if it does not get collected, we will be donating it to the Uniform Hub. If you know your child is missing key items from the summer term, please pop in and have a look through.

To avoid this going forward, we kindly request that all items of clothing, bottles, lunch boxes, hats, etc. are all clearly labelled. This will enable us to get the items back to the children quickly. This could be done with a sharpie if you do not have labels.

Uniform

It is expected that all children will return to school in full school uniform, including school shoes – not boots or trainers. We have only made one slight change to school uniform, which is that children are able to wear plain red polo t-shirts if you prefer / do not have access to the badged ones.

Any child with hair above shoulder length should have their hair tied back in a neutral or school coloured band. No big bows or big headbands please.

After School Club Provision



From Monday 4th September – After School Childcare Provision

After school club begins on Monday 4th September. Please ensure you have booked your places. For those who have booked, you should have received an email to confirm this before the summer holiday. We will be uploading the charges to ParentPay under 'Afterschool Club' this week once all our new Reception children have been setup on the system, within the first few days of term.

KS1 children will be collected by a member of the team from their classroom.

KS2 children will be expected to go to the afterschool club team on the playground and they will take them to the hall.

All children will be registered in the hall and given a snack, prior to activities beginning at 3:30pm.

They will be joined by a sports coach from Morecambe Football Club who will do 30 minutes of activities with KS1 and 30 minutes with KS2, before crafts, lego, table tennis, colouring etc.

We are trying to keep costs as low as possible. 3:15 – 5:30pm (£6.50). Remember you can also pay using Tax Free Childcare!

You will be able to collect at anytime. There will be a door bell / intercom system on the main door. Please ring and a member of the team will then ensure your child is handed over to you.

This does mean the blue gates will be locked at 3:30 each day so that the children can utilise the playground. Can all parents please ensure they have left site by this time.

Change in circumstances / details

If your details have changed over the summer e.g. address, phone number, key contacts. Please can you ensure you email or let the school office know. It is extremely important that we have a minimum of two emergency contact numbers in line with our safeguarding arrangements.

Also, if you have had a change in circumstances or if there has been anything significant which could impact on your child e.g. separation, bereavement, move of house, family changes. Please inform the class teacher or Mrs Rigby so we can ensure we can monitor and support your child's emotional well being. All information will be confidential. We just want to be able to ensure the best support for your child.

Mrs Rigby's Family Learning Mentor Updates

Mrs Rigby's new family space has been created! Her wonderful husband, Mr Rigby has been putting the final coats of paint on the walls.

One of her previous families who she worked with, Mrs Parkinson has spent the holidays upcycling the donated furniture and reupholstering them. They look wonderful and I know Mrs Rigby can't wait to share the before and after pictures over the next week.

Please remember that Mrs Rigby has parent drop-in sessions which you book to discuss worries, concerns about your child's emotional well-being. She can advise on managing behaviour in the home, worries, sleep routines, developing positivity and overcoming challenges. She also helps to improve attendance, reduce lates and work in collaboration with the family to provide the best support for your child! This does not always mean 1:1 support with Mrs. Rigby. Very often small changes and a few things to be put in place in class can have a huge impact. We do recognise that the 6 week holiday may have presented lots of challenges!

My affirmation to you this week is: You Are Strong
Remember to repeat to yourself: I AM Strong

Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing Monday 4th September

Monday 4th September	School starts at 8:40 – PLEASE BE ON TIME!
Tuesday 5th September	
Wednesday 6th September	5pm – 5:30pm - Meet the teacher 5:30pm – 6pm - Meet the teacher
Thursday 7th September	
Friday 8th September	No parents at whole school worship in week 1.

Reminder of Key Dates for the Next Half Term – I will be updating the calendar for the year and will make sure dates are put on the online calendar.

Year 4 will be swimming this term! This will start on our second week back, with the first lesson being delivered on Monday 11th September.

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Community Events



10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL

VINTAGE BY THE SEA

SAT 2ND & SUN 3RD SEPTEMBER 2023 - **MORECAMBE**

FREE FAMILY FESTIVAL

Jellyfish Theatre & THE WAGON OF DREAMS
STREET THEATRE

THE MIDLAND HOTEL'S TORCH CLUB BALL

New Artist COMMISSIONS!
RAJASTHAN HERITAGE TRASS BAND

* **Variety Performance** at the Melodrome Stage
KITSCH AND SYNC COLLECTIVE

FEAST YOUR EYES ON THE SHOW-STOPPING CLASSIC CAR SHOW!

BRAND NEW WORKSHOPS FOR ALL THE FAMILY

HERITAGE BUS RIDES with Ribble Vehicle Preservation Trust

Soul Saturday & Sonic Sunday DJs at **THE ROUTEMASTER BUS BAR**

VINTAGE MOBILE CINEMA

Indulge in an authentic makeover at THE VINTAGE HAIR & BEAUTY SALON

CRAFT MARKETPLACE AT THE MIDLAND HOTEL curated by *Hopeful & Glorious*

VINTAGE MARKETPLACE curated by **Dottys Vintage**

Dance LESSONS

Vintage FAIRGROUND

Fun for all the family!

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