



St. Peter's Newsletter

Flourishing Together

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

Friday 13th February 2026



Headteacher Welcome

Good afternoon,

This week has been a wonderful one in school, filled with moments that truly showcase the exceptional knowledge, talents and teamwork of our children.



Our Year 5/6 pupils represented the school brilliantly in a football tournament, demonstrating great cooperation and sportsmanship throughout. Year 1 have been enthusiastically rehearsing their class worship on *Toys from the Past*, and we are very much looking forward to welcoming parents on Friday afternoon.

Our Young Voices Choir also treated parents, grandparents and family members to a fantastic performance - thank you to everyone who came along; we are incredibly proud of the children's confidence and spirited singing.

It has also been lovely to hear so many positive comments during parents' evenings this week, and staff have thoroughly enjoyed sharing your children's achievements and progress with you. We truly value the partnership between home and school and the positive impact it has on every child's learning journey. We hope you all have a wonderful half term!

Mrs Dodd and the Team at St Peter's

Our Christian Worship



This week we have also been focusing on Children's Mental Health Week, exploring the theme of *Belonging* during Monday's worship. The children reflected thoughtfully on what it means to belong and how we can show kindness and care to help others feel included.

On Tuesday, Rev. Mark joined us and led worship on the story of the Transfiguration, when Jesus took Peter, James and John up a high mountain and was transformed before them - his face shining and clothes becoming bright white, showing his true glory. The children enjoyed acting out this special moment, which reminds us of the importance of listening to Jesus and recognising that we are all valued and loved.

House Credits Bronze, Silver and Gold

 <p>Bronze Champions</p>	<p>Skylarks Classes: Francesca Oystercatchers: Benny Eider Ducks: Eloise and Grayson Turnstones: Lexie Dunlins: Kiki Lapwings: Esamae and Joshua Curlews: Luna</p>
 <p>Silver Champions</p>	<p>Skylarks Classes: Cole Oystercatchers: Stanley Eider Ducks: Flynn Turnstones: Elliott Dunlins: Lottie Lapwings: Bobby Curlews: Theo</p>
 <p>Gold Champions</p>	<p>Skylarks Classes: Fern Oystercatchers: Ted C Eider Ducks: Libby Turnstones: Anna Dunlins: Joseph Lapwings: Sam Curlews: Bella</p>

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A huge well done to all the children who have been earning credits for themselves and their teams this half term, it's been fantastic to see such enthusiasm and teamwork!

We're delighted to announce that **Green Team** are our overall Credit Champions for Spring 1. Congratulations to everyone in **GreenTeam** - you've worked so hard and truly deserve the recognition.

As a reward, children in **Green Team** have been invited to come to school in their own clothes today.

Lost Property – Needs to go!

The mountain of lost property continues to grow! While we'll do our best to return any labelled items to their rightful owners, we kindly ask parents and carers to have a good look through the lost property collection and take anything that belongs to your child. Please, please, please check by tomorrow morning. Any unclaimed items will be donated to **The Uniform Hub** to support other families in our community and this will be taken tomorrow afternoon.

Thank You to The Friends – Our New Outdoor Learning Space

We are delighted to share our wonderful new outdoor quiet play and learning space. A huge thank you goes to all parents who generously contribute their time and funds to our PTFA, *The Friends*. Without your ongoing support, projects like this simply wouldn't be possible. The new shelter will be used during playtimes as a calm, comfortable area for children, as well as a valuable space for taking learning outdoors. We are also excited to begin developing the space behind the shelter into a gardening and nature area for all children to enjoy and explore. Thank you once again to *The Friends* for helping us bring this vision to life!

Homework Expectations



KS2 Homework Expectations

In Key Stage 2 (Years 3 - 6), weekly homework is an important part of supporting children's learning. Tasks typically focus on spelling, handwriting, grammar, times tables and regular reading, which is standard practice in many primary schools. Homework is sent out in advance with a clear return date, and we expect all children to complete and return their work on time. This helps pupils learn to organise their time, consolidate key skills and, particularly in Year 6, prepare for the expectations they will meet in high school. Nationally, there is a continued emphasis on accurate spelling and fluent handwriting, and in line with the Writing Framework, we will be prioritising these areas throughout the year. If homework is not completed, children may be asked to finish it during playtime, which is again a common school approach. We appreciate your support in encouraging your child to complete their homework promptly each week.

Bag2School / Table Top Sale

You will hopefully have received a 'Bag2School' bag within the last couple of weeks. This is a great way to declutter whilst raising much needed funds for the school, via the Friends! The half term break may be a great time to have a clear-out and add items listed on the front of the bag. We have plenty of spare bags in the office so please do come and grab more if you need any.

Collection will be on Thursday 26th February and the drop off point for bags remains the same – behind the wall at the main grey gate entrance. Please ensure bags are carefull sealed for ease of weighing and transporting into the van.

You will have hopefully also seen that we will be holding a table top sale on Sunday 19th April. During your half term clearout, you may find that there are items you wish to sell at this event too...please email bursar@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk to book a table (costing £10 each – tables included).

Friends Half Term Challenge

Your child should have brought home a letter and sponsorship form for the February Half Term Challenge set by the Friends. We encourage all children to get involved in this creative way to raise funds for the school, using the number 2026, 26 or 2.6...more information is provided below. Spare copies of the letter and forms are available in the school office. Thankyou for your support!

Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing 23 rd February 2026	
Monday 23 rd February	**First Day of Spring 2 Term** • Please remember PE kits
Tuesday 24 th February	• Y4 Swimming - please make sure kits are in school • Y5 and Y6 have fitness sessions in school - PE kits required
Wednesday 25 th February	• Y3 Ukulele lessons (PM) – please ensure instruments are in school
Thursday 26 th February	• Bag2School Collection – see above • Y4 School Trip – see letter, emails, ParentPay for actions and details • Y5 Multisports Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm. See letter and email • Y1 Superball Paul Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm. Letters going home today
Friday 27 th February	

Table Top Sale

SUNDAY 19TH APRIL

BOOK YOUR TABLE NOW!

GATES OPEN AT 8:00 AM FOR SELLERS

OPEN TO BROWSERS FROM 9:00 AM

LOCATION: ST PETER'S SCHOOL HALL AND OUTSIDE SPACE

TABLES PROVIDED

£10 PER TABLE PAY ON ENTRY

PLEASE BOOK BY CONTACTING SUZIE WALKER
BURSAR@STPETERSHEYSHAM.LANCS.SCH.UK

The Friends of St Peters School Heysham
 PRESENTS
READY, SET, 2026
CHALLENGE

WE ARE ASKING OUR CHILDREN TO TRY USE THE NUMBER 2026, 26 OR 2.6 - HOWEVER THEY CAN!

A CERTIFICATE FOR EVERYONE WHO HAS A GO AT THIS CHALLENGE!!

SET YOUR OWN TARGET!
 WHETHER IT'S A SPONSORED WALK, BAKE SALE, OR A READING CHALLENGE, IT'S UP TO YOU!

COULD YOU... EVEN RAISE £20.26

**COULD YOU...
 RUN 2.6KM EVERY DAY IN HALF TERM?
 READ 26 BOOKS IN A WEEK?
 STAY OFF TECHNOLOGY FOR 20 HRS AND 26 MINS?!**

**ALL MONEY IS TO BE IN BY 2ND MARCH.
 A SPECIAL PRIZE FOR THE KS1 & KS2 CLASS THAT RAISES THE MOST...
 AND PRIZES FOR THE MOST UNIQUE FUNDRAISING IDEAS!**

FRIENDS OF ST PETERS SCHOOL - HEYSHAM -
 THE FRIENDS ARE CURRENTLY RAISING FUNDS FOR EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW OUTDOOR GYM AND IN-HALL SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

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Crafters Wanted



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- * PHOTOGRAPHERS
- * CROCHET MAKES
- * CRICUT CRAFTS
- * TEACHERS THANK YOU'S
- * ART & CRAFT WORKSHOPS
- * and more!

CRAFTLOCAL™

Calling All Crafters: Make 2026 the year your sales soar!

CraftLocal is coming to **Lancaster & Morecambe**, giving local makers the opportunity to showcase their work directly to primary school communities across the area.

We're currently inviting **local crafters to be featured for free** under our **Early Bird Offer**, there's **no cost and no obligation**, just a chance to increase your visibility within your local community.

You can view a sample directory and see some makers already involved at:
www.craftlocal.co.uk

To be included, simply email hello@craftlocal.co.uk with:

- A photo of your work (JPG preferred)
- A short description of what you make
- A clickable link/URL for your website, online shop or social page

That's it! **No sign-up process required.**

Once received, we'll add you to the CraftLocal directory, which will be shared by local schools in the coming months.



CraftLocal: strengthening communities, supporting schools. Schools are not involved in sales or transactions.

Sweet and Savoury Free February Half Term Fun

Judges Lodgings Museum
Friday 20 February 11am - 3.30pm

Get hands on this half term making Valentine keepsakes and creative treats. Have fun making and decorating salt dough ornaments and sugar craft treats! No booking required.

*Activities are free but charges apply if visiting the rest of the museum (Adults £5 / children free)

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums>
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judgeslodgings@lancashire.gov.uk

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Art School... In A Trail!

GO ON A CREATIVE ADVENTURE WITH
ART SCHOOL (IN A BOOK)

WIN A SIGNED COPY

Illustrated by Peter Bloor, 2013

This February, children and their families are invited to see artwork at the Judges' Lodgings Museum in a whole new light with *Art School... in a trail!*

Pick up a free activity sheet* when visiting the Judges' Lodgings and enjoy a gallery spotter trail with a creative twist – each stop unlocks a playful mission designed to help visitors look at and talk about artworks in fun, accessible ways. Complete the activity sheet and receive your *Art School* sticker!

* Free activity when visiting the museum (Charges apply to visit Adults £5/ Children Free)

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wildlife watch

Wildlife Watch Group

Time: 10.00 a.m. till noon.

Heysham Nature Reserve welcomes children aged 8 - 13 years with children over 6 accompanied by an adult, to learn all about our wildlife.

Activities 2026

- Sat 10th Jan - Recycled Bird Feeders
- Sat 14th Feb - Orienteering
- Sat 14th March - Seed Sowing
- Sat 18th April - Exploring Soil
- Sat 9th May - Rock Pooling at HMB
- Sat 14th June - Butterfly House
- Sat 11th July - Snails & Slugs
- Sat 12th Sept - Life of Mammals
- Sat 10th Oct - Den Building
- Sat 7th Nov - Conservation work
- Sat 12th Dec - Christmas Decorations

For more information about our group and how to register a place, please contact us via:
email: egarston@lancswt.org.uk or 07717366812

We meet every 2nd Sat of the month (no session in Aug).
The fee is £2 per child.

Location: Heysham Nature Reserve. Money Close Lane. Heysham. LA3 2UW

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