



St. Peter's Newsletter

Flourishing Together

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

Friday 15th November 2024



Headteachers Message

Good afternoon,

We have to say a huge well done to our Y6 children this week for leading a wonderful whole school remembrance worship. They were amazing!

Thank you to all the parents who came along to parents evening. It was great to share the wonderful work and progress of your children with you. Again, our Y6 children were so polite, organised and kept the teachers on track. There were some lovely comments made about their conduct! We really appreciate your positive feedback.

Please remember it is School Disco night on Monday 18th November. Children in EYFS may bring their clothing to school on the day. We will get them changed and take them to the Disco. Parents from Reception, if you come into the school grounds as normal and line up by the Hall, you will be signed in by 'The Friends'.



Please can all other year groups make sure that they follow the communication. The end of Disco systems has changed and we will be lining the children up and signing them out for safeguarding reasons. Your child is welcome to bring a maximum of £3 spending money, as the Friends will be selling tuckshop and glow sticks.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Dodd and the team at St Peter's

Our Christian Characteristics and Worship Themes

This week we have focused on: **Gentleness and Compassion - Remembering**



Year 6 led our worship this week on remembering the service and sacrifice of people in the armed forces who have been injured or lost their lives in wars and battles.

Rev. Mark joined us on Tuesday. As always, his worship was fun and engaging and we had some wonderful, thoughtful comments made.

Children in Need

Today we are fundraising for Children in Need. We have some wonderful 'Super Heroes' and as we know, Super Heroes don't always need a costume! This morning we had a visit from Pudsey which was enjoyed by all! Thank you for your kind donations and support. We will update with funds raised for this wonderful charity in next week's newsletter...



Opera Magic: A Children's Introduction to Opera



The Winter Gardens Preservation Trust is hosting Opera Magic: A Children's Introduction to Opera concert for children and families on Saturday, 23rd November 2024.

Tickets are free, although donations are welcome (when booking your ticket) but not essential. If you do book and mention that you are from St Peter's, you will be issued with VIP tickets due to a very fortunate link with Mrs Rigby..!

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/morecambe-winter-gardens/opera-magic-a-childrens-introduction-to-opera/e-qyxlyr>

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Friends Update

Christmas Cards

Christmas Card orders are open for just 2 more days. The order window closes on Sunday 17th November @ 11.59pm, so please do ensure that you place your orders before this date and time.

If anyone is missing their proof card please text 07917 275767 or email friends@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk with the name of your child and class and we will retrieve the code for you 📄

Easy Fundraising

As we know many will be starting their Christmas Gift Shopping we are also asking you to sign up to Easy Fundraising.

The principle is the same as the Asda Rewards system and does not affect any discount codes or offers you receive. 1000's of online retailers will give money back to the Friends through this initiative. We currently have 49 registered parents / carers and so far we've raised £649 through this initiative.



Imagine what we could raise if 200 more school families signed up!

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/cause/friends-of-st-peters-school/

Lost Property

We have had an abundance of lost property in school and as mentioned last week, a lot of the items are still unnamed.

The Lost Property location has moved to the Main Office, which needs to be accessed via the main entrance and not the side door.

Prior to coming to lost property, if you notice your child has come out of class missing an item, please send them back to the class to check whilst the teachers are present. If they do not find their item, walk to the main office from the outside entrance. For safety and security reasons we need to know who is in the building and therefore this system will enable us to keep track.

If your item is not in lost property, we hope that it will make it's way to lost property the following day. If items are named, then we can make sure they get back to the classrooms as quickly as possible.

Volunteer Request / Update

Y3 parents will be aware that we have an exciting school trip to the Judges Lodgings in Lancaster on Friday 29th November for a Black History workshop. We would be very grateful if any parents / family members would be happy to volunteer to support this trip, which will take place during the normal school day. If you are available, provided you are not a parent of a child in Y3 class, please call or email the school office.

A huge thank you also, to all those who are signed up to assist on the day of the school panto trip on Wednesday 4th December. ParentPay will be updated with your ticket amount as soon as we have both references received, so please keep an eye on your child's account. Thanks again!

Stars of the Week



It has been an amazing week in school with lots of positivity and children showing how wonderful they are. I know the teachers have found it tricky to choose because so many children have worked really hard.

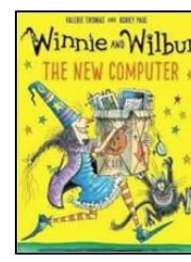
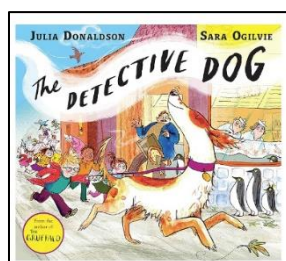
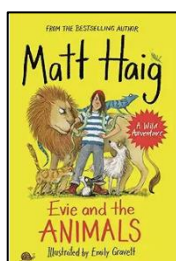
Class	For
Skylark - Charlie E	Coming to school positively all week and being a wonderful member of the class.
Sanderling - Charlie	Having a positive attitude towards all of his learning.
Oystercatcher - Darcy Rose	Demonstrating an excellent effort in all of your maths learning.
Eider Ducks - Hannah	Always being kind, warm hearted and a joy to be around. Your smile lights up the classroom.
Turnstones - Hollie	Displaying a can do attitude to reading.
Dunlins - Arabella	Demonstrating a consistently positive attitude towards all of your learning!
Lapwings - Annie	Making amazing progress in all areas of learning and having a lovely, positive glow this week.
Curlews - Joseph H	Super maths work this week and a great attitude to learning.

Lateness

We are, once again, seeing more late arrivals through the school office when the gates have closed at 8.45am. Please try to ensure your child arrives at school between 8.35 and 8.45am, when the blue gates are open, so that they do not miss key learning opportunities.

Thankyou

Our Recommended Reads



We continue to have book club every Thursday morning in school. The children have a wide range of books that they explore during this time. This week Year 3 visited the library and explored the range of books available. Please continue to ensure your child is registered with the library as it is our goal to visit more often.

Admission Arrangements for 2026 Onwards - Consultation

Our proposed admission arrangements for 2026 are on the school website and we are currently in a consultation time frame. Over the past two years, our admission numbers have been lower and data indicates that the birth rate in our district is lower for future years. There are enough school places within the area, therefore we have requested to reduce our pupil admission number (PAN) to 30 from 2026. We are also in consultation for changing some of the admission criteria to the school. This has been discussed and approved by our governors, however, we now seek responses from parents. If you wish to respond to the consultation we kindly ask for your views to be submitted by email to:

bursar@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk with the subject as **Admission Consultation 2026**.

The full proposed admission arrangements is available at:

<https://www.stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk/our-school/admissions-and-appeals/consultation-proposed-admission-arrangements-2026>

KS2 Bags

We are noticing more children in KS2 bringing back packs to school. We understand that they have their books and somedays PE kits and lunchboxes to carry, however we do have a health and safety issue across school in relation to items stored on corridors. The fire service class this as a risk / hazard. Therefore, we need to make sure the corridor space is a organised and hazard free as possible. Therefore, please only send your child with their book bag, which is stored in cupboards within the classrooms and PE kits in a PE bag (drawstring bags), not a bulky rucksack. We do understand this can cause more items for your child to carry. It is not because we are being awkward, it is related to the fire safety risk assessment for corridor spaces. Thank you for you co-operation.

Weekly Food Bank Collections

Every little helps, especially at this time of year as we approach the festive season, where the cost of living increases significantly. Thank you for all your donations!

Day	Class
Friday 22 nd November	Curlews
Friday 29 th November	Lapwings
Friday 6 th December	Oystercatchers
Friday 13 th December	Dunlins
Week Commencing 16 th December	No Donations as we will be arrange a pick up this week.

Urgently needed food items

Instant Rice
Instant Mash
Jam
Peanut Butter
Cup-a-soup

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Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing Monday 18th November

Monday 18th November	*School Disco – See times on the flyer*
Tuesday 19th November	• Y5 / 6 Dance Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm
Wednesday 20th November	*Y3 trip consent via ParentPay deadline – please see letter and email* • KS2 Singing Club: Lunchtime – please see email for confirmed spaces • KS2 JAM Club: 3.15pm – 4.15pm • Y4 / 5 / 6 Spanish Club: 3.15pm – 4.15pm • Y5/6 Athletics Practice: 3.15 – 4.15pm
Thursday 21st November	*Bag 2 School Collection – please see information below for more details* • Y2/3 Ball Games Club: 3.15pm – 4.15pm
Friday 22nd November	• School Tour No.14 for Reception 2025 intake: 1.30pm – 2pm

Reminder of Key Dates for the remainder of Autumn Term 2

- **Every Friday afternoon until 6th December** - School Tour for Reception Intake September 2025 @ 1.30pm.
Please call the school office to book on. Please share with any friends or family members.
- **Monday 18th November - Friends School Disco** - See details supplied on the flyer.
- **Thursday 21st November - Bag2School Collection** - See information supplied on the bag sent home to be filled for accepted items. We have more bags in the school office if you require more when having a pre-Christmas clear out.
- **Friday 29th November - Y3 Trip to Judges Lodgings** – See letter and email sent home for details
- **Friday 29th November - Indoor Athletics League** @ LMC from 3.30pm.
This is the first date of the competition, with another scheduled for 31st January 2025. Please see letter for the full details.

CHRISTMAS DIARY

WED 4TH DEC. WHOLE SCHOOL TO THE DUKES TRIP

THURS 5TH DEC. EYFS NATIVITY 9:30

WED 11TH DEC. 2PM - KSI NATIVITY (1)

WED 11TH DEC 5:30PM - KS2 CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

THURS 12TH DEC. 2PM - KSI NATIVITY (2)

MONDAY 16TH DEC. 6PM Y6 CAROL CONCERT

TUES 17TH DEC. YEAR 3 PARENTS ONLY CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

WED 18TH DEC. CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND JUMPER DAY



Christmas
IN
HEYSHAM VILLAGE

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CRAFTS WORKSHOP

Sunday 1st December, 2-4pm
Heysham Village Institute
Main Street, LA3 2RW

DROP IN!
No need to book!

£1 voluntary donation. All ages welcome!

Help get your village ready for the festive season.

Come and decorate your own angel for display in this year's Heysham Village Angel Trail.

Make an afternoon of it and join in with other activities on offer including:

- Making Tree Decorations
- Other Angel-inspired crafts

Follow our Facebook page for updates! Scan the code or search Heysham Neighbourhood Community.

For more information, get in touch at: heyshamevents@gmail.com




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