



Headteacher Welcome

Good afternoon,

The children are really settling well across the school and showing fantastic focus in their lessons. A special well done to our reception children, who have now completed their first full-time week, what a brilliant start to their school journey!



We have held our House Assemblies this week. Our reception children joined their house teams for the first time and listened to the inspiring speeches from our Year 6 pupils.

Choosing new House Captains was no easy task, every Year 6 child delivered their speech with confidence and care, making us incredibly proud.

What stood out most was the kindness, resilience and support shown by all the children. Those who weren't selected showed true team spirit and cheered on their peers. It was a fantastic example of the values we hold dear at our school.

Well done to everyone involved - you've made a brilliant start to the term!

We can announce our House Captains for 2025-2026

Red Oliver and Aneesha	Yellow Thomas and Lucy
Blue Tommy and Bella	Green Theo, Brooke and Emma

Mrs McGirl has announced that pupils from Year 2 to Year 6 can apply to join the School Council. Interested children will present their applications to their class and voting will take place. The ballot box is ready!

Mrs Longdon is recruiting for her Planet Protector group. Any children in Y5 and Y6 are to outline their interest to Mrs Longdon through an application process.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Dodd and the Team at St Peter's

Our Christian Worship



This week, we've been reflecting on our Christian Values through **Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit - love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.**

Some children re-enacted a short story about how we grow these values and become the best we can be. We also paused to reflect on how showing kindness and self-control can help us in our everyday lives.

Healthy and Safe Eating Update

If sending grapes in your child's lunchbox, please ensure these are cut up lengthways to avoid choking.

Parents from Y3 onwards are reminded that school-provided fruit is only available to KS1, so please send a healthy snack for breaktime if you would like your child to have something to keep them going until lunch.

Healthy snacks are ideally a piece or pot of fruit or vegetables.

We have also noticed a number of children who are arriving at school without having eaten any breakfast. Please contact the school office if you are struggling to provide this and we will support wherever we can.

Year 1 Go Velo – Bike Session

On Monday and Tuesday, our Year 1 children will be taking part in exciting '**Go Velo**' Balance Bike sessions. To ensure they are comfortable and ready to participate, please dress them appropriately for active outdoor learning.

Recommended clothing:

- Warm layers (e.g. school t-shirt and jumper)
- Joggers or leggings
- Trainers

If you have not consented to your child undertaking this activity via the link during the first week of term, your child will be unable to participate and will join another classroom for the time 'Go Velo' is taking place.

Stars of the Week



We are celebrating children who have settled back to school and are demonstrating our high expectations for behaviour and learning.



Stars of the Week receiving a Headteacher Award are...

<i>Once EYFS are established then they will have their star of the week nominations.</i>		Oystercatchers Lola	Eider Ducks Roland
Turnstones Katie	Dunlins Archer	Lapwings Ivy	Curlews Willow

Tempest Photographer – Individual and Sibling (In-School Only) Photographs

Tempest Photography are in school on Thursday 25th September. They will be taking individual photographs and sibling (who are already at St Peter's) photographs. These photographs are only viewed by you and you will be given the option to purchase.

However, if you do not wish your child to be photographed you must let school know before the date of the photographer's visit either by calling the school office or emailing bursar@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk

Reception Parents Phonics Workshop

We would like to invite our reception parents to a phonics workshop. This is to share with you how we teach phonics and early reading in school and how you can help and support at home.

Please join us on Wednesday 15th October at 5pm until 6pm.

Macmillan Coffee Morning - Friday 26th September 2025



As we shared last week, please come, enjoy and contribute towards this amazing cause either by donating cakes to sell or purchasing (or both)!

20 minute timeslots are shown below for when each class will come to the hall – you are welcome to join anytime but you may prefer to come to join your child(ren) during their slot.

If you are able to bring cakes / biscuits to sell on the morning (shop bought is just as welcome as homemade 🍪), please label ingredients and allergens. These can be dropped at the office on Thursday 25th September (PM) or Friday 26th (in the morning before 8.45am). We are grateful for as many donations as possible to make this event as successful as the last! Thank you in advance for your support

9am – 9.20am	Skylarks 1
9.20am – 9.40am	Skylarks 2
9.40am – 10am	Turnstones
10am – 10.20am	Oystercatchers
10.20am – 10.40am	Curlews
10.40am – 11am	Eider Ducks
11am – 11.20am	Dunlins
11.20am – 11.40am	Lapwings

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Time and Tide Project

This week, our Year 5 children enjoyed a fantastic afternoon learning about *The Bay*, water safety with the RNLI, and singing traditional sea shanties. The session was part of a wider community project and was even filmed to showcase the children's learning. It's been a brilliant way to enrich our curriculum with real-world experiences!

Food Bank Donations



Thank you so much to all those who have donated this week to the **Morecambe Bay Foodbank**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

We will continue to collect regularly. If you are able to contribute, please consider bringing in; Tinned food (e.g. soup, beans, vegetables), Dry goods (e.g. pasta, rice), Baby wipes and toiletries. Every donation, no matter how small, makes a difference. Please only give if you can. Let's work together to build up supplies for local families in the run-up to Christmas. **The foodbank will collect from us on a fortnightly basis, with the next collection due on Friday 3rd October. We will aim to send out a text before the next collection wherever possible.**

Car Boot Sale - Postponed

You may be aware from our Facebook post that the weather has dictated a postponement of our car boot sale, which was originally scheduled for Sunday 21st September.

We will keep a close eye on the weather forecast and aim to reschedule as soon as we can before the weather changes longer-term! Please keep an eye on Facebook for updates and we will send a message via our usual channels as well as updating our poster on the noticeboard.



Watch this space...

Afterschool Club Request

Please can all parents who use the Afterschool Club ensure that any ad-hoc requests are submitted only to the afterschoolclub@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk email address before 12noon on the day of request. Please note, it is not a guarantee that ad-hoc requests will be granted, as we may be at capacity for safe ratios of staff to children. These will be considered and replied to, with charges added to ParentPay where we have been able to accommodate.

Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing 22nd September 2025

Monday 22nd September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y1 Go Velo sessions: Please see guidance above
Tuesday 23rd September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y1 Go Velo sessions: Please see guidance above Y4 Swimming (AM): Please make sure swimming kits are in school Y3 / 4 Dance Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm.
Wednesday 24th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS2 Judo Club: Independently organise
Thursday 25th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tempest Individual and In-School Photographs: Please see above information Y2 Multisports Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm
Friday 26th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Macmillan Coffee Morning: Please see timetable above Y6 Stop Frame Animation Club: 3.15pm – 4.15pm. See email confirmation

Autumn Term 2025 – Key Dates

- October and December (dates below on our poster): School open evenings / mornings for prospective new Reception children - please contact the school office to book a place.
- Thursday 2nd October: Harvest Festival Special Menu – menu change, no pre-orders required.
- Thursday 9th October: Fishy Music Workshop in School.
- **School Closes for Half Term from Thursday 23rd October – Monday 3rd November****
- Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November – Parents Evenings (details to follow)
- Thursday 4th December (AM): Whole school trip to the Dukes Theatre (Lancaster) for our annual pantomime visit 'Snow Queen'. Information will be sent home shortly (including a request for Parent Volunteers).

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COME VISIT OUR SCHOOL




**VISITS FOR SEPTEMBER 2026
RECEPTION INTAKE**
WEDNESDAY 1ST OCTOBER 4PM - 6PM
SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER 10AM - 12PM
MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER 4PM - 6PM

About Our School

Our school is rich in historical character and is underpinned by strong Christian values that ensure our children 'flourish together.' St Peter's is a small Church of England Primary School that has a strong community ethos and prides itself on high standards of education. Our curriculum is inclusive and sequenced from EYF5 to Y6. This ensures every child progresses well and that they are prepared for high school and beyond.

All our staff will warmly welcome you into our school family.

Our Vision

Our vision is for our children to go out into the world with the skills and confidence to succeed and the love, compassion and advocacy to make a positive impact on the world around them.

Please call the office to book a school tour
01524 852155
www.stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk

**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
SECONDARY**



APPLY NOW!
at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2026

You must apply if your child is in their last year of primary school (year 6) from September 2025.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

**CLOSING DATE
31 October 2025**

lancashire.gov.uk >>>>

School transport 

If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.



Lancashire
County Council 

2nd October

Harvest Festival



Savoury Beef or Quorn Mince & Yorkshire Pudding with Creamy Mashed Potato & Seasonal Vegetables or Winter Warming Pasta Bake with Garlic Dough Balls or Choice of filled Jacket Potato with Mixed Salad ~ Oaty Flapjack & Apple Wedges

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