



Headteacher Message

Good afternoon,



It's been an incredibly busy week at school and after school! A huge thank you to 'The Friends' for organising a fantastic art workshop for the Eider Duck class. The children worked with local artist Molly Bland to generate ideas for an exciting new mural, which will soon be painted on a wall in our playground. Please see below an update from the Friend's about the project.

On Tuesday, most of our Year 2 children took part in The Lancaster Singing Festival, where they performed outstandingly. We were truly amazed by their confidence and singing talents. On Thursday, many Year 4 children had the same opportunity and again performed brilliantly, representing the school with exceptional pride. We are so proud of all our performers! A huge thank you to all the parents and children who joined us for this special event. The staff were extremely grateful for the lovely comments made too.



On Wednesday, we welcomed Louise from the Lake District National Park Education Team who works in partnership with United Utilities. In line with our school's aim to be more sustainable and care for our world, Louise taught us about the importance of water conservation. We learnt about the natural water cycle and where our water comes from. During her assembly and workshops with Year 2 and Year 4, she educated us on the positive actions we can take to reduce our water consumption – every action counts!

Today, we welcome back our Year 5 children from Lakeside! They have been exceptional throughout the trip and a real credit to our school and their families. Staff have shared wonderful comments about their impeccable manners, positive attitude and outstanding behaviour. Their week has been extremely busy, filled with exciting adventures and unforgettable memories. No doubt, they will be exhausted and ready to relax over the weekend! We are also immensely grateful to the dedicated staff who accompanied them, ensuring that all the children were happy, safe and well cared for. Thank you to 'The Friends' for providing all the Y5 Lakeside children with an ice cream too!

Next week is set to be a busy one, as it is our final week before we break up for the Easter holiday. On Thursday, we look forward to welcoming parents to Eider Duck's whole-school worship @ 9am and on Friday, we will be welcoming significant loved ones to our Mother's Day event. Further details can be found below.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Dodd and the team at St Peter's

Stars of the Week



We are celebrating the hard work, commitment to learning, resiliency and positivity of children across school this week.



Our Stars of the Week are...

Skylarks <i>Jasper</i>	Sanderlings <i>Alice E</i>	Oystercatchers <i>Sienna B</i>	Eider Ducks <i>Bobby P</i>
Turnstones <i>Charlie I</i>	Dunlins <i>Samuel C</i>	Lapwings <i>Everyone !</i> <i>You are amazing!</i>	Curlews <i>Sienna</i>

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A TRUE STORY ABOUT HOW PETER FORGAVE JESUS

Rev. Mark led worship for Years R to 3 on Thursday. This was a wonderful opportunity for our younger pupils. They learnt a new song and focused on the message of "God's love for everyone, even when mistakes are made." We heard the story of the Prodigal on its meaningful message.

A black plastic rainwater barrel is positioned outdoors on a paved surface. It has a spout at the top with a black hose attached. To the left of the barrel is a white pot containing a plant with pink and white flowers. The background is a brick wall.

We are busy planting and growing at school and would like to be sustainable with our water use. We would ideally like to collect rain water to water the plants rather than using the taps. Therefore, we are wondering if anyone has a water butt that they no longer use and that they would be happy to donate to school. If so please let us know via the school office. Thank you in advance!

Last week, we met with the attendance officer for the school to review the attendance of children and late arrivals. As a school, we are proud of our high attendance rates, with most children across the school attending above 95%. Every day and every minute of the school day matters, as there is so much learning and curriculum knowledge that we deliver. Mrs Highton and Mrs Dodd are currently reviewing the attendance of several children who are frequently absent or late and the next stage will be to invite the parents to a meeting to discuss measures to improve lates or absences.

Every day in school counts...

The infographic is divided into two main sections. The top section, titled 'Every day in school counts...', features five vertical bars representing attendance percentages: 95%, 90%, 85%, 80%, and 70%. Each bar is color-coded and contains the percentage, the word 'attendance', the number of school days missed, and the equivalent time missed (e.g., '1 week & 4 days'). The bottom section, titled 'and every minute counts...', features five alarm clock icons representing minutes late per day: 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25. Each clock is color-coded and contains the minutes late, the word 'minutes late per day', and the equivalent school days missed (e.g., '3 school days lost per year').

Attendance Percentage	School Days Missed	Time Missed
95%	9	1 week & 4 days
90%	24	4 weeks & 4 days
85%	28	5 weeks & 3 days
80%	38	7 weeks & 3 days HALF A TERM MISSED
70%	57	11 weeks & 2 days 1 WHOLE TERM MISSED

and every minute counts...

Minutes Late per Day	School Days Lost per Year
5	3
10	6.5
15	10
20	13
25	19

After Easter, Year 4 will finish their swimming lessons and Year 3 will begin. We kindly ask all Year 3 parents to carefully read the information sent out and adhere to the requirements. Please ensure that children have the correct swimming kit as outlined.

Swimming takes place every Tuesday and it is essential that children bring their kit with them in the morning and arrive on time before the gate closes. The coach collects the class at around 9.20 am and the office is particularly busy, so there will be no opportunity for kit to be dropped off later.

To help with this, please make a note or set a reminder on your phone to ensure your child's swimming kit is brought to school every Tuesday. Thankyou for your cooperation.

All children / families can create an Easter Garden to enter into our Easter Garden competition. This year we have added an extra challenge...can you make a *sustainable* Easter Garden? This is in line with our aim to be less wasteful and think about how we care for our planet. Gardens will be showcased in the hall from **Monday 31st March**, with the judges making the decision on 1st, 2nd and 3rd place on Thursday 3rd April.



Children can decorate a hard-boiled egg to roll. These need to be brought into school for **Wednesday 2nd April**.

There will be Easter Egg prizes for the egg that rolls the furthest in each class.

This week Y2 have worked with a local artist to develop a mural which will be painted on the newly rendered wall on the bottom playground. The Friends have secured the funding for the artist's time but need to buy the paint which will cost around £200...If any local businesses would be willing to contribute towards the cost of the paint (£50, £100 or £200) in return for their name credited on a plaque, please email the Friends: friends@stpetershevysham.lancs.sch.uk

Mother's Day Event – Friday 4th April (information for adults who have booked their place)

We are looking forward to welcoming many parents and significant adults on Friday 4th April to take part in a range of activities as part of our Mother's Day / Significant Adult celebrations.

To help everyone fully enjoy the experience, we kindly request that this event is a **NO PHONE ZONE**. We encourage all visiting adults to spend quality time with their child(ren), free from distractions. Please set this hour and a bit as a 'Do Not Disturb' time.

Arrival and Entry Points

- **Parents with children whose surnames begin with A–H** should arrive at the **field-side gate**. Please access via the main gate and line up along the building. A member of staff will greet you, sign you in and direct you to activities in the KS1 classrooms and playground, where your child will be waiting. Your second half of the afternoon will be in the hall.
- **Parents with children whose surnames begin with I–Z** should arrive at the **playground blue gate**. A member of staff will sign you in and direct you to the hall, where your child(ren) will be waiting to enjoy a range of games, as well as coffee, tea, biscuits and juice and then your second activity will be in the KS1 classes / playground space.

Event Details

- **Gates open at 1.30pm**
- The afternoon will be split into two sections:
 1. **Tea, coffee & cake (adult) and juice & biscuits (children) in the hall**, with games, Lego, and colouring.
 2. **Time to take part in activities with your child(ren)** in the KS1 classrooms and playground spaces.

Please come in **active wear** so you can fully enjoy the activities! 😊

After the activities you may take your child(ren) home which may be slightly earlier than the normal end of the school day time (approx 15 mins earlier). Please ensure you notify a member of staff when you are about to leave, so we can your child(ren) out of school formally for safeguarding purposes.

Please note: If you have not booked onto the event, please do not turn up at the gate on the day hoping to attend. We have a list of all those who have booked and paid for the event, have planned specifically for these individuals and have allocated alternative provision for the children who will not be attending, so they will be enjoying alternative activities around school. There will be no staff available to retrieve your child, should you arrive unexpectedly as all will be preoccupied supporting the event or in class.

Thankyou!

Enhanced Curriculum Opportunities - Reminders

Please see below any updates to our club schedule for week commencing 31st March:

- Wednesday: KS2 JAM Club.
This will be the final session of this academic year due to Retirement of Mrs Stopczynski. Further details will be provided regarding future JAM Club offerings when available.

- Thursday: Y5&6 Morecambe Community Sports and Y2 Super Ball Paul

We will get information to parents early next week about the clubs that will be taking place in the Summer Term.



Eider Ducks Class Worship – Thursday 3rd April

On Thursday 3rd April, Eiderducks will be hosting their Class Worship (including Y2 children who participated in the Singing Festival). This includes a lovely encore of some of the songs performed at the singing festival earlier this week. We have a maximum of 2 spaces per Eiderducks child / Y2 singing participant and these spaces do not require booking in advance. We will, however tick names off our list for fire safety purposes.

The worship will start shortly after registration at approx 9am, so please bear with us whilst we setup the hall during drop off and we will call you into the hall whilst the children get ready in the classroom. Refreshments may be served for a small donation whilst you wait, so we recommend bringing a small amount of cash, should you wish to have a brew...

Lunch – Important Updates

Themed Days

Wednesday 2nd April 2024 - Easter Lunch:

No pre-order is required for this themed day, however please be aware that the normal lunch menu will not be available on the day this menu is on.

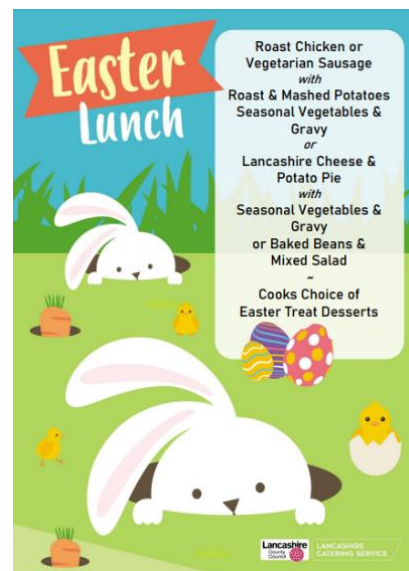
Healthy Lunchbox

We kindly ask that all parents who send their child to school with a packed lunch consider healthy, nutritious alternatives to sugary / processed foods and always remember that we remain a nut-free school due to allergies. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND IN CHOCOLATE BARS OR CHOCOLATE EGGS E.G. KINDER EGGS**

Food Waste

Our Planet Protector team have been monitoring food waste in the school hall at lunch times, to identify certain items that are being disposed of and they have fed this information back.

This is assisting us in our continued efforts to reduce food waste and ensure children are offered menu items that they will enjoy! We will be sharing our new Summer menu shortly, once it has been finalised.



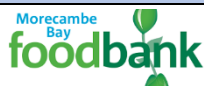
Breakfast and Afterschool Club Reminders

Forms for Summer Term 2025 have been distributed and we ask that all are completed and returned by the end of today at the very latest, to allow for confirmation emails to be sent and ParentPay to be updated accurately.

Please note that no bookings 'roll on' from term to term, so we require a fresh booking form before the start of every term, regardless of whether your child is currently booked onto the current term or not.

If you do not have a booking form but wish to book your child onto either club, please collect one from the school office and return by the end of today as above. Requests received after this date are not guaranteed to be accepted. Thank you for your cooperation.

Food Bank – Donations



Once again, thank you for all your kind donations! We will publish the new donation dates on the return to school after the Easter holiday.

Lost Property

If you have been to the school office recently, you will notice that the lost property box is overflowing! We cannot emphasise enough how important it is to please label your child's items clearly and check this box regularly.

All lost property items that remain in the box by the end of the day on Wednesday next week (2nd April) will be donated to the Uniform Hub, as they are starting to cause a trip / fire hazard in the foyer.

Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing 31st March

Monday 31 st March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter Gardens to be brought into school today (if participating) Y5/6 Football @ BLA (3.30pm – approx. 5.30pm). See email updates
Tuesday 1 st April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y4 swimming – kits in school please Selected Y6 Cohort only Outdoor Adventure Day. See letter for details
Wednesday 2 nd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Egg Rolling Competition-please bring your child's hard-boiled egg to school (if participating) Easter Lunch – Menu Change (no pre-order required). See above for choices KS2 JAM Club (3.15-4.15pm) – final session of this academic year
Thursday 3 rd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y1 Superball Paul! Club (3.15-4.15pm) Y5/6 Morecambe Community Sports Club (3.15-4.15pm)
Friday 4 th April	<p style="text-align: center;">*Last day of Spring Term*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mother's Day Event for those who have booked and paid (1.30- 3pm approx) Please ensure you have processed payment via ParentPay

Key Dates for Spring Term 2

- Friend's AGM: Tuesday 1st April – slight change to original plan:
The Friends AGM will now take place online at 7:15pm on Tuesday 1st April. If you would like to attend please email the below email to be sent the meeting link friends@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk. It would be great for as many parents to attend as possible to hear the Friend's achievements and approve the audited accounts.
- Last Day of Spring Term: Friday 4th April.

School will be closed for Easter Break from Monday 7th April and will re-open for Summer Term on Tuesday 22nd April.

School Trips Taking Place in Summer Term (so far)

- Y3 Trip to Abbeystead: Tuesday 29th April. Please ensure all ParentPay actions are complete.
- Y3 Trip to Tower Wood: Thursday 1st May. ParentPay due date for final payment is Thursday 1st May. *Please ensure all 5 instalment dates have been met and all actions are completed on ParentPay by the date of the trip.*
- Y2 Trip to Blackpool Zoo: Thursday 8th May. ParentPay due date is Friday 4th April.
- Y4 Trip to the World Museum, Liverpool. ParentPay due date is Friday 25th April.
- School Council Trip to London (UK Parliament): Wednesday 18th June. Further details to be communicated.

Lancaster City Museum

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