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St. Peter's Newsletter

Friday 29th September



Headteacher Message

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your cake donations and support for the Macmillan Coffee morning, which helped us raise a fantastic £530! We are extremely grateful to have supportive families and we hope you enjoyed the coffee, cake and time you had with your child(ren) this morning. As with all fundraising and charity events, it is important to give thanks for the amazing team that sits behind these lovely experiences for our families. Thank you to Mrs Newton who made this event happen, to all the staff who supported throughout the morning and to Charlie for our very own St Peter's cake!

This week, I showcased Sanderlings class on our school Facebook page. We hope you managed to see their Autumn Walk photographs. Next week, I will be aiming to capture more examples of the wonderful work that is taking place across the school.

We have a number of reminders for upcoming events and school policies below, as we continue to progress through a very busy term. Please take a close look at our information to ensure nothing is missed.



Enjoy your weekend,

Mrs Dodd



Our School Worship and Christian Values

Our vision is to see our children 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.

During this week's worship we have focussed on love and compassion and how we demonstrate this throughout school and our lives. This links to our community donations to the food bank, how we are supporting each other in school and our charity work.

Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club Bookings

We have had a growing number of requests for breakfast club and after school club. Can you please ensure that if you wish your child to attend any of our wrap-around provision sessions, we must have the contact details form / booking form to add onto the system, even if it is an ad-hoc booking.



Both provisions need emergency contacts, allergy information and medical information in all circumstances.

We kindly ask parents / carers to use the identified email addresses to communicate and liaise regarding bookings with the team managers, not the school office.

- Mrs Durnan is our Breakfast Club Manager and can be contacted at: <u>breakfastclub@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk</u>
- Miss Baker is our Afterschool Club Manager and can be contacted at: afterschoolclub@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk

Reception Admissions for 2024



We have school tour bookings taking place for parents / carers of children who will be looking to join school in September 2024.

We have added a number of school tour dates to our calendar on the website, which are primarily on Tuesday mornings @ 9.15am and a Thursday afternoons @ 1.30pm.

Parent / carers can book onto a school tour by contacting the school office on 01524 852155.

Phonics and Reading Reception Parent Workshop – RECEPTION SKYLARK PARENTS ONLY

Mrs Daly and Mrs Parker will be running a parent workshop for **NEW RECEPTION PARENTS ONLY**. This will be on Monday 2nd October in the Skylarks classroom from 5-5:30pm.

During this session the staff will explain our school approach to phonics and early reading. Please try to arrange childcare and come along. We know that reading and reinforcing positive reading experiences at home is crucial in language development, communication and improving outcomes.

Autumn Illness

We continue to have a high level of illness circulating school at the minute and appreciate it can't be helped. As a school, we are taking additional measures to do everything we can to reduce the spread of illness, including implementing additional hand and table sanitising.

Most children are recovering within a few days, however we do ask that children do not attend school if they have a temperature. For more information and guidance, please see the NHS poster towards the end of this newsletter and visit: <u>https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/</u>

Morecambe Football Club Players in School



This week our KS2 classes had the opportunity to ask some of the Morecambe Football Club players questions. The players talked about their journey into football and also spoke about their reading choices. They then visited the classrooms for some further questions and signing autographs.

Thank you to Morcambe Football Club for providing us with an enjoyable afternoon!

Early Pickups from School / Appointments Reminder

Following a number of requests to collect children early from school, particularly on a Friday, we would like to remind all parents / carers to please provide evidence of medical appointments being attended.

Evidence can include the office having sight of a text message either in person upon collection or a screenshot in an email, a copy of the letter provided by the hospital or a paper appointment card / slip.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Food Bank – Harvest Donations

Harvest Collection



This harvest festival we will be collecting tinned and packaged food for our local community. Our donation will be delivered to Morecambe Bay Foodbank. If you are able to make a donation we will be gathering the items on Tuesday 3rd October and this will form part of our worship led by Rev. Mark. Please only donate if you can. We realise that the cost of living crisis is impacting on all and appreciate your



Thank you for your continued support with your donations to Morecambe Bay Community Foodbank. Next week, we are asking for donations across the school as part of our Harvest Donations. Please only give if you can. We will have our collection table ready for Tuesday 3rd October.

Following this, we will resume with the schedule for regular foodbank collections per class. Please see below the schedule up until December this year.

Class	Date	
Lapwings	29 th September	
Oystercatchers	6 th October	
Dunlins	13 th October	
Eider Ducks	20 th October	
Half Term		
Turnstones	3 rd November	
Skylarks	10 th November	
Curlews	17 th November	
Sanderlings	24 th November	

Healthy Eating / Allergy Reminder

We have noticed an increasing number of chocolate bars, sweets and nutella bars being sent into school via packed lunches.

Please can you ensure you send your child to school with packed lunches that contain healthy items and continue to avoid sending items that contain nuts or blackcurrants (including juice).

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing Monday 2 nd October 2023		
Monday 2 nd October	Y4 swimming lesson. Kits in school please.	
Tuesday 3 rd October	 School Tour for 2024 Reception Parents: 9.15 – 9.45am Young Voices Practice (Y4,5,6): 3.15 – 4.15pm Harvest Donations gratefully received – whole school 	
Wednesday 4 th October	 Parent Drop-In with Mrs Rigby: 9 -10.30am. Please book via the school office if you wish to make an appointment. JAM Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm 	
Thursday 5 th October	 Y6 Trip to Blackburn Cathedral / Mosque (see letter) School Tour for 2024 Reception Parents: 1.30 – 2pm 	
Friday 6 th October	Indoor Athletics League @ L&M College: 3.30-approx 5.20pm (see letter)	

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Reminder of Key Dates for Autumn Term

- **Y1 (Sanderlings)** will be delivering Harvest Worship this will take place on Thursday 12th October at St Peter's Church. This is for parents / family members of children in Sanderling class only. Please can you book places via the school office so we can estimate numbers.
- Y4 (Dunlins) Heysham Power Station Trip on Wednesday 11th October. Please see letter.
- Friends Bag 2 School on Thursday 12th October. Please start collecting your clothes donations.
- Whole School Individual and in-school siblings photographs taken by Tempest on Friday 13th October.
- Y6 (Curlews) Y6 Faith Interviews for parents who are planning to apply for Ripley St Thomas as a High School for their child. Please remember to download the faith reference form and make an appointment with Rev. Mark by emailing <u>heyshamja@gmail.com</u>. Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October have been allocated for the interviews to take place.
- Whole School Nasal Flu Vaccinations Taking place on Wednesday 1st November. Please see email to consent / opt out of this service provided by the NHS.
- **Y4 (Dunlins)** Heysham Nature Reserve Trip on Friday 3rd November. Please see letter.
- Y6 (Curlews) Y6 will lead our Remembrance Service on Friday 10th November in the Hall. This is for parents / family members of children in Curlews class only.
- Whole School Panto Tuesday 5th December (morning). Letters will be sent home next week with
 more information, including our request for Parent Volunteers to support the visit.
- Y3 (Turnstones) Year 3 will lead our Advent / Christingle Worship which will take place during the first week of December final date to be confirmed.



Local Information

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UK Health Security Agency

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Should I keep my Child off School?

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	Until	
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over	
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode	
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.	
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics	
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared	
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started	
Scabies	they've had their first treatment	
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics	
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics	

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth

Head lice

Threadworms

Tonsillitis

Slapped cheek

Glandular fever

Advice and guidance

To find out more, **search for health protection in schools** or scan the QR code or visit **https://qrco.de/minfec**.

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