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### Headteacher Message

Good afternoon,

What a wonderful week we have had welcoming the children back to school. The half term ahead looks extremely busy with different sporting events, fundraising and a range of curriculum opportunities. We are proud of our curriculum at St Peter's and the children work extremely hard in all curriculum areas. I do keep adding to the school website and am gathering images from the classrooms for our social media feeds.

Y1/2 Oystercatcher's shared their learning from Art with me this week. In art they have created clay sculptures of animals. The children talked about the learning in the subject and shared great outcomes.

Next week all the children will be involved in Poppies and Poetry workshops in school as we focus on Remembrance. Y6 are leading a remembrance worship on Friday and an email has been sent to parents from the year group with additional details.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Dodd and the team at St Peter's

### Our School Worship and Christian Characteristics



We have welcomed all the children back to school this week and focused on 'The Fruits of the Spirit'. We explored how the fruit is like fruit on a tree. When we care for it, our fruit will grow strong and healthy. We have then thought about how we show kindness, love, self-control, joy, faithfulness, gentleness, goodness, peace and patience. We had some wonderful contributions in class workshops where the children shared how they bring the Fruits of the Spirit to the lives of others and demonstrate them within their lives. As the term progresses we will be explore patience and peace in greater detail.

*I can show kindness by helping others in need, for example with their work.*

*I can show goodness, by protecting the environment and doing a litter pick.*

*(Comments from Y4)*

### Remembrance Day Poppy Appeal

From **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November**, the School Council will be selling different poppy-based items to support The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. We are inviting the children to bring in money in a **named envelope** to donate to the charity. They will be sold during break times on the Wed/Thurs/Fri next week. In the interest of ensuring there is enough for everyone, we will only be selling one poppy and / or one extra item for each child.

#### Suggested donations for The Royal British Legion items

- Snapbands- £2
- Rubber wristband- £1
- Poppy keyring- 50p
- Poppy zip tag- 50p
- Poppy- any donation



*Thank you in advance for your support.*

*The School Councillors and Mrs McGirl*

### Lost Property and Uniform

Lost property is looking very full again. Please can you make sure all your children's items are labelled for us to be able to get them back to them quickly. If the weather remains dry, we will try to get the lost property out on a bench on KS2 playground at the end of the school day. Please come and look for lost items.

As the weather has significantly changed, can you please ensure your child is suitably dressed for school in full uniform and with a coat (ideally waterproof).

## Clubs



We are currently reviewing the curriculum clubs we can offer after school. Afterschool Club is our paid childcare provision which has a range of activities in place. However, our staff are also keen to deliver short blocks of additional curriculum opportunities after school. We want any enhanced provision to be used for children who really do have interests in key areas. Over the coming year, we intend to broaden our enriched after school curriculum club offer.

We already have a strong commitment to the Heysham and Morecambe sports partnership where Mrs Biggs and Mrs Owens spend time getting the children ready to take part in different sporting events.

Mrs Smith, Mrs Parker, and Mrs Holmes are all leading the Young Voices Choir Group – Y4,5,6 every Tuesday after school.

We are very grateful to Diana and Joan who lead JAM (Jesus and Me) club on Wednesday after school.

Mrs Longdon is our Arts Subject Leader for the school and is currently delivering a Y4 Drawing Club. Mrs Jeffreys is a dance teacher out of school and will be offering a Y2/3 Dance Group from the week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> November. We will be producing letters and sending them out next week.

Each club that school will run will have limited numbers. If your child does not get a place on the first round of clubs, they will be considered for future clubs as we want to make sure our offer is equitable for everyone.

## Could you help us decorate the school grounds for Christmas?



### A message from the Friends of St Peters

Hello, we are looking to see if we can raise some business sponsorship to support the purchase of a real Christmas Tree to be planted outside becoming a focal point for our festive celebrations. Contributing businesses will be credited with a small plaque placed by the planted tree which we hope will grow year on year. If you are interested in providing support or work for a business that could support this fundraising effort, please contact Chair of the Friends Lauren Zawadzki - [lauren@decopublique.co.uk](mailto:lauren@decopublique.co.uk)

Thankyou

## Christmas Dates for the Diary

As per the previous newsletters, we will continue to add dates for the diary over the festive period as soon as we can.

**December proposed dates – we will be aiming to keep to these dates and are giving you lots of notice to enable you to sort any leave required from work.**

### **OOPS there is a change...**

We are having to change the date of the EYFS sing along, due to logistical needs and clashes with the KS1 production. We apologise for the change and hope it does not cause too many issues. Please see below the new date;

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> - Book Fair after school in the Hall
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> - Whole School Panto trip to the Dukes Lancaster to see 'A Christmas Carol'
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> - Y3 Advent / Christingle Worship @ 9am in the Hall
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Online Safety Evening for parents from 6-8pm in the Hall

**\*Pizza and cake will be provided! Please book a place with the school office\***

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- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> - Y1/2 Nativity @ 1.30pm in the Hall
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- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> - Y1/2 Nativity @ 1.30pm in the Hall
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> - EYFS / Reception Class Christmas Sing Along @ 9am in the Hall  
\*This has been rescheduled from the previous week– see above note\*
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Christmas Lunch – pre-order forms to follow

### Pastoral Update from Mrs Rigby

This week, I met with a small group from Y6 working on 'What is a Worry and What is Stress'.

We often use these words, but what do they mean? I also introduced them to Emotional Granularity.

A small group from Y4/Y5 had a well-being session with me, learning strategies to help calm our body and mind when we experience big emotions.

Y6 had a workshop with Barnardo's (Moving Mindsets) on relationships/friendships: a bespoke workshop based on behaviours that have been trending in Y6.

The workshop was informative and helpful; thank you to Rebecca and Jade – You Are Fantastic.

I have also met my morning Meet and Greet group and my Lunchtime Club for those children who find lunchtime a little tricky for one reason or another.



Each week, I will choose a child (who has displayed acts of kindness in school) to take home The Kindness Elf to see what acts of kindness the elf and the chosen child can do for others outside of school. This week, I have chosen Jessica in Y6.

Jess, you are kind.

**My affirmation to you all is: You Are Kind (chosen by Reggie Y3). Remember to repeat to yourself: I Am Kind.**

### General Reminders

#### Parking

Prior to half term the police made a visit to School Road and were checking parking. We know how parking around school is challenging but it does have to be safe. Our understanding is that the next visit they will be intending to take stronger action. We expect that this will be a regular visit so please do remember to park responsibly and courteously, to keep our families and neighbours safe.

#### Birthday Absences

We have been made aware of some children being absent on their birthday. Whilst we appreciate that you wish to ensure your child has a special day to celebrate this milestone, they will be missing key learning opportunities in class. Please ensure that if your child's birthday falls on a school day, that they attend school as normal. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

### Food Bank – Donations



Thank You for your continued support with your donations to Morecambe Bay Community Foodbank. We are very grateful for all your donations. Rev. Mark has been collecting them weekly from school and delivering them to the Food Bank. There is no expectation to make a donation, so please only do so if you can.

Class	Date
Skylarks	10 <sup>th</sup> November
Curlews	17 <sup>th</sup> November
Sanderlings	24 <sup>th</sup> November
Lapwings	1 <sup>st</sup> December
Oystercatchers	8 <sup>th</sup> December
Dunlins	15 <sup>th</sup> December

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## Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y4 are swimming. Kits in school, please.</li> <li>• Y1 – Y6 classes will be taking part in the ‘Poppies and Poetry’ workshop.</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Young Voices Practice (Y4,5,6): 3.15 – 4.15pm</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent Drop-In with Mrs Rigby: 9 – 10.30am <i>Please book a space via the School Office</i></li> <li>• JAM Club: 3.15 – 4.15pm</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y6 School Trip to Blackburn Cathedral and Mosque – please see letter</li> <li>• Y4 Drawing Club with Mrs Longdon: 3.15 – 4:15pm</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y6 Remembrance Service: 10.40 – 11.10am in the school Hall. Y6 parents welcome (max. 2 family members per child please).</li> <li>• Indoor Athletics Practice with Mrs Biggs: 3.15 – 4.30pm – please see email.</li> </ul>

### Reminder of key dates and activities for Autumn Term (excluding Christmas specific dates noted above)

- **Whole School** – Poppy / merchandise sales will take place from Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Please see detail above from the School Council and Mrs McGirl.
- **Y6 (Curlews)** - Blackburn Cathedral and Mosque Trip – **rescheduled – now to Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November**. Please see original letter. All other details remain the same.
- **Y6 (Curlews)** - Y6 will lead our Remembrance Service on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November in the Hall. This is for parents / family members of children in Curlews class only. This will start at 10.40am and we will all pause and reflect at 11am with a minute’s silence. No booking required, with a polite request for a maximum of 2 family members per child please.
- **Y5 & Y6 School Council** - Pupil Parliament Day on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November @ Lancaster University Sports Centre. This will run from 9.30am – 2pm. Children to be directly transported to the event (no school registration required). Further details will be provided by Mrs McGirl when available.
- **Whole School** - Children in Need Day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November. Dress in something bright and / or spotty and a minimum £1 donation to be brought in a named, sealed envelope please. Biscuits will be available to purchase for 50p at breaktime. Biscuit donations would be gratefully received – if you are able to donate, please email [bursar@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@stpetersheysham.lancs.sch.uk) to notify us, to ensure we know how many biscuits we will have available. We may also have a special visitor join us on the day... 😊



## **Keeping Children Safe Online:**

**In the real world we protect our children. So why not keep them safe online?**

**An 'essential' online safety briefing for parents, guardians, and carers.**

**Date: MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**Start time: 6PM**

**PLEASE BOOK YOUR PLACE VIA THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

**Duration:** Approximately 1 hr 15 mins with time for questions.

### **About the briefing**

Many people, including young children are users of the internet.

Having access to online information and the functionality that the internet can offer has many benefits and for most it plays an important part of our everyday lives. However, as technology moves on at such a pace it is difficult to keep up with new trends and developments, particularly regarding mobile devices/games technology and safe accessibility to online content.

Young people are spending more time online and research shows evidence that issues relating to exploitation, manipulation or abuse are adding to concerns regarding online safety. Research now shows that life online can also have an impact on wellbeing and in some cases contribute to mental health problems.

What are our children doing online? Do we know how they are behaving?  
Are they safe? Who are they communicating with?  
Do they know what to do if they come across something suspicious?  
Are they accessing content appropriate for their age?  
Are they giving away too much personal information that may make them vulnerable or affect them in the future?  
Are they spending too much time online?  
Are we having conversations about all the above?

We would ask at least one parent/carer from each family to attend this session where a Lancashire Education Authority Consultant will present an awareness briefing to address some of the issues mentioned above.

The session is for parents/carers only and will last for approximately 1hr 15mins with an opportunity for questions during or after the presentation.

The Local Authority and our school have policies in place to ensure children are learning in a safe and secure environment which includes being safe online. Therefore, this session has been organised to help you to contribute to this process in helping children to be aware of the potential problems associated with using the internet and modern technologies.

**The session is not suitable for children**

**OFSTED regard these sessions as an integral part of a school's Safeguarding/Online Safety policy and they expect schools to have offered this support for parents. Please help us to keep young children safe.**

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## Christmas IN HEYSHAM VILLAGE

### CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 9th December, 12-6pm  
 Sunday 10th December, 12-6pm

The Royal Heysham Pub Car Park

Pedestrian access via Royal Fold on Main Street, LA5 2RN

Only  
 £1  
 entry per  
 adult\*

- Local Artisan Stalls
- Large Marquee
- Thwaites Shire Horses (Sunday)
- Alpacas (Saturday)
- The Royal Heysham Pub: open for food and drinks inside and outside in their heated tent.
- Live music in the heated tent!



\*All proceeds from this event will be reinvested back into the community.

**PLEASE WALK TO VISIT  
 US WHERE POSSIBLE**

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