



St. Peter's Newsletter

Flourishing Together

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

Friday 9th January 2026



Welcome Back to School

Welcome Back to School!

We are delighted to welcome everyone back for the start of the spring term. It has been wonderful to see the children return, full of energy and ready to learn. We would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents and families who kindly bought gifts for staff or contributed to class collections. Your generosity and thoughtfulness were truly appreciated and made the staff feel valued and supported as we ended a busy term. The biscuits and treats for the staff room were very much appreciated during those busy weeks! Please remember, while this kindness is appreciated, it is never expected—thank you!

KINDNESS,
LOVE, Self-control **JOY,**
FAITHFULNESS,
GENTLENESS,
GOODNESS,
PEACE,
PATIENCE,

We hope you all enjoyed a restful Christmas break. The children have settled back into school life brilliantly and have already begun their new learning units. This week, our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils enjoyed an energetic fitness session. A big thank you to Mrs Owens and Mrs Biggs for organising these activities and helping the children understand the importance of exercise for both physical and mental health. These sessions will continue over the coming weeks.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Dodd and the team at St Peter's

Our Christian Values

- A** Aim High
SET GOALS
- C** Curiosity
SHOW EAGERNESS TO LEARN
- H** Help each other
IN ALL WE DO
- I** Integrity
DO WHAT IS RIGHT
- E** Effort
KEEP GOING AND DON'T GIVE UP
- V** Value others
SHOW RESPECT AND KINDNESS
- E** Explore
ACT WISELY AND THINK BEFORE YOU ACT

We welcomed the children back on Tuesday with whole-school worship focused on qualities needed for long journeys e.g. patience, perseverance, and determination. Linked to the Magi's journey to see Jesus, we thought about how the Magi might have felt on their journey. We reflected on how achieving a goal can also be a journey. Throughout the week, the children demonstrated these qualities in their learning and activities.

Stars of the Week

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



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



Skylark Classes <i>Olivia B</i>		Oystercatchers <i>Logan</i>	Eider Ducks <i>Ivan</i>
Turnstones <i>Esme S</i>	Dunlins <i>Penelope</i>	Lapwings <i>Alek</i>	Curlews <i>Arabella</i>

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Keep us informed

Circumstances can change, and we want to support your child as best we can. If anything may affect their wellbeing or learning, please speak directly to their class teacher or Mrs Rigby. All information will be treated confidentially.

If your contact details have changed (address, phone number, emergency contacts), please inform the school office or email us as soon as possible. We require at least two emergency contacts in line with safeguarding procedures. If a child is absent and we haven't received a message, we will call all listed numbers.

Significant changes such as separation, bereavement, or a house move can impact a child's emotional wellbeing. Please share these updates with the class teacher or team so we can provide the right support.

For safeguarding reasons, we will be tightening up on drop-off and pick-up procedures:

Pick-Up:

- EYFS and KS1 need to be supervised by parents on arrival to school. Please do not leave your child on the bottom playground.
- Children will only be released to adults listed on the school's agreed collection sheet. If someone else needs to collect your child, please inform the school in advance so we can ensure this is safe and approved.
- Please collect promptly, as the site must be secured for after-school activities by **3:30pm**.

Play Equipment:

- If your child uses the equipment before school, please supervise them and ensure safe play.
- After school, the grounds and equipment should not be used for extra playtime.

Sustainability – Request from Mrs Longdon

Gardening Request

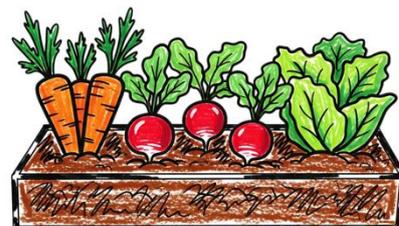
This term, we are restarting our gardening projects as part of our Climate Action Plan to make our school greener and more sustainable. We will be planting flowers, fruit, and vegetables to support biodiversity.

We would appreciate donations of the following:

- Old recycling boxes
- Seed trays
- Any unused seeds
- Bamboo Canes
- Wooden pallets

If you can help, please contact the school office.

Thank you for your support!



Request from EYFS



Can You Be a Classroom Hero? Our EYFS children would love to meet real-life community helpers! This is part of their learning. They are looking for volunteers to visit and share what you do—whether you're a nurse, vet, police officer, mechanic, or provide any helpful service.

Bring your tools, tell us about your job, or even show off a special vehicle or equipment! Our Early Years team will support you with ideas.

If you (or a family member) can spare a little time for a short visit, please get in touch via the school office.

General Reminders

- Please ensure your child is in full school uniform. Full black trainers are acceptable. Shoulder length hair should be tied up. No extreme haircuts with shaved lines.
- Label all clothing to help reduce lost property.
- Water bottles must be plastic, not glass, for health and safety reasons.
- If you use Breakfast Club and / or After School Club please make sure payments are being made to the account or provision may be suspended.

Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing

Monday 12th January	
Tuesday 13th January	Y4 Swimming – Please make sure kits are in school. Y5 and Y6 have fitness sessions in school PE Kits 1pm – Reception Class vision screening tests
Wednesday 14th January	13:15pm – Y3 Ukulele lessons start in school Y5/6 Dodgeball at Bay Leadership refer to the letter.
Thursday 15th January	3:15 – 4:15 Young Voices 3:15 – 4:15 – Y4 Ball Games Club
Friday 16th January	

Reminder of Key Dates for the Next Half Term –

Spring Term Up and Coming Dates

Y4- Y6 Young Voices Group – Young Voices is every Thursday until 29th January

They will be going to the Co-Op Arena to perform on Thursday 5th February

Y3 Will have Ukulele every Wednesday commencing next week. Please remember the instrument needs to be brought to school.

HALF TERM DATES

Last Day - Friday 13th February – Back to school Monday 23rd February

Parents Evenings – Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th February

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