



Headteacher Message

We've now reached the halfway point of the half term, and I'm incredibly proud of how hard the children are working across all subjects. School is a very busy learning environment, full of energy, curiosity, and creativity. Every day brings new opportunities for the children to grow in confidence and to challenge themselves—whether in the classroom, in the playground, or through extracurricular activities.

A special mention must go to our Year 2 pupils, who had an amazing time at the zoo earlier this week. They returned full of excitement and were eager to share everything they had seen and learned with the rest of the school. Their enthusiasm was infectious, and it's clear the trip left a lasting impression on them!



Next week, our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs tests. We have worked hard to reassure them that all we ask is for them to try their best. These assessments are just one part of their learning journey, and we've reminded them that they should not feel worried or anxious. We are incredibly proud of their efforts so far and we know they will approach the week with the same positive attitude and resilience they have shown throughout the year. Please note that there is a minimum of 7 staff members each day involved in administering the tests which includes staff from our office team and senior leadership team. Therefore, Mrs Dodd and other staff will not be available in mornings next week. We kindly ask that any queries come through the school office and they will be responded to as soon as possible.

Our Growing School

Have you seen the fantastic work happening in EYFS and KS1? The lower playground is looking great — our team has been busy planting and growing, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed the experience. They continue to care for their crops with great enthusiasm!

If any parents or family members are keen gardeners and have spare vegetable plants to donate, we would be delighted to add them to our growing collection. Ideally, we are looking for plants that we can harvest prior to the summer holiday.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Dodd and the team at St Peter's

Our School Worship and Christian Characteristics

This term we are focusing on one of our Christian Characteristics – Faithfulness



Reverend Mark kindly joined us on Tuesday for worship and shared with us the story of Saul and Paul, where Jesus fed the 5,000. We reflected on how Jesus was able to spread his love through providing food for those in need and that having faith will help us to overcome adversity. This message was even more important as we overcame some technical difficulties!

In classes the children reflected on VE Day, understanding the significance, importance and the impact war has had on people's lives.

Annual Heysham Village Spring / Summer Cleanup Saturday 10th May

Mr Kitchen (our Site Manager) is involved in the annual spring/summer cleanup around Heysham Village. This takes place tomorrow (Saturday 10th May) and starts at 10am in the village car park.

Activities will include a couple of hours of weeding / litter picking / general tidying of the local area to ensure we can all continue to enjoy the beautiful place in which we live, work and play!

Refreshments will be available at the Royal Hotel (Heysham Village) afterwards. Thank you!

Curriculum Experiences



In addition to Year 2, who have had a wonderful trip to Blackpool Zoo this week, Y4 had a fabulous visit on site from Professor Tuesday for their Anglo-Saxon experience.

Thank you to all parents who have kindly contributed towards this curriculum experience.

Stars of the Week

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



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



Skylark <i>Jessica</i>	Sanderling <i>Eden</i>	Oystercatchers <i>Arthur Mc</i>	Eider Ducks <i>Sophie A</i>
Turnstones <i>Lottie</i>	Dunlins <i>Jack</i>	Lapwings <i>Willow</i>	Curlews <i>Theo</i>

Well done to all of our super stars who have made us all extremely proud this week.

Year 6 Reminders

We'd like to remind our Year 6 parents to support their children in staying calm and positive ahead of SATs next week. A relaxing weekend with plenty of rest can really help to minimise any worries and set them up for success.

Please encourage your child to simply try their best - there is no pressure and we are proud of each one of them.

Early nights and a good breakfast each morning will help them to feel alert and ready and it's especially important that all children arrive at school on time, so they can settle in and begin each day feeling calm and confident.

Could Your Child be Eligible for PPG Funding?

We understand that family circumstances can change and this may mean you are now receiving certain benefits that make your child eligible for free school meals. *These free school meals are separate to the universal free school meals that every child in Early Years and KS1 are entitled to until they reach KS2.* If your situation has changed, please contact the school office.

Your child may also be eligible for Pupil Premium Grant (PPG) funding if your family receives qualifying benefits, or if your child has been adopted from care, is currently in care, or has a parent serving in the armed forces. This funding enables the school to provide additional support, resources and opportunities tailored to your child's needs.

If you think your child may be eligible, please speak to the school office in confidence - the process is quick and the support can make a real difference.

We also need to remind parents of children in Y2 that when their child moves to Y3 in September, school meals will no longer be free of charge under the 'universal free school meals' scheme. School meals will be chargeable unless your child is eligible as above. Please come to the school office to collect a form, if you feel your circumstances may result in your child being eligible for free school meals.

LAST CALL TO CHECK LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure all your child's clothing and personal items are clearly labelled. Our lost property collection is growing, and many items remain unclaimed. Today will be the final day to check for any missing belongings. After this, any unlabelled items in good condition will be donated to the Uniform Hub.

Weather Reminder

As the sun has started to come out, we recommend that you apply suncream to your child(ren) each morning before school and if you wish, please send them with their own bottle of suncream (labelled) to apply themselves. We also recommend a sun hat (labelled) and filled water bottle to be brought to school each day.

Thank you!

TTRS Competition Update from Mrs Owens

Second week of TTRS competition done! Well done to Y4, who win the trophy for the most points 😊.

It was girls v's boys this week...Boys won with 17,030 points (girls got 10,320), so all boys will receive 15 minutes of extra playtime today.

Next week is a house competition - Reds v Blues v Yellows v Greens, with the winning team (most points) all getting 15 mins extra playtime next week.

Food Bank – Donations

Thankyou to those in KS1 for their donations over the last fortnight – your generosity and kindness is much appreciated!

The final collection of this half term will take place on Monday 19th May for **KS2 donations** (instead of Friday 23rd), to allow time for the foodbank to come and collect items before we break for May half term.



Dates for the Diary – Week Commencing Monday 12th May

Monday 12 th May	*SATS Week – please make sure Y6 children are in school on time*
Tuesday 13 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Y4 Trip to Liverpool Museum – please ensure all ParentPay actions are complete and refer to the letter sent home.• Y3 Swimming (AM)-please bring kits in.• Y2 STEM Club: 3.15 - 4.15pm for those enrolled.
Wednesday 14 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Y3 Ukulele - please remember your instrument.
Thursday 15 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Y4 (AM) and Y3 (PM) Outdoor Education Session (rescheduled from 24th April) <i>This is on the school grounds and we ask that children come to school in suitable outdoor wear, including old trainers or wellies and waterproofs (just in case)</i>• Y5/6 Sports Club: 3.15-4.15 for those enrolled.• YR Superball Paul Club: 3.15-4.15 for those enrolled.
Friday 16 th May	

Summer Term Up and Coming Dates

- Week Commencing 12th May – Y6 SATS week
- 21st May Y5 Class Worship @ 2.30pm. No booking required, 2 x adults per child in Y5.
Rescheduled from original slot of Wednesday 7th May
- 22nd May - Bag 2 School Collection – spare/additional bags are available from the school office. Please leave all sealed bags behind the school wall by the main grey gate (just behind the school notice board) before 9am on this day – thank you for your support
- 22nd May – Y6 Primary Sports Olympics Festival – please see letter for more details due home today.

Half Term – Monday 26th May – Children return to school on Monday 9th June

- 11th June – Y4 to The Nature Reserve (Part 2)
- 18th June – School Council Trip to London – Visit to The Houses of Parliament – information to follow
- 23rd June – Y6 Climbing Wall experience at Salt Ayre – letter due to be sent home soon
- 24th June – Planned Sports Day – Weather Dependent
- 25th June – New Reception Starters (September 2025 Intake) Parent Information Session
- 30th June – Reception Trip to Lakeland Maize Maze – letters will be sent home soon with details
- 1st July – Planned Sports Day Option 2 Weather Dependent
- 3rd July – Planned Sports Day Option 3 Weather Dependent
- Week Commencing 7th July – Y6 Bikeability – Communication will be shared soon
- 10th July – New Reception Class (September 2025 Intake) Teddy Bear's Picnic
- 16th July – Y1 Trip to Heysham Nature Reserve – letters will be sent home soon with details
- 16th and 17th July – Y6 Evening Performances
- Week Commencing 14th July – Reports to Parents
- Wednesday 23rd July – Y6 to have picnic lunch with parents and Leavers Assembly from 2pm

“I have come in order that you might have life, life in all its fullness,” John 10:10

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