

## Newsletter: 25 October 2024

### News:

In Year 6 this week, we have been writing poetry to enter the Young Writers 'Wonderverse' competition. The children have written some wonderful poems. Here is Phoebe's fantastic acrostic! **Mrs H Makins**

#### **Stranded on an island**



**Stranded on an island**  
**Sand all around**  
**Troubles began**  
**Rising rays of sun beaming down**  
**Abandoned island no life to be seen**  
**No drinkable water or food**  
**Danger lurks in every corner**  
**Endless water around the island**  
**Dark shadows swallow up the island**

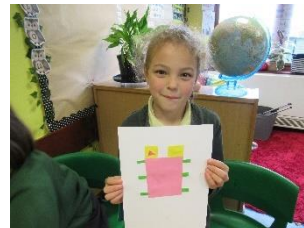
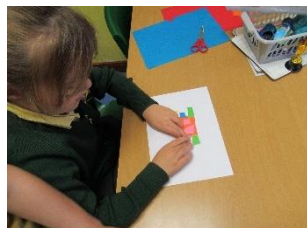
**On an island all alone**  
**Nothing to keep me company**  
**All hope is lost**  
**Now I'm desperate**

**I call for help**  
**Soon the moon will rise**  
**Luck is on my side as I see a passing boat**  
**All hope has re-emerged**  
**No one on the boat sees me**  
**Doom approaches**

by Phoebe, Year 6



**Year 3** have put their collage skills into action this week by completing artwork in the style of Henry Matisse. Each child created an abstract collage inspired by an animal of their choice using angular shapes. **Miss E Boddice**



What a fabulous day we had competing against other schools at the tag rugby tournament in Bromyard! All the children displayed fantastic sportsmanship and worked brilliantly as a team. Well done St Peter's!

**Mr L Hollywell**



### Half Termly Reading Awards

Congratulations to the following children who received a special book from the St. Peter's Vending Machine for their wonderful reading progress during the first half term. Well done – we hope you enjoy reading your books. **Mrs H Yarnold**



<b>R-William</b>	<b>Y1 – Millie</b>
<b>Y2 – Isla</b>	<b>Y3 – Henry</b>
<b>Y4 – Amelia</b>	<b>Y5 – Cecilia</b>
<b>Y6 – Isabel</b>	

### Hot Chocolate Friday

Edie, Isabel and Cecilia enjoyed hot chocolate and chocolate chip cookies with Mrs Yarnold as a thank you for supporting younger children in our school. Thank you so much girls for being so kind and caring towards younger pupils. **Mrs H Yarnold**





Year 6 have had lots of fun this half term at Forest School, here are a few photos to showcase what we have been up to.

**Miss R Jinks**





# Halloween Fun



## Attendance:

We have had a strong start this term with attendance, thank you. Attendance this week is 97.4%

A reminder that if your child is well enough to attend school, please send them as it is vital they attend school as regularly as possible. If your child has been off school with a sickness bug, they need to be 48 hours clear before they return. **Absences must be reported daily either via message through the MCAS app, emailing [gunwin@st-peters.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:gunwin@st-peters.hereford.sch.uk) or calling the school on 01885 483237.**

*As per the letter sent out recently there has been a change to the national guidance regarding term time holidays. We are unable to authorise any term time holidays now unless there are exceptional circumstances. This is a decision taken by Herefordshire Council and is beyond our control. Thank you for your understanding.*

Highest Class attendance this week goes to: **YEAR 5 and 6**  
**who have both achieved 100% attendance this week**

## Awards:

	Pupil of the Week	Book Worm	Behaviour Champion
Nursery	Fliss	Finley	Christian
Reception	Philippa	Mateo	Philippa
Year 1	Mia	Harriet	Fearne
Year 2	Elsie	Ted	Flo
Year 3	Phoebe M	Phoebe E	Derry
Year 4	Connor	Faith	Hubert
Year 5	Toby	Daisy	Phoebe
Year 6	Postponed due to swimming		

## Dogs on school grounds



We have had several incidents recently where dog poo has been left on the playground/grass areas of school.

We do not wish to enforce a 'no dogs on school grounds' policy but feel it may come to this if the problem continues.

'No dogs on school grounds' policies are designed for the safety of children and to protect children with allergies. Plus, there's nothing worse than dog poo in the playground...other than dog poo on children's shoes!

**Please remember we do have CCTV!**



The Flu immunisation team will be here on 14<sup>th</sup> November. Whether you give consent or not **YOU MUST** register with the team so that they can record your wishes.

<https://midlands.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/herefordshire>

## Reminder to parents of Year 6 pupils

The closing date to apply for secondary transfer 2025 is the 31 October and if you have not applied yet, please to do so by this date. More information regarding transfer 2025 can be found on [Secondary school admissions – Herefordshire Council](#)

The link to make an application is [Apply for a School Place \(herefordshire.gov.uk\)](#) you will need to create an account if you not already done so.



**Isabel (Y6)**  
**Edie (Y6)**  
**Harrison (Y4)**  
**Max (Y1)**

**REMINDER** QE High School is closed on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**, therefore, there will be **no hot school lunches** available from Black Pepper, please organise a packed lunch. Thank you.



**YEAR 5**  
**Thursday**

**Starting on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November for 6 weeks.**

**Last one on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December.**

Please come to school dressed in your Forest School clothes, with your outdoor boots or wellies in a carrier bag.

## The Parish of Greater Whitbourne Autumn Fun Days

(for 4-11 yr olds)

Whitbourne Village Hall

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> & Tues 29<sup>th</sup> October



10.00 am  
to  
2.00 pm



Music, crafts, games & story.

£8.00 for 1 day or £15.00 for 2 days

(cash only please)

Light lunch provided

For details or to book contact Marion:

Text 07483 89 56 56 or email marionsymmons@hotmail.co.uk



## NEW Support Group

We are offering a FREE monthly support group for all parents, grandparents, youngsters and children experiencing or caring for someone with Autism, ADHD, ADD, PDA. (List not exhaustive)

A safe and inclusive space for everyone to share their experiences, feel understood, listened to and accepted.

Sports Hall with activities

Sensory Space

Group support space

Refreshments for all

**Halo Bromyard Centre**

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

**11:30-1pm**

Sponsored by

Please contact Michelle or Chris on  
07837 359403/07975 594311



The Conquest Theatre Presents

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## The Musical

Book and Lyrics by  
David Lindsay-Abaire

Music by  
Jeanine Tesori

**25, 26, 31 Oct 1 & 2 Nov 7.30pm**  
**27 Oct & 2 Nov 2.30pm**

**TICKETS: Adults - £16 | Under 16 - £12**

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions  
Based on the Dreamworks Animation Motion Picture and the book by William Steig  
This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International  
All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI [www.mtishows.co.uk](#)  
Conquest Theatre, Tenbury Road, Bromyard HR7 4LL  
[conquest-theatre.co.uk](#) | 01885 488575

## Dates for your diary:

### November

- 4<sup>th</sup> QE High School **CLOSED** – no Black Pepper Hot Lunches available (packed lunch from home)
- 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Swimming – Year 6
- 5<sup>th</sup> Quick Sticks Hockey (*invited children*)
- 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Parents' Evening - letter to follow
- 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Shopping Evening at QEHS for St Peter's PTA
- 14<sup>th</sup> Flu Vaccinations
- 14<sup>th</sup> Bikeability (1/3) – Year 6
- 15<sup>th</sup> 'Here Girls Can' Festival (*invited children*)
- 15<sup>th</sup> Children in Need - Crazy Hair Day - letter to follow
- 18<sup>th</sup> Bikeability (2/3) – Year 6
- 20<sup>th</sup> Bikeability 3/3) – Year 6

### December

- 3<sup>rd</sup> School Games Basketball – (*invited children*)
- 10<sup>th</sup> KS1 Nativity Performances 2pm and 6pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> Christmas Jumper Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> St Michael's Hospice Reindeer Run
- 19<sup>th</sup> Christmas Carol Service in St. Peter's Church 1.45pm-2.30pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> End of Term

### January

- 7<sup>th</sup> Spring Term Begins
- 20<sup>th</sup> School Nurse Drop-in Clinic, 9.30am-11.30am see poster attached

## After School Clubs

New after school clubs will start after the half term break commencing on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November. These will run for 6 weeks, ending week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> December.

**ALL** after school clubs must now be booked using your MCAS (My Child at School) app. To obtain your login details, please email or phone the school office.

Day	Activity	Year Group	Led By	Maximum
Monday	Lego Club	Year R, 1	Mrs L Jones, Mrs H Mills, Miss Z Jay	20
Monday	Choir	Year 3, 4, 5, 6	Mrs H Yarnold	25
Monday	Basketball	Year 3, 4, 5, 6	Miss R Jinks	15
Tuesday	Seasonal Art and Crafts	Year R, 1, 2	Miss L Gullis	15
Tuesday	Gardening	Year 3, 4, 5, 6	Mrs K Miles	20
Thursday	Netball	Year 3, 4, 5, 6	Miss R Jinks	15
Thursday	Computing Club	Year 3, 4, 5, 6	Mr L Hollywell	15
Thursday	Playdough Club	Year R, 1, 2	Miss Z Rutherford	15

## Breakfast Club and After School Provision

### NEW PRICING STRUCTURE – ALL SESSIONS MUST BE PRE-BOOKED

Breakfast Club: **7:45am - 8:30am** £3.50 per session per child

After School Club: **3:15pm - 4:30pm** £5.00 per child

**4:30pm – 5:30pm** £2.00 per child



When children come in to school dressed in their PE kit it allows for more time to be used for physical activity rather than time taken up changing.

Monday	Year 4 wear kit to school
Monday	Year 5 bring kit to school to change
Tuesday	Year 3 wear kit to school
Tuesday	Year 6 bring kit to school to change
Wednesday	Reception wear kit to school
Wednesday	Year 2 wear kit to school
Thursday	Year 1 wear kit to school

## SCHOOL NURSE

The School Nurse Service to support Children and their Families in Herefordshire Schools

**Did You Know...**

The school nurse can support your child with physical and emotional health needs. The school can refer you for a chat, or contact us below

**Get in Touch**

Ways you can get in contact with the school nurse and find out useful information:

- Call: 01432 363940
- Text: 07813 451 034
- Herefordshire School Nurses

Hello My Name is... **Briony**

I am running a drop in session at St Peter's on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025, 9.30am-11.30am. Please book in via the school office

**School Nurse Support**

The School Nurse can support your child with their health needs. Take a look at some of the things we can support with...

**TALK TO US ABOUT**

- Emotional Health
- Puberty
- Dental Health
- Healthy Lifestyle
- Worries
- Height & Weight
- Sleep
- Anger
- Transition
- LGBT+

NHS Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services Herefordshire and Worcestershire

## WELLBEING AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT TEAMS

**We are talking about:**

Why do we need sleep, common difficulties including worry and screen time, bedtime routines and top tips.

Pupils in Y3-6 will receive a special assembly earlier in the day 'Top Tips For Sleeping'

Please email us or let school know if you have any accessibility needs.

**Top Tips for Helping Your Child Sleep**

A Workshop for parents and carers of primary school aged children

**Where: St. Peter's Primary School**

**When: Mon. 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 2.30pm**

For more information speak to: Mrs Sam Smith

**Find out what WEST has to offer:**

[www.camhs.hacw.nhs.uk/west](http://www.camhs.hacw.nhs.uk/west)  
[whcnhs.mhtis-camhs@nhs.net](mailto:whcnhs.mhtis-camhs@nhs.net)

