



St. Peter's
Catholic
Primary School

Newsletter 2

15th September 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful first full week back in school, and we are all delighted with how settled the children are in their new classes, and the exemplary behaviour that is being shown.

CURRICULUM

This term our curriculum has a History focus, and your children will be learning about the following themes and topics:

Reception: Ourselves/Families; Traditional tales; Seasons and celebrations

Year 4: Romans

Year 1: Houses and homes over time; The Great fire of London; Samuel Pepys

Year 5: Anglo Saxons and Vikings

Year 2: History of Transport

Year 6: World War 1

Year 3: Ancient Egypt

More details about our curriculum are available on the curriculum and class pages of the school website. Remember to follow the school and your class on Twitter (now called X!) for regular updates about the learning taking place in school:

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Please refer to my previous letter regarding the range of services we are able to offer to support mental health and wellbeing. If you feel that your child would benefit from extra support or counselling, please speak with me, or your child's class teacher.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Open evenings at a range of Doncaster secondary schools will be taking place over the next few weeks for current Year 6 pupils and parents.

These are as follows:

McAuley 28th September 5 – 8pm

Hall Cross 12th October 4.30 – 7pm

Hayfield 6 – 7pm

Once decided, applications should be made online via:

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/secondary-admissions>

The closing date for applications is **31st October 2023**.

FLU IMMUNISATION

Please remember to complete the online form send by email to ensure your child is signed up to receive their flu immunisation in school. Please note you are required to complete the form even if you are declining consent.

MACMILLAN TEA/COFFEE AFTERNOON

A reminder that on Friday 29th September we will be holding a tea/coffee afternoon in aid of MacMillan Cancer support. This will take place in the school hall from 1.30 – 3pm. We would very much appreciate any donations for raffle prizes and request that these come into school over the next few weeks. In addition, please could donations of BOUGHT cupcakes/buns come in from Wednesday 27th September onwards. We hope you will all support this wonderful worthwhile event, and huge thanks to Mrs Hamilton for organising this for our school.

UNIFORM

Our children have looked very smart this week. Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform at all times. PE kits is plain white t-shirt or polo shirt, plain navy shorts or joggers and a plain navy hoodie. Please be reminded earrings are not permitted in school.

SAFEGUARDING

The designated safeguarding leads at St. Peter's are myself and Mrs Brewster. Please speak to one of us in confidence if you have any concerns.

CAMERAS ON SANDY LANE/PARKING

A reminder that City Of Doncaster Council has installed a camera enforcement system to use outside a number of schools in the Borough, including St. Peter's. This is designed to promote a safer environment around the school gates by reducing congestion, which in turn improves air quality.

We really appreciate the high level of support for the school streets project this year, and hope that this measure will encourage motorists to reconsider the need to drive to school.

If you do need to drive, remember to use the large car park outside the bowling alley and Vue Cinema. We ask you to be respectful of local residents, and avoid parking in the local streets. There have been a number of incidents of inconsiderate and dangerous parking.

In addition, we have received a complaint from the Aircraft Museum regarding parents parking on the lane leading up to the museum which is private land.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Well done to these children who have been chosen by their teachers for a positive start to the new school year. This must have been incredibly difficult to choose!

ROCK STEADY

Rocksteady in-school band lessons are the perfect opportunity for your child to learn to play an instrument, develop life skills, have fun, gain confidence, and boost their wellbeing. As they progress through the Rocksteady curriculum, they will collect up to 300 different instrument, musicianship, and performance skills along the way.

For more details on availability and cost, visit rocksteadymusicschool.com and find your school on the sign up page or call 0330 113 0330

PHOTOGRAPHS

Individual and sibling photographs take place in school on Monday 16th October.

PARENTS EVENING

Parents evening takes place in school on Tuesday 10th October. You will be able to book your slots on Arbor when they are released w/c 25th September.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday this week and last week to:

Olivia, Sofia, Ava, Hubert, Lilly-Mae, TJ, Ife, Yusuf, Michelle, Asope, Afope, Molly and Ashton. We hope you had a lovely day with your family and friends

HOUSE POINTS

94 house points have been issued this week – winners **Red House - Whitby**

BLUE - Fountains	19
GREEN - Roche	22
RED - Whitby	30
YELLOW - Kirkstall	23

HEADTEACHER AWARD

Well done to those children who have been recognised for making a positive start to the school year:



Hubert & Tristan
Sorei & Sasha
Georgie & Azaan
Zara & Filip O



Flynn & Eva
Logan & Tilly

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Year 6 – winners of the attendance award with a brilliant 100%!

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 20th September: Y4 Road Safety Sessions – please return consent slips

Friday 29th September: MacMillan Tea/Coffee afternoon 1.30 – 3pm

Thursday 5th October: Harvest Mass 9.15am – all welcome

Tuesday 10th October: Parents Evening 2pm – 7pm – book slots on Arbor from w/c 25.09

Wednesday 11th October: Flu vaccinations – complete the consent form online

Monday 16th October: School photographs (individual & sibling)

Friday 20th October: Break up for half term

I wish you all a wonderful weekend. Please keep in your prayers the people of Morocco and Libya following the devastating earthquake and floods in those countries.

God Bless

Mrs Young