



St. Peter's
Catholic
Primary School

Newsletter 5

6th October 2023

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Dear Parents

It has another busy week here at St. Peter's. I love going into classes to see all the wonderful learning that is taking place across school.

HARVEST MASS

Our Harvest Mass was celebrated in school on Thursday. It was a wonderful celebration and a reminder of the importance of giving thanks and sharing our love with others. Thank you for all your generous donations of food, which have been collected by a local food bank. They are going to let us know the total weight of the food donated and how many people this will help to feed.

PARENTS EVENING

Our first parents evening of the year will be held on Tuesday 10th October between 2pm and 7pm. This will provide you with an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and discuss how they have settled in so far. Please sign up for an appointment via Arbor. We kindly request that children are not brought to the meetings, although provision will be provided to oversee those children whose parents have appointments at collection time. This will run until 3.30pm.

CONTACT WITH CLASS TEACHERS

Could I ask that if you have any concerns or queries, these should first of all be directed to your child's class teacher, who are always available before and after school. However, please be mindful that at the start of the school day, they are seeing children into class, and at the end of the day, they have to ensure that every child is collected safely. They cannot therefore always be seen immediately, and we ask you to be patient at this busy time of day. If you have a longer query, it might be advisable to make an appointment to see the teacher after school, or e-mail them via the class e-mail address. The teachers check these regularly. The e-mail address for each class is as follows:

reception@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk
year1@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk
year2@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk
year3@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk

year4@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk
year5@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk
year6@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk

FR. BERNARD O'BRIEN

As some of you will be aware, Fr Bernard O'Brien, former parish priest of St. Paul's Cantley, died peacefully recently following a short illness. Fr. Bernard was a long-time supporter of St Peter's school and attended many governors' meetings representing St Paul's church. We give thanks for his faith and life of service, and ask you to remember Father Bernard and his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Applications should be made online via:

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

A reminder that the closing date for applications is **31st October 2023**.

FLU IMMUNISATIONS

The NHS vaccination and immunisation team are in school on Wednesday 11th October to carry out the flu immunisations on pupils who parents have consented via the online form.

UNIFORM

Our children continue to look very smart. Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform at all times. We have noticed a number of KS2 boys wearing trainers with their uniform. Please note trainers are only permitted for PE.

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.

ONLINE SAFETY

Further to the parent guidance we shared in last week's newsletter we have arranged for Year 5 and 6 children to receive a safety talk from the South Yorkshire Police School Engagement Team. You can help to support your child's safety by regularly checking what content they are accessing and putting the appropriate parental controls in place. We are also noticing a number of children who are tired from staying up late gaming. We will continue to educate our children, but please ensure you support this by ensuring appropriate limits and boundaries are in place at home.

BLUE PETER BADGE

ENJOY READING?



If it's a **YES!**, get yourself a
BLUE PETER BOOK BADGE!

Blue Peter have launched an exciting new Book Badge, designed by one of the UK's best known illustrators, Sir Quentin Blake, who you might know from bringing to life characters such as Roald Dahl's BFG and Matilda!

To earn your badge, just share your love of books with Blue Peter by answering some questions about your favourite books and authors!

Rules & guidance - you must:

- ★ Be aged between 5-15 years old.
- ★ Ask your parent or guardian for permission to apply and ask them to read the Privacy Notice and badge attraction terms and conditions.
- ★ Write about a book you have read and what you think about it. Maybe you liked the characters, or perhaps you enjoyed going on exciting adventures in faraway places.
- ★ Create an illustration of a character or a scene from the story. This could be a drawing, painting or even digital artwork.
- ★ Write about other books and authors you have enjoyed reading and why.
- ★ Get your parent or guardian to help you fill out your form and personal details.



If applying by post, send your application with the correct postage to:
Blue Peter, BBC Bridge House, MediaCityUK,
Salford, M50 2BH



If applying online, visit:
[https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/
findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge](https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge)



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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We are adding more after school clubs to our current provision. A letter will be going out next week enabling you to book your child on the following sessions for the Autumn 2 term:

- Monday Y1 & 2 Arts & Crafts £1/week
- Monday Y3 & 4 Spanish
- Wednesday Y3 & 4 Winter Crafts £1/week
- Thursday Y5 & 6 Football (full)
- Friday Y1 – 4 Ballet £3/week

NETBALL



A vertical poster for netball sessions. At the top, it says 'TUESDAYS 5-6PM' next to a basketball hoop icon. Below that is a silhouette of two girls playing netball. The text '@ XP SCHOOL' is prominently displayed. Underneath, it says 'FUN, GAME BASED NETBALL COACHING SESSIONS AGE 5-11 GIRLS & BOYS'. Further down, it provides contact information: 'REGISTER NOW - EMAIL: DONCASTERMININETTERS@OUTLOOK.COM' and 'FACEBOOK: DONCASTER NETTERS'. At the bottom, it says 'LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE' with an arrow pointing right. On the left side, there is a vertical arrow pointing up with the text 'JOIN US' written vertically. On the right side, there is a vertical arrow pointing down with the text 'JOIN US' written vertically. At the bottom right, there is a circular logo for 'DONCASTER NETTERS' featuring a netball.

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@ XP SCHOOL

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WOMENS WELLBEING GROUP

We have been approached to run a Women's Wellbeing club in school. If this would be something you would be interested in joining please contact the office so we can gauge interest.

HOLIDAY CAMPS

Activ8 Coaching are excited to be running a holiday camp through the October half term at Bessacarr primary school.

Who can attend?

All children aged 5-11 (Y1 – Y6)

How much is camp?

Camp is £15 per day, from 9am – 3pm.

8am breakfast club available for £5 per day.

Do I need to provide food?

Yes, you will need to provide a packed lunch, a refillable bottle and suitable clothing.

What will I expect to do at camp?

Monday: Multi - sports

Tuesday: Nerf wars

Wednesday: Den building

Thursday: Escape rooms

Friday: Fancy dress Friday / Halloween party games

To book onto the Activ8 camp, please click the following link: <https://activ8-camps.classforkids.io/camp/41>

HOUSE POINTS

57 house points have been issued this week. It is a 3-way tie between the Red, Green and Blue teams!

BLUE - Fountains	15
GREEN - Roche	15
RED - Whitby	15
YELLOW - Kirkstall	12

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday this week Amelia (6), Aoife (11), Ava (7) and Isaac (9), we hope you have a lovely time with your family and friends.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Many congratulations to these children who have been recognised for showing appreciation and gratitude.



Ilinca & Juliette
Amelia & Ryder
Jaiveer & Jack
Victor & Suzy



Raajveer & Mia
Tapon & Abbie
Lulu & Abby

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 10th October: Parents Evening 2pm – 7pm

Wednesday 11th October: Flu vaccinations

Monday 16th October: School photographs

Friday 20th October: Break up for half term

I wish you all a wonderful weekend, with lots of moments of joy, which fill you with gratitude.

God Bless
Mrs Young