



St. Peter's
Catholic
Primary School

Newsletter 8

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Dear Parents and carers

It has been another fantastic week in school, and we have now reached the end of our first half term. It has been a long one – eight weeks, and I think everyone is ready for a short break. Our children have settled in brilliantly to their new classes and are making wonderful progress.

Our new Reception class have settled into the routines of school so well, and it is lovely to see them spending time with their Year 6 buddies, who are such fabulous role models for the younger children.

On Thursday morning, we were treated to a beautiful Assembly from our Year 2 class. This brought together the learning from their 'Creation and Covenant' RE topic this half term. I was so disappointed that I had to miss it due to a meeting out of school, but I was treated to a sneak preview during the week and am informed it was even more wonderful on the day! Thank you to Mr. Drury, Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs Fitzsimons for putting this together and supporting and guiding the children through it.

Remember to follow the school and class pages of Twitter/X for more information about the wonderful learning that is taking place at St. Peter's.

@stpetersdon	@RecStPeterDon
@Y1StPeterDon	@Y2StPeterDon
@Y3StPeterDon	@Y4StPeterDon
@Y5StPeterDon	@Y6StPeterDon

MORNING ROUTINE

A polite reminder that parents should not be coming into school via the classroom doors in a morning. If you need to pass a message to your child's class teacher, please do so via the school office. Thank you.

WRAP AROUND CARE

If you have not already done so, please take a few moments to complete the survey sent out this week. This will help our Trust financial team to evidence if after school provision is required and sustainable at our school.

[Wrap around care questionnaire for parents - Google Forms](#)

NSPCC ONLINE SAFETY PARENT WORKSHOP

We have been approached by the NSPCC with an offer to deliver a workshop for parents on the theme of online safety. This would be a useful and informative session covering the ever changing complex digital world that our children are exposed to. It would cover topics such as gaming, social media, sharing images, parental controls etc. Before going ahead with organising this, we would like to gain an indication of the level of interest. Please take a few moments to answer a few questions via the attached Google form.

[Online safety parent workshop - Google Forms](#)

RHE SURVEY

Thank you to parents who have completed the survey about Relationships and Health Education. If you have not already done so, please could you spare a few minutes to do this via the link below:

<https://forms.gle/e7M8uMZm5FTa5q2j9>

ADMISSIONS

Applications for places in Year 7 at Doncaster secondary schools can be made online via:

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

Please note the closing date for secondary school applications is 31st October 2024

In addition, applications are also open for any parents with children who will be eligible to start the new Reception class in September 2025. **The closing date for this is 15th January 2025.**

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

PARKING

A polite reminder that in order to avoid congestion, we ask parents try to walk to school whenever possible, and avoid parking on Sandy Lane. Warning signs are in place advising parents of this. In addition, the school car park is for school staff and visitors only. For safety reasons, we have had to close the gate at 8.30am. Alternative parking is available at the Vue Cinema/Bowling Alley which is a short walk to and from school along the path.

A reminder that Doncaster Council have installed a CCTV camera installed outside the school. This will be monitoring the yellow keep clear restriction at the front of the school.

FLU IMMUNISATION FORMS

The School Age Immunisation Team will be delivering Flu vaccinations in school on the **28TH NOVEMBER 2024**. Please click on the link below to read the information about the vaccine and then complete the Electronic consent form with a **YES or NO**

<https://systems.rdash.nhs.uk/eConsent/106760FLU243451>

TEXTILE BANK

Remember we have a textile bank located in the staff car park for any clothing that you no longer want. The school are paid a fee dependent on the weight of items collected each term.

Y6 REQUEST

After half term Year 6 will be undertaking a design technology project using 15 x 15cm boxes. This is the size of most dishwasher/washing tablet boxes. Please save any you have and bring them to school for use.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

You should have all received your email from Tempest Photography containing an image of your child's school photograph. Please place your order before Tuesday 29th October to avail of free delivery back to school.

ARBOR IN-APP MESSAGES

In App notifications are now the first line of communication from school to home. Please note if you have not logged in to your child's Arbor account you will not receive the in-app messages, the communication will default to email.

You will need to *enable push notifications on your device* to receive timely alerts about important school announcements

YOUNG VOICES

The coach cost of £9.50 per child is now on Arbor. Please ensure all orders for t-shirts and tickets are made directly by parents on the Young Voice portal. You have until Thursday 31st October to place your order.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

St Peter's have been chosen to once again support the Remembrance Sunday parade and service at the Cenotaph on Sunday 10th November at 10.30am. If you would like your child to take part, please contact the office by Wednesday 6th November at the latest.

BOGGLEDY BOOK FAIR

Boggledy book fair are in school on Friday 8th November. All books are priced just £1, £2 or £3. Come and have a look at the many books on offer when you collect your child. Children will be able to visit the stall with staff if you would like to send money in an envelope clearly marked with their name and class.

BONFIRE MENU

The catering staff are putting on a fun menu for Bonfire Night on Tuesday 5th November. Children can enjoy Big Banger Hot Dogs or a Guy Fawkes Quorn Burger with chips, baked beans and ice cream. If you would like your child to take part and they are normally on packed lunches, please email the office by Monday 4th November.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

- Sketch Club Y2 & 3 - Tues 08.10 to 26.11 FULL
- Board Games KS2 - Mon 04.11 to 16.12 FULL
- Inclusive Sports (Boccia, archery etc) KS2 - Thurs 07.11 to 12.12 FULL

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday this week and over the half term to Chloe, Olly, Evani, Georgia, Tobiasz, Ellouise, Ava-Mae, Tapona, Mrs Oleksy, Mrs Weaver and Mrs Liddle. We hope you have a lovely time with your friends and families.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

In Gospel Assembly this week, we were reminded that although Jesus was a leader, he did not seek power or glory. Instead, he led by example, helping and supporting others. For this reason, our teachers have chosen children who are good examples of 'servant leadership' – who are good role models, and lead in a quiet unassuming way by their ability to engage, collaborate, help and support others. Well done everyone!

★ Evie B & Peter
★ George & Maya
★ Jack & Hazel
★ Raajveer and Daisy

★ Ife & Elizabeth
★ Zara & Shay
★ Milosz & Sinead

Also well done to Sienna and Grayson who received their Maths awards this week.

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Year 6, winners of the attendance award this week with an impressive 100%. Year 2 have won the overall attendance for half term with a superb 98.5% over the 8 weeks.

Attendance has been fantastic this half term with the school reaching its target of 97% for the first time. Unfortunately, we dropped to 94.5% on the last day of term – please ensure we commit to good attendance right to the end!

If you are ever unsure whether your child is too unwell to attend school, please check the NHS guidance 'Is my child too ill for school' <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> for advice.

HOUSE POINTS

94 points have been issued this week. To see your child's house point total please log onto their Arbor account.

BLUE - Fountains	23	RED - Whitby	28
GREEN - Roche	19	YELLOW - Kirkstall	24

An incredible 491 house points have been issued over the first half term. Well done **Red House (Whitby):**
BLUE 122 RED 139 GREEN 107 YELLOW 123

DIARY DATES

- Tuesday 22nd October: Year 5/6 EFL Cup Tournament, Eco Power Stadium 9.30 – 3pm
- Thursday 24th October: Year 2 Assembly on Creation 9am
- Friday 25th October: Break up for half term
- Monday 4th November: School Reopens 8.45am
- Monday 8th November: Boggledy Book Fair in school PM
- Monday 11th November: Y6 Remembrance Liturgy 9am – all welcome
- Thursday 14th November: KS2 trip to Doncaster Film Festival to see Migration (U)
- Friday 15th November: Non uniform day – Children in Need £1 donation
- Thursday 28th November: Flu Immunisation in School

SAFEGUARDING

The designated safeguarding leads at St. Peter's are myself and Mrs Fitzsimons. Please speak to one of us in confidence if you have any concerns. You can also make contact via the safeguarding e-mail:

safeguarding@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk

I hope you all have an enjoyable half term break with your families and are able to find some time to rest and recharge. I look forward to seeing you all again on 4th November.

Please remember in your prayers all those who continue to be affected by the devastating events in the Middle East. We pray for peace in our world and an end to the conflict.

God Bless,

Mrs Young