



St. Peter's
Catholic
Primary School

Newsletter 25

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Dear Parents and carers,

It has been another very busy week at St. Peter's as we approach the end of the Spring term.

First of all, thank you to all staff and pupils for the hard work that went into the open afternoon on Tuesday. We hope you enjoyed the range of interactive activities and the opportunity to share all the wonderful learning with the children. Thank you so much for supporting this event, we received some wonderful feedback!

On Wednesday afternoon, we were treated to another fabulous Rocksteady concert. It was fantastic to see the musicians and singers perform; they have all grown in confidence this term. Many thanks to our band leader Alex, who works so hard with the children, and brings out the best in them. We are proud of our involvement with Rocksteady, which is so inclusive and provides all children to participate and shine. If you would like your child to take part next term, please see the details below.

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/>

Thank you also to Year 4 who delivered a beautiful Assembly to the school community and families yesterday morning. This was based on their latest RE unit of work on The Eucharist looking at different parts of the Holy Mass.

Thank you for all your support with Red Nose Day today. Once again, it was lovely to see the children dressed in their favourite or red clothes enjoying a non-uniform day. We raised an amazing £204. To donate please follow the link [St Peter's Red Nose 2025 JustGiving Page](#)

Please keep an eye on X (Twitter) for further updates about your child's learning in class.

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HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT TRIP

I am delighted to let you know that we have been successful in our application to secure a visit to the Houses of Parliament for a group of KS2 pupil on Wednesday 11th June.

This is a fantastic opportunity that will offer our students a unique learning experience. The visit will include a tour of the Palace of Westminster and an engaging curriculum-informed workshop in the Houses of Parliament Education Centre. Hopefully, the pupils will also have the chance to meet our local MP, Sally Jameson, subject to her availability in Westminster at the time.

This visit will strengthen our pupils' understanding of British values, including democracy, and give them a deeper insight into the UK system of government. It aligns perfectly with our school vision and values, and our commitment to providing our children with enriching experiences that support their personal development.

As we anticipate a high level of interest we will hold a competition for this visit. If your child is interested in attending, they will need to write a letter of application (no more than 1 side of A4 paper) starting why they would like to attend. These will be reviewed by a staff panel and members of the School Council for a decision. The closing date for receipt of the letters is Friday 28th March.

WRAPAROUND CARE

Unfortunately, we have been unable to recruit suitable staff for the After School Provision, and there will be a delay to its implementation. We have re-advertised the positions and hopefully, we will get some more interested applicants. Please spread the word to anyone you think might be interested and come and speak with me or Mrs Liddle if you would like more information.

NATIONAL LITERACY TRUST– EASTER HOLIDAY EVENT

‘Stories in the Woods’ at Sandall Beat Woods, Wed 2nd April, 10:30am – 3pm

Over the Easter break, our friends at the National Literacy Trust in Doncaster are organising a Gruffalo-themed event in Sandall Beat Woods. Families will be able to:

- Pick up a FREE copy of The Gruffalo book and our Nature Quest activity booklet
- Take part in our Nature Quest trail
- Learn how to draw the Gruffalo
- Hear The Gruffalo read live
- Take part in Gruffalo-themed games (such as bowling, croquet, ring toss and Dobble!)

More information will be published on their Facebook page (National Literacy Trust in Doncaster Soon!)

ATTENDANCE

A reminder that any pupil that arrives after 9.15am due to running late will automatically receive a U (unauthorised mark) which is a 1 session absence.

When booking routine GP and Dentist appointments for your child, please try to do so outside of school hours. If this is not possible, late morning and late afternoon slots are preferable. An authorised absence must be recorded for children missing registration at 8.45am and 1 pm.

As ever, please adhere to 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.



Well done to Y1 winners of this week’s attendance award with 99.64%



COLLECTION AT THE END OF THE DAY

Please could we ask parents and carers to wait on the playground at the end of the day, and not on the upper paths at the top of the steps. Teaching staff need to wait with classes in this area during collection to ensure that children are safely dismissed. The increasing number of adults and pushchairs is causing a huge amount of congestion and is preventing children from being collected safely. Thank you.

UNIFORM

We have a wide selection of spare uniform items available in school. If you would like any items free of charge, please contact the school office. Any remaining items will be sent to be recycled at the end of the school year.

Whilst most pupils are looking smart with the school uniform, we are getting a number of variations with PE kits. Please note PE kits should be plain navy with a plain white top. Teacher will be issuing reminders next half term.

EASTER ACTIVITY PACK

The latest Children’s activity pack is now available to download free, from the Trans Pennine Trail website in time for the Easter break.

Download it from our Children’s page at: <https://www.transpenninetrail.org.uk/welcome-to-our-childrens-page/>

CAR PARK

A gentle reminder that parents should not park in the staff car park. Thank you

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday this week to Heidi and Noah S. We hope you have a lovely time with your friends and families.

HOUSE POINTS

41 house points have been issued this week. Well done **Green House - Roche**. You can see the house points your child has been awarded on their Arbor account.

BLUE - Fountains	11	RED - Whitby	8
GREEN - Roche	12	YELLOW - Kirkstall	10

HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Well done to these children who have been chosen for having a good sense of humour and for spreading joy and positivity.

★ Harvey & Mollie
★ Jermaine & Zuzanna
★ Georgie & Ashton
★ Isaac & Mhariah

★ Hanna & Sam
★ Joshua & Julia
★ Tilly & Lilly-Mae

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

- Monday 24th March: Y2 Active Fusion Festival of Sport, English Institute of Sport Sheffield.
- Tuesday 25th March: Y3/4 Hockey Tournament
- Wednesday 26th March: Y5/6 Hockey Tournament
- Friday 28th March: School closes for Easter holidays
- Monday 14th April: School re-opens
- Monday 14th – Thursday 17th April: KS2 Holy Week Liturgies in school. Times tbc.
- Friday 18th April: School closed: Good Friday
- Monday 21st April: School closed: Easter Monday
- Friday 25th April – NSPCC KS2 Parent Session – Online Safety 9am
- Monday 5th May: School closed: May Day
- Monday 12th – Thursday 15th May: KS2 SATS week
- Monday 19th – Thursday 22nd May: Y6 Residential to Holy Island
- Thursday 22nd May: School closes for May half term
- Friday 23rd May: Training Day – School Closed to pupils
- Monday 2nd June: School re-opens

SAFEGUARDING

The designated safeguarding leads at St. Peter's are me and Mrs Fitzsimons. Please speak to one of us in confidence if you have any concerns. A confidential e-mail can be sent at any time to safeguarding@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk

If you have any urgent safeguarding concerns out of school hours, these should be directed to the safeguarding team at Doncaster Council, on 01302 737777 or 01302 796000 (evenings and weekends) or online via the following link:

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/doitonline/safeguarding-concern-child-at-risk-report-form>

I hope you all have a lovely, restful weekend, and I look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday for the final week of term.

God Bless,
Mrs Young

EXTREME ROBOTS – 20% DISCOUNT

The Extreme Robots live tour is returning to the Doncaster Dome on 26th and 27th April 2025. Pupils have been offered the chance of a 20% discount. Please use the code EXTREME20 to take up the offer.

EXTREME ROBOTS

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DONCASTER!



2025
LIVE TOUR

THE DOME, DONCASTER

SATURDAY 26TH & SUNDAY 27TH APRIL

EUROPE'S BIGGEST AND BEST ROBOT COMBAT SHOW!



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FREE THE DONS TICKETS

FREE ticket offer for pupils for this Sunday's Doncaster Rugby League game against Widnes Vikings at the Eco-Power Stadium.

On the day there will be a family fan park outside the stadium, with FREE face painting, a DJ, a gaming van and go-karting.



FREE CHILD TICKET

Dear parent/carer

We are delighted to offer your child a **FREE TICKET (13 and under)*** to **Doncaster RLFC v Widnes Vikings** on **Sunday March 23**, 3.00pm kick off.

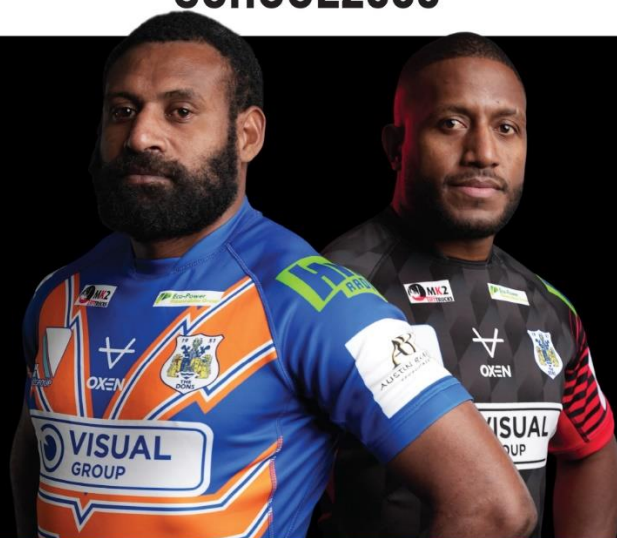
You can also come along for only £15.

All you need to do is visit tickets.clubdoncaster.co.uk select the 'Dons tickets' tab, select 'Doncaster RLFC v Widnes Vikings' and then select the number of tickets and enter the code below at checkout

(the price of the tickets will not change until you enter the code below at checkout).

*Please note all children aged 13 and under must be accompanied by a responsible adult

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You can also call in to the box office in person or call them on 01302 762576