



St. Peter's
Catholic
Primary School

Newsletter 1

5th September 2025

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Dear Parents and carers,

What a wonderful first few days we have had back in school. It was a joy to see all the smiling faces of our children as they returned on Tuesday, and I have enjoyed catching up with parents and carers. Our staff have worked hard over the summer to plan some amazing learning opportunities for our children and to prepare beautiful and welcoming learning environments. We are all very much looking forward to the year ahead. I am delighted to say that the children have settled back into the routines of school brilliantly, and I have had the privilege of going into classes and seeing all the wonderful learning that is already taking place.

We began the new school year with an Assembly, in which we thought about how we can put God first this year and live out our school values. This morning it was wonderful to start the new school year with a beautiful Mass celebrated by Fr. Darren. Remember, all parents and families are welcome into school for the celebration of Mass on special days and feast days.

WELCOME

This week, we have had our new intake of Reception children, who we are delighted to meet. They too have all made a fantastic start, and we know they will have a very happy year ahead. We also welcome several new staff to the school: Mrs Maskey, Miss Cunningham, Mrs Bailey and Mrs Newey. They are all delighted to be joining St. Peter's and are very much looking forward to getting to know our children and families. I know you will make them feel welcome!

SCHOOL X PAGES

We will be sharing our wonderful learning taking place around school this year. Keep an eye on the school website www.stpeterdoncaster.co.uk and class X pages for more information.

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BREAKFAST CLUB

Unfortunately, due to a staff shortage, we have had to reduce the number of places available at breakfast club each morning from 25 to 15 for the time being. Please book in advance to guarantee a space. We apologise for any inconvenience this might cause to our families. We have started the recruitment process for a new member of staff and hope to have the position filled by October half term. Please contact the school office, if you (or anyone you know) might be interested in this opportunity.

AFTER SCHOOL PROVISION

A reminder that our brand new after school wrap around care has started and can be booked via the Arbor app. The club runs from 3.15 – 5.45pm and a snack is provided. Please contact the office with any queries.

SATS MEETING SEPTEMBER Y6 PARENTS

Parents of Year 6 pupils are invited to a SATs meeting in school on Monday 22nd September at 3.30pm. If you are unable to attend, the presentation will be emailed out to all families.

FLU IMMUNISATION

The School Age Immunisation Team will be delivering Flu vaccinations in school on the 25th September 2025. Please click on the link below to read the information about the vaccine and complete the electronic consent form <https://systems.rdash.nhs.uk/eConsent/106760FLU819072>. Please note you need to complete the form even if you wish to decline. Thank you for your support with this.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The first after school club of the year is Year 4 – 6 Tag Rugby. This will take place each Thursday until 23rd October. Please contact the office to book a place for your child. Pupils will need full PE kit and their water bottle. Collection from the hall is at 4.15pm


BIG TALK SESSIONS

On Tuesday 23rd September, each class will be participating in a session with Big Talk Education. To keep children as safe as possible, Relationship Education is now statutory in all Primary Schools. For several years, we have successfully engaged the support of the specialist organisation, BigTalk Education, who are a Social Enterprise recognised by national lead bodies and Government. Further details about the content of the session for each class will be sent out on a separate letter next week which will include a link to an information video for parents.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025 – ST. PETER'S IN CHAINS, DONCASTER

The course of preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, and Holy Communion at St. Peter's will begin in October. It will take place on Sunday mornings in the Parish Hall of St. Peter in Chain's RC Church, Doncaster. The course is open to all children who attend Mass at St Peter's Church and who are in school years 3, 4 and 5. Forms are available from the priest or Deacon after Sunday Mass. The last date for signing in will be Sunday 5th October.

TEAM DONCASTER CONSULATION

What do you really think about where you live? 

City of Doncaster Council wants to know what you think about YOUR neighbourhood - what matters most to you about where you live, what you think could be improved and your ideas and aspirations for the future.

Join the Big Neighbourhoods Conversation and take the 5 minute survey now: <https://www.doncastertalks.com/neighbourhoods>

PARENT NEEDS CHILDCARE SURVEY

Doncaster Council are planning childcare needs across Doncaster to ensure there is enough provision for our families in the future. We are interested in your childcare situation and what your future needs may be. Please complete this survey and help us plan and support the childcare provision in Doncaster.

[Parent Needs Childcare Survey Summer 2025](#)

TRICYCLES AVAILABLE!

We have a number of tricycles available free of charge if any families are interested. These are all in good condition and would suit a toddler. Please speak to the school office if you are interested in having one of these.

FRIENDS OF ST PETERS AGM

The Friends of St Peter's will be holding an AGM online on Thursday 18th September at 8pm. The link will be sent out in September for all those parents wishing to join in. Please contact the office if you would like to attend.

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. In addition, the school car park is for school staff and visitors only. Alternative parking is available at the Vue Cinema/Bowling Alley which is a short walk to and from school along the park path.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday this week to Olivia M, Ava A and Ife. We hope you all have a lovely time with your family and friends. You will receive your birthday stickers at next weeks celebration assembly.

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Year 3 winner of this week's attendance award with 100%!

UNIFORM

Please ensure that your child continues to always wear the correct uniform. There have been some instances of pupils wearing trainers and earrings which is not permitted. If your child needs extra time to allow for ear piercings to heal following the summer break, please ensure you switch to plastic safety earrings. Please be advised that any child wearing earrings will not be able to take part in PE. Make-up and nail varnish are also not permitted. Please contact the office if you have any queries relating to uniform.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Tuesday 9th September: Yorkshire Wildlife Park STEM after school club (5 weeks)
- Thursday 11th September: Y4-6 TAG Rugby after school club (7 weeks)
- Thursday 18th September: Phonics meeting for parents of KS1 pupils 5pm
- Monday 22nd September: SATS meeting for Y6 parents 3.30pm
- Tuesday 23rd September: Big Talk sessions in school
- Tuesday 30th September: NSPCC play for Y5/6 (in school)
- Tuesday 30th September: Y4 Pedestrian Training with Doncaster Council
- Friday 3rd October: School closed St Francis Trust INSET day for all Trust schools
- Monday 6th October: Harvest Mass 9.15am – all welcome
- Wednesday 8th October: Parents afternoon/evening 2pm – 7pm
- Friday 10th October: Year 5 trip to Danelaw Viking Village
- Friday 24th October: Break up for half term

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. A confidential e-mail can be sent at any time to safeguarding@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk

Finally, I share with you the hopes of all of our staff that we will enjoy a wonderful year together working towards the very best outcomes for your children. Thank you all for allowing us to be part of their journey.

Have a lovely weekend everyone, and I look forward to seeing you at school next week.
God Bless

Mrs Young