



St. Peter's  
Catholic  
Primary School

# Newsletter 3

19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

[www.stpeterdoncaster.co.uk](http://www.stpeterdoncaster.co.uk)

Dear Parents and carers,

We have completed our third week of the new school year, and we are gradually all getting more settled into the routines of the new term.

I love going into classes to see the learning that is taking place and talking to the children so that they can share their growing knowledge with me. I am always struck how well the children work with each other; there is so much collaboration, support and teamwork going on!

In Gospel Assembly on Monday morning, our children were asked to consider how they can follow Jesus their words, thoughts and actions this week. For this reason, in Celebration Assembly this afternoon, we recognised those children who show one of our core values of kindness.

## **SCHOOL WEBISTE and X (Twitter)**

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

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@Y1StPeterDon

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@Y5StPeterDon

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## **BREAKFAST CLUB**

A reminder that until further notice, we have had to reduce the number of places available at breakfast club each morning from 25 to 15. I am pleased however to let you know that an advert for the Breakfast Club staff vacancy is now available on the school website [Breakfast Club Assistant Vacancy](#)

## **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 Y6 PARENTS**

A reminder that parents of Year 6 pupils are invited to a SATs meeting in school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 3.30pm with Miss Topliss. If you are unable to attend, the presentation will be made available. Please note this is a meeting for parents only.

## **FLU IMMUNISATION**

The School Age Immunisation Team will be delivering Flu vaccinations in school on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September**. Please click on the link below to 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.**

## **DARK NIGHTS PRESENTATION**

Representatives from Doncaster Council and South Yorkshire Police will be attending school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October to deliver the Dark Nights presentation to Years 5 and 6. This presentation, designed for primary school children, covers how to keep themselves and others safe during the bonfire period.

## BIG TALK SESSIONS

On Tuesday 23rd September, each class will be participating in a session with Big Talk Education. Big Talk have included a link below to their new updated 'Growing up Safe' Year by Year presentations which are available to view on-line prior to their visit. You can access the presentations by inserting the password: **GrowingUpSafe** <https://www.bigtalkeducation.co.uk/year-by-year-2/>

## Y6 OPEN EVENINGS / SECONDARY APPLICATIONS

Parents of Y6 pupils are now able to apply for secondary school. The closing date for applications is **31<sup>st</sup> October 2025**, and it is important to apply on time as several schools will be full next September. Further details and a link to the online application form can be found via the following link: <https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/secondary-year-of-entry>

This site contains full information about the application process and a schedule of all the open evening dates for every Doncaster secondary school.

Some dates for our local schools are as follows – please see the individual school websites for further information

- The McAuley Catholic High School: Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> September 5pm – 8pm (presentations at 6pm - 7pm)
- Hall Cross Academy: Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 4pm – 6pm
- Outwood Academy Danum: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September
- XP/XP East: Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September 4pm – 6pm (parents need to sign up in advance)
- The Hayfield School: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September 6pm (out of catchment school slot)

## RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2026

The application process for a place in Reception class will open shortly and runs until January 2026. Please make any families that you might know locally about our wonderful school.

We are holding open visits to the school on the following dates:

- Wednesday 15th October 1.15 – 2.15pm
- Tuesday 21st October 5.30 – 6.30pm
- Thursday 23rd October 10am – 11am

## 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 Catholic children who attend Mass at St. Peter's and 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.

## UNIFORM

A polite reminder please, especially to our new parents that for safety reasons, no jewellery is allowed in school. Children will be asked to remove earrings, bracelets etc. unless it is a **statutory** part of their religion or you have signed a disclaimer. Please be advised that footwear should be plain black with no bright markings. Make-up and nail varnish are also not permitted. Please contact the office if you have any queries relating to uniform.

## ONLINE SURVEY - THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

An e-mail has been issued earlier today with a link to an online survey for parents. Please take the time to complete this. Your responses are an important part of our ongoing self-evaluation and will help us to continue to provide an outstanding Catholic education for our pupils.

<https://forms.gle/HeLufVocwdctRUKTA>

## 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 Molly, Ashton, Mrs Thickett and Mrs Bailey. We hope you all have a lovely time with your family and friends.

## ATTENDANCE

Well done to Year 3 who are the winners of this week's attendance award with 98.15%!

## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to these children who have been recognised for demonstrating one of our core values of kindness. Remember, all parents and carers are welcome to attend our end of week celebration every Friday afternoon at 2.45pm.

★ Daniel & Kacey	★ Willow & Arthur O'K
★ Maya & Sarah	★ Gracie & Jack
★ Jack & Hazel	★ Olisa & Georgia
★ Ava & Isaac	

## HOUSE POINTS

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

**Well done to Red House (Whitby)**

BLUE - Fountains	16	RED - Whitby	26
GREEN - Roche	20	YELLOW - Kirkstall	21

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September: SATS meeting for Y6 parents 3.30pm
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September: Big Talk sessions in school
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September: Flu Immunisation in school
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September: NSPCC play for Y5/6 (in school)
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September: Y4 Pedestrian Training with Doncaster Council
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October: School closed St Francis Trust INSET day for all Trust schools
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October: Harvest Mass 9.15am – all welcome
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October: Dark Nights presentation Year 5 & 6
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October: Parents afternoon/evening 2pm – 7pm
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October: Year 5 trip to Danelaw Viking Village
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:safeguarding@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk)

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

Mrs Young