



St. Peter's
Catholic
Primary School

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Dear Parents and carers,

It has certainly been another busy week as the Autumn term continues at a rapid pace.

Year 4 enjoyed a trip to Doncaster Museum on Wednesday to take part in two workshops on The Romans – 'Let's Dig up The Romans' and 'The Romans in Doncaster'. Staff at the museum commented on the children's impeccable behaviour. Everyone enjoyed the day especially handling all the artefacts on show.

On Thursday Year 3 enjoyed a 'Real History Alive' workshop in school, where they watched a show and took part in Stone Age workshops. They discovered what life was like for Stone Age people, the skills they developed, and the mistakes they sometimes made as they learned how to survive. Pupils explored the different tools they used, what they were made from, and the types of animal skins they wore and how these helped them in everyday life. As well as creating some fabulous stone age cave drawings too!!

Today a group of Year 5 and 6 pupils represented the school at the EFL Kids Cup at the Eco-Power Stadium. The team did fantastically well did not lose a single game in their first 5 matches in the group stage but after a heavy downpour (and even hailstones!) the team eventually went out in the quarter finals. Thanks to Mr Ward and Mr Emery for accompanying and supporting them at this event.



Sunday marks the start of Advent, a very special season in the Church's year. Each class has been busy making an Advent wreath for their classroom, and these will be blessed by Fr. Darren from St. Peter's Church in a special service at 10.45am on Monday morning in school. Parents and carers are very welcome to attend this.

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.

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ORDERING SCHOOL MEALS

Please remember to order your child's meals using the Arbor app **1 week in advance**. This means all meals for next week (w/c 24th Nov) should already have been selected. Can all pupils having a packed lunch from home please tick this option.

Christmas dinner takes place on Wednesday 17th December. If your child would like a Christmas dinner, please select the Roast Chicken option. They will receive a full Christmas dinner (we are unable to change the menu name on Arbor). There will be a vegetarian Christmas dinner available also (please select vegetarian wellington).

RAINBOW RAFFLE

Don't forget to buy your tickets to be in with a chance of winning one of the 7 rainbow raffle hampers! The Friends of St Peter's are selling tickets most afternoons after school in the picnic area outside Year 4. £1 a strip or 6 strips for £5.

NATIVITY TICKETS

EYFS and KS1 pupils will be performing their nativity 'A King is Born' on Wednesday 10th December at 9.45 and Thursday 11th December at 1.45pm. A maximum of 4 tickets is available per family. Please return your slips to the office as soon as possible.

RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2026

The application process for a place in Reception class is now open and runs until January 2026.

<https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/primary-year-of-entry>

Please tell any families that you might know locally about our wonderful school!

MISSION CHRISTMAS

Some of you may be aware of the charity 'Cash for Kids' and the 'Mission Christmas' they do every year. It involves Christmas presents being donated for children aged 0-16. Mrs Hamilton is organising this for school. If you are able to donate a present please wrap it and label it with the age and gender it is appropriate for. Mrs Hamilton will deliver them to a local B&M for them to be given to under privileged children in the South Yorkshire region.

MCAULEY SCHOOL ADVENT SERVICE

You are warmly invited to join the staff and pupils of McAuley School for their annual Advent Service which will take place on Monday 15th December at 7pm at St Peter In Chains. The evening provides an opportunity for quiet reflection on the true meaning of Christmas.

UNIFORM

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, chains or embellishments. Make-up and nail varnish are also not permitted.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday this week to Vinny, Jakub, Sienna, Mia H, Hazel, Julia P and Patrick. We hope you all have a lovely time with your family and friends.

HEADTEACHER AWARD

Well done to our certificate winners who have been recognised this week for their work in science.

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|  Ben & Sriansh |  Arthur B & Kinga |
|  Ethan & Grace |  Thea & Ezra |
|  Noah & William |  Joshua & Suzy |
|  Phoebe & Eva | |

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Reception who are the winners of this week's attendance award with 98.15%.

HOUSE POINTS

142points 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	33	RED - Whitby	38
GREEN - Roche	35	YELLOW - Kirkstall	36

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Monday 1st December: Advent Wreath blessing 10.45am. Families welcome.
- Tuesday 2nd December: Y3/4 Football competition at Hatchell Wood School
- Tuesday 9th December: Reception visit to CAST Theatre
- Wednesday 10th December: Reception/KS1 Nativity 9.30am
- Wednesday 10th December: Rocksteady Concert 2pm
- Thursday 11th December: Reception/KS1 Nativity 1.45pm
- Tuesday 16th December: St Francis CMAT Carol Service at St. Peter's Church 1.30pm for KS2 pupils (details to follow)
- Wednesday 17th December: Christmas lunch followed by Christmas movie afternoon
- Thursday 18th December: End of term Celebration Assembly 9am
- Thursday 18th December: Class Christmas parties and visit from Santa
- Friday 19th December: End of term Christmas Carol service and readings 9.15am
- Friday 19th December: School closes for Christmas Holiday 1.30pm
- Monday 5th January 2026: School closed for INSET day
- Tuesday 6th January 2026: School open to pupils

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

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and I look forward to seeing your smiles at the gate on Monday morning.

God Bless,
Mrs Young