



St. Peter's
Catholic
Primary School

Newsletter 39

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Dear Parents and carers,

Once again, it has been another busy week in school, with so much going on. This is the final newsletter of the school year, so I will try to cover everything!

YEAR 6

At the end of last week, our Year 6 pupils were presented with a leaving gift from the school. This included a Leavers' book and they have been having great fun this week receiving special messages from their friends and staff in school.

On Tuesday after school, they all had fun at their Leavers Disco. It was a joyous couple of hours, with lots of happy memories made.

On Wednesday morning, we held a beautiful Leavers' Mass in school. Thank you to Fr Darren who celebrated the Mass, and for parents and family members who came along.

On Wednesday afternoon, Year 6 enjoyed a small party with their Reception buddies. It was a lovely way for them to end their time together. The Year 6 children have been such wonderful role models for the youngest children in school.

On Thursday morning, Year 6 delivered their Year 6 Leavers Assembly, which was a poignant service and moving celebration of their time at St. Peter's. In the afternoon, they enjoyed a final treat together – a trip to the nearby bowling alley for more fun times together.

Today, we sadly say goodbye to our amazing Year 6 children. This class are a fabulous cohort, and over the years, they have grown and flourished into wonderful young people. They joined Reception in September 2019, and have had an incredible journey through primary school. They are fine ambassadors for our school and we are enormously proud of them all.

We wish them all well as they embark on the next stage of their education at secondary school and hope that they will always look back on their time here with fondness and happy memories. We hope that they will embrace all the exciting opportunities that life brings, so that they fulfil their true potential. Thank you Year 6 – our love and best wishes to you all.

MISS HUGHES

This week, we sadly say goodbye to Miss Hughes, who has worked at St. Peter's as a Teaching Assistant for over thirty years. Miss Hughes has given so much to our school over the years — her dedication and care have left an indelible mark on every pupil, parent, and member of staff fortunate enough to work alongside her, and so many children have benefitted from her care, support and guidance.

We are all enormously grateful to her for the service she has shown to our community, and we are all extremely sad to see such a valued and committed member of staff leave. She will be greatly missed, but she will always be part of the St. Peter's family. May she carry with them the knowledge that she has made a lasting difference here, and may her next chapter be filled with happiness and special moments with her family. Thank you Miss Hughes.

ST FRANCIS CMAT 'MAKE A DIFFERENCE' DAY

On Tuesday, Mrs Fisher and I took a group of Year 4 and 5 pupils to St. Bernard's Catholic High School in Rotherham for an event with our Trust schools. The focus was on making a difference and working together for the common good. We took along donations for a local foodbank and baby basics charity which supports new mothers and families in need. The children enjoyed a range of activities including dance, games, singing, drumming and art – including a beautiful flower garland which has been donated to a local hospice. The event culminated in a beautiful Mass – with some incredible singing from our children. It was a truly wonderful event and a blessing and privilege to be part of. Our children were amazing, and as always were wonderful role models in terms of their conduct and attitude.

FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S

I would like to say a BIG thank you to our lovely PTA, The Friends of St Peter's. They have worked tirelessly all year arranging fun ways to raise money for school. They have done an amazing job and we would be lost without them. Special thanks to Mrs Coulson for coordinating all the activities with such dedication. A reminder, The Friends of St Peter's are holding their Annual General Meeting at 3pm on Monday 14th September at 3pm in the school hall. All parents and carers are welcome to attend

SPONSORED WALK

Thank you to all our parents who supported the sponsored walk. An amazing £1148.20 was raised for school funds.

GOLD SCHOOL GAMES MARK AWARD

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success by receiving a GOLD award. We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport. As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been recognised.

NHS FLU IMMUNISATION TEAM MESSAGE

MAVIS (Managing Vaccinations in School) will send automated text messages and emails directly to the person with parental responsibility. These will be done at set intervals before the immunisation day takes place in school in October 2026. Parents will start to receive these messages towards the end of the summer holidays. We would be grateful if you can communicate this with your parents, so they know this is a genuine message and ask parents to complete the online consent form indicating whether they **DO** or **DO NOT** want their child to have the flu vaccine. We **cannot** accept emails as consent or no consent for the child to receive or decline their flu vaccine, so parents must complete the consent form either way. If they do not complete the consent, reminders will be sent by the system.

VACANCIES

We are currently advertising two positions in school

- Teaching Assistant
- Attendance and Pastoral Officer

Full details of the two positions, and a recruitment pack are on the vacancies page of the Trust and school websites <https://www.stpeterdoncaster.co.uk/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=19>

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

SCHOOL WEBSITE and X (Twitter)

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.

www.stpeterdoncaster.co.uk @stpetersdon @RecStPeterDon @Y1StPeterDon @Y2StPeterDon @Y3StPeterDon @Y4StPeterDon @Y5StPeterDon @Y6StPeterDon

DONCASTER ROVERS SPORTS CAMPS

We are delighted to share with you that Doncaster Rovers will be offering children in receipt of free school meals the opportunity to attend a summer of sports camps totally free of charge!

Venue: Doncaster Rovers Stadium (DN4 5JW)

Dates: Tue/Wed throughout summer

Times: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Ages: 5-11 Year Olds

These camps are multi-sports, meaning theres plenty for the children to get involved in. All children will also have their lunch provided each day along with plenty of snacks and water. If you would like to learn more or book a space, please follow the link below

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfcsZBMtg5kOcz6RfHDSIMGdt7cQCK1EQ-xj65xkqM27t-CLA/viewform?usp=header>

ATTENDANCE

Well done Year 3 who are this year's attendance winners with a brilliant 98%!

The following children achieved 100% attendance for the year and were entered into a raffle prize, which Phoebe won! Alisa M, Victoria, Eliza, Ife, Molly, Elizabeth, Sofia, Erin, Hanna, Ashton, Kene, Alex R, Suzy, Oliver, Adi, Fin & Phoebe.

Please adhere to the NHS guidance <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> if you are unsure if your child is well enough to attend school. All appointments taken in school time need to be evidenced. We appreciate your ongoing support with this.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday this week and over the holidays to Forrest, Eva, Albie, Abiha, Jakub, Rocco, Travis, Eliza-Maria, Adi, Haadiya, Haasan, Louis. Arabella, Jaiveer, Aaliyah, Amalia, Jackson, Julia S, Klaudia, Eryk, Alex G, Sasha, Lakhan, Phoebe, Julius, Eliza, Mrs Butler and Mrs Maskey. We hope you have a lovely time with your family and friends.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Well done to these children who selected as the end of term superstars:

★ George & Nicole
★ Mia Bas & Reni
★ Olivia & Adyn
★ Ava & Fin

★ Richie & Lily
★ Sasha & Ife
★ Mia C & Nathan

HOUSE POINTS

3583 house points have been issued this year which is a fantastic achievement. Well done to **Red House Whitby**

BLUE - Fountains	956	RED - Whitby	1105
GREEN - Roche	769	YELLOW - Kirkstall	753

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Monday 31st August: Bank Holiday Monday – School closed to pupils
- Tuesday 1st September: INSET DAY: School closed to pupils
- Wednesday 2nd September: School reopens to all staff and pupils: 8.40am
- Friday 4th September: Mass to mark the beginning of the new school year 9am

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 are worried about a child during the school holidays and wish to speak to someone, you can contact Doncaster Council's Safeguarding Team on 01302 737777. In the evenings or at weekends call 01302 796000.

A FINAL THANK YOU

The end of the school year provides an opportunity for us to reflect on the past. It is a privilege to continue to serve this amazing school as head teacher, and I want to thank you all for your ongoing support. My thanks also to our wonderful staff team, who constantly go above and beyond, working tirelessly to meet the needs of all our children.

We would like to thank you for all your end of year cards, gifts and good wishes. Your generosity and kindness is always greatly appreciated.

I wish you a wonderful summer, and we look forward to seeing all our families in September.

God Bless,

Mrs Young