NEWSLETTER

Let your light shine before others, so they see your good works and give glory to God

Matthew 5 v.16

Rooted in Christian faith, which underpins the school's ethos, we seek to enable all pupils to develop their full academic potential; discover skills and talents in art, music, sport and drama; and grow in spiritual awareness and moral character. By striving for excellence within an inclusive environment, enabling every child to develop their gifts and flourish, we seek to shine as a community, so our achievements give glory to God.

13th June 2025

The final half term of the academic year has already started with gusto, which very much sets the tone for the next five weeks, with so many events and activities planned to enrich your child's education. Please ensure that you have made a note of some of our key end of term events, as you really won't want to miss them. For the full list of events, please refer to our school website: https://www.stpetersce.lbhf.sch.uk/Diary

- **Health and Wellbeing Week – week commencing 16th June.** Throughout the week the children will be engaged in a range of activities and workshops aimed at supporting their mental and physical wellbeing. **Please note that the children are allowed to come into school wearing their school PE kits all week.**
- SEND coffee morning for parent and carers **Monday 16th June at 9am.**
- **New Reception Parents Meeting – Tuesday 17th June (6pm)**
- **St Peter's Summer Fair** - **Saturday 21st June (12pm until 4pm)** in St Peter's Square. This event is designed to bring our community together whilst also raising much needed funds for our school. We hope that as many of you as possible are able to come along to support this event.
- Every morning at **9am**, from **Monday 23rd June until Friday 27th June**, we will be holding special music assemblies to which you are all invited. The assemblies are an opportunity for the children who are learning to play a musical instrument to perform to an audience. Each morning will focus upon a different instrument/set of instruments; one performer from each assembly will be chosen by the music teachers to go through to our final, which will be held at the end of the week.
- **Open afternoon** – **Tuesday 24th June (3.30pm – 5pm)** – an opportunity to visit the classrooms and view the work on display. Class teachers will be in their classrooms for you to chat to too. We hope that as many of you as possible are able to join us.
- Class and individual photographs are scheduled to be taken on **Wednesday 25th June**.
- Reading workshop/coffee morning for parent and carers **Monday 30th June at 9am.**
- **2nd July** a meeting will be held for the **parents and carers of our current Year 5 pupils**, to discuss secondary transition and the roles and responsibilities associated with being in Year 6.
- **3rd July** a meeting will be held for the **parents and carers of our current Reception class pupils**, to discuss transition into Year 1.
- Our whole school summer production will be performed on **9th** and **10th July**. There will be two performances on each day: **10am** and **6pm**. Tickets will be available to purchase via ParentMail from **Monday 30th June at 12pm (11am for parents/carers of children in Year 6)**.
- This year's leavers BBQ, which is held **for the Year 6 pupils and their families**, will be on **Thursday 17th July** at **5pm**.
- The final event of the academic year - please join us at our Leavers Service, which will be held in St Peter's Church on **Friday 18th July** at **9am**. All welcome, it promises to be emotional!

Grandparents Day

On Monday afternoon we were thrilled to welcome over 120 grandparents and elderly friends and relatives into school for what is one of my favourite events of the academic year. Grandparents Day is an opportunity for us as a school to express just how cherished our grandparents and elderly friends and relatives are by our children, and to thank them for the vital role they play in their lives and ours.

As always the afternoon began with a collective worship session; the children sang a selection of our favourite songs and shared work they had produced about their grandparents, and the grandparents they themselves would like to be when they are older – lots of talk about napping and spoiling their grandchildren with a wealth of treats! Our visitors were then taken on a tour of the school by their grandchildren, before returning to the hall for a delicious afternoon tea. The Ritz has nothing on the afternoon tea we provide here at St Peter's (please check out our Instagram page **@stpetersschoolw6** to see a selection of photographs taken during the event). Special thanks to Rewa, Phillippa and the team of parents who helped to create the wonderful afternoon tea we were able to provide. Huge thanks also to Vanessa and her band who performed at the event, it really was a very special afternoon for so many people.

Food Tasting Session

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend last week's food tasting session. The parents sampled the lunchtime offer for that day: roast chicken, vegetarian pie, potatoes, a range of salads and fruits and fruit infused water. Empty plates all round, as our new catering team got the thumbs up from everyone here at St Peter's.

The London mayor is currently providing funding to allow all primary school children in London to receive a free school lunch. Whilst we are hugely supportive of this measure, we need to highlight to parents the fact that the funding given to schools does not fully cover the cost of each meal, when taking into account staffing costs, rising ingredient costs etc. We currently operate a system which allows those parents who want to contribute towards the cost of school meals an outlet to do so. A suggested donation is £1.00 per day/£5.00 per week (which would equate to £35.00 this half term). We are hugely grateful for the donations we have received to date, as these help to offset the additional costs we incur, allowing us to allocate funds to other projects within the school.

If you would like to give a weekly/half termly donation or make a one-off payment towards the school meals costs, please see the payment item in ParentMail - Payments - Shop. Thank you in advance for your support, it is hugely appreciated.

Headteacher for the day

Last Friday I was able to sit back and relax, as Leonora took over the school reins for the day. Leonora was one of three children whose parents successfully bid for this opportunity at the last school auction. Throughout the day, Leonora was given an insight into the glamourous world of a headteacher, performing a wide range of duties, each of which she carried out to a very high standard. It was a true delight to spend the day with Leonora, hopefully it is an experience which she will cherish for many years to come

Sports Day

Last half term ended on a real high, as the entire school joined together in Ravenscourt Park to participate in our annual Sports Day event. The weather was perfect, music played, and parents, carers and other family members proved to be incredible cheerleaders. The children were busy all day enjoying a range of competitive and non-competitive events, which saw them working collaboratively within their house teams, with the older children supporting their younger team mates. It was a very happy day and a lovely way for the half term to draw to a close. Congratulations

to team Rock, this year's winners, who scored over 1,000 points throughout the day. Special thanks to Miss Milligan, PSD and to all of the staff for their help and support – what a wonderful team effort!

Young Enterprise

Last Friday our Year 6 pupils proved themselves to be budding entrepreneurs, as they did an incredible job of organising and leading the rest of the school in our annual St Peter's Young Enterprise Event. After being given £3 each - returnable at the end of the event - the children went away and planned a wide range of games, stalls and experiences for the other children in the school to enjoy. Throughout the afternoon there was slime, lucky dips, popcorn, guess the number of sweets in the jar, photo quizzes, balance a coin on a lemon game and much, much more; we were so impressed by the creativity on display. The event was lots of fun for everyone involved and a great learning experience for the Year 6 children. The money raised from the event will fund the Year 6 visit to Guildford Spectrum which will take place in July.

Barnes Literary Festival

On Thursday 5th June, the entire school attended an event at the Lyric Theatre in honour of the Barnes Literary Festival. The experience provided the children with the opportunity to participate in two live events led by acclaimed authors and illustrators.

Children in **Reception, Year 1, and Year 2** enjoyed a lively and interactive session with **Rob Biddulph**, the multi-award-winning author and illustrator known for beloved titles such as *Blown Away* and *Dog Gone*. His workshop, *Draw with Rob*, was a fun-filled experience which inspired creativity and imagination. Following on from this, pupils in **Key Stage 2** participated in an engaging poetry and rap workshop led by **Alex Wharton**, the Welsh Children's Laureate and a renowned performance poet. During this session, Alex shared his expert tips and techniques, encouraging the children to explore rhythm, language, and humour in their own writing.

Attending the literary festival was a wonderful way to inspire the children, sparking their imagination and deepening their love for reading and storytelling. Through meeting authors, participating in workshops and engaging with a variety of books and performances, the children discovered new ways to express themselves creatively. The children were also encouraged to explore their own writing, ask thoughtful questions and view literature as an exciting, living part of their world. A wonderful experience was had by all.

Poetry Recital

Yesterday we began the day with our final poetry recital of the year. As this event coincided with our Celebrate the Community Day, the theme of our community was chosen. The children all learnt poems based upon community, celebrating our cultures and heritage.

As a special extra element to this event, the children performed the poems in a variety of languages. Reception performed '**Who am I?' by Michael Rosen**. Year 1 included counting in Spanish as part of their performance of '**Now I am Six' by A.A. Milne**. Year 2 spoke beautifully in French and English to perform '**When the Colours Spoke' by Grace Nichols**. The children in Year 3 used 16 different languages in their performance of **John Berry's 'Isn't my name magical?'.** Year 4 performed a poem written to celebrate the diversity of the premier league called **'Beautifully different, wonderfully the same' by Joseph Coelho**. The children in Year 5 explored the theme of community in their poem **'People always need people' by Benjamin Zephaniah** and Year 6 included costumes and props in their hilarious retelling of **'The Dentist and the Crocodile' by Roald Dahl**, which also included around 15 different languages. Well done to all of the children for a brilliant recital, they delivered their performances with such confidence, it was a joy to witness. Special thanks to Mrs Noonan for organising this event, to the staff for their hard work working with the children, and to everyone who came along to support this event, a wonderful start to a very special day.

Celebrate our Community Day

On Thursday 12th June, we held our second Celebrate Our Community Day of the year. Children shared poems, exploring themes of belonging and the importance of community. Year 6 children proudly presented personal projects about their culture and heritage to different year groups, sparking meaningful conversations across the school. In classrooms, children reflected on what community means to them and who plays a part in it. To end the day, they designed their dream communities, including features like libraries, gardens, animals and more. It was a wonderful celebration of identity, diversity and togetherness.

Bedford Park Festival

As part of the Bedford Park Festival, our children took part in a truly memorable musical workshop led by the incredibly talented young violinist, Poppy McGhee. Poppy captivated the pupils with her energy, skill, and passion for music. The children were thrilled to join in the performance using body percussion, creating rhythms and beats that complemented Poppy's beautiful playing. It was a fun, interactive experience that deepened their appreciation of the violin and the joy of live music. A huge thank you to the Bedford Park Festival for organising this inspiring event!

Opera in the park

On Tuesday 10th June, Year 4 attended the Schools Matinee performance of 'Itch' at Opera Holland Park. Before the show started, the conductor of the orchestra talked through the different instruments with the children, helping them to understand the music they were about to hear. The opera told the exciting story of a boy who discovers a powerful new element and must protect it from those who want to misuse it. The children thoroughly enjoyed the performance.

Dads and Significant Lads Breakfast

In recognition of Father's Day which will be celebrated by many this coming Sunday, today Chloe and her team cooked up a very tasty full English breakfast, as our way of saying 'thank you' to all of the dads and significant male influences in the lives of our children. We were delighted to see so many of you in attendance, it was a lovely way to begin the day. Special thanks to Chloe and her team for their hard work in helping to make this breakfast possible.

Spirituality

During our Collective Worship sessions, we regularly pause to reflect upon the awe and wonder of the world around us. We often talk about those special 'Wow' moments that inspire and uplift us, but we also acknowledge the 'Ow' moments - times when we witness things that cause sadness or concern, such as litter in our parks or the destruction of natural resources.

These reflections are not only thoughtful, but deeply meaningful, and the contributions from children, staff and parents are carefully recorded in a special book kept in the main school. This week, some of the comments shared included:

'I saw a rainbow when walking in the garden' Juniper (Y1)

'*I was walking up a hill and saw a lovely animal in Greece*' William (Y2)

'*I could see parts of Africa from the top of a mountain in Spain*' Tom ()

Warm weather

As the weather is beginning to get warmer, please ensure that your child brings a sun hat to school, a full water bottle and arrives wearing sunscreen. Thank you for your continued support.

Uniform

The children are now allowed to wear their summer uniform. Please refer to our website for our full uniform list https://www.stpetersce.lbhf.sch.uk/Parents/School-Uniform

A few quick reminders: PE shorts should be plain navy (no motifs please); school shoes should be enclosed and black in colour. Black training shoes and ankle/Doc Martin style boots are not part of our school uniform and therefore should not be worn. Finally, all hair accessories should be discreet and navy blue in colour. Thank you for your continued support.

Punctuality

The punctuality of all of the children is closely monitored. It is our hope that children arrive at school on time every day, although we appreciate that sometimes circumstances beyond your control prevent this from happening. Therefore, we allow up to 5 lates in an academic year before any action is taken. Unfortunately, a number of families have already breached this threshold last term.

Good punctuality is extremely important to your child's education. In addition to the fact that arriving at school late can be very distressing for your child, first thing in the morning is often a time when we run intervention support or pre-teach concepts to those children who require some additional support with particular areas of the curriculum. Those children arriving late at school routinely miss this additional provision. Please can I ask that you all make a concerted effort to get your children to school on time. **Breakfast Club support is available from 8am every day – this provision is offered free to those in receipt of Pupil Premium funding.**

Please remember that the school gates will be opened at 8.45am for children to go straight into their classrooms in readiness for the beginning of the school day: **8.55am** for children in **Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5** and **6** and **9am** for children in **Reception**.

Please also ensure that your child is collected promptly at the end of the school day: **3.20pm** for children in **Reception**; **3.25pm** for children in **Year 1** and **Year 2** and **3.30pm** for children in **Year 3, Year 4, Year 5** and **Year 6**. Thank you for your help with this matter.

Attendance

Monitoring attendance is part of our statutory duty, we are committed to working with you all to ensure that the children are attending school on a regular basis. We recognise that children do become unwell, however if there are any underlying medical conditions we need to be made aware of, or any issues we can help with which are preventing your child from attending school, please speak to us immediately. Thank you.

A copy of the term dates for this academic year and next have been sent out to all parents and carers, these dates are also available to view on the school website. Please make a note of these dates and avoid booking events and holidays which mean that children are required to take time out of school. **Please note that we are unable to authorise any holidays taken during term time.**

Please see below our attendance percentages for the last two weeks:

	Week commencing 19th May	Week commencing 2nd June
Reception	**99.3%**	**99.2%**
Year 1	**95.7%**	**98.8%**
Year 2	**98.3%**	**93.8%**
Year 3	**99.3%**	**95.4%**
Year 4	**96.3%**	**97.5%**
Year 5	**93.8%**	**95.7%**
Year 6	**99.0%**	**97.5%**

House Points

Class earning the most house points to 13th June: **Year 4**

	House points 06/06/25	House points 13/06/25	Total
Cross	**227**	**711**	**2159**
Fisher	**334**	**703**	**2540**
Rock	**364**	**792**	**2378**
Keys	**296**	**765**	**2397**

Headteacher's Award

	6th June	13th June
Reception	**Sophie & Edmund**	**Lola & Hollis**
Year 1	**Peto & Clemmie**	**Mia & Florence**
Year 2	**Eliza & Ernest**	**William & Cosima**
Year 3	**Lukas & Sandy**	**Alex Yu & Alfred**
Year 4	**Isaiah & Evie**	**Poppy & Surafel**
Year 5	**Max & Charlotte**	**Josiah & Alfie**
Year 6	**swimming**	**Alexandru & Isaac**

Values Award

Children can be nominated for a Values Award by other pupils, parents and staff members. When making a nomination, we ask you to state the value/s the child has shown (***courage***, ***respect***, ***thankfulness, perseverance***, ***service*** or ***kindness)*** and how they have demonstrated this value.

6th June – Sienna (Y1), Mimi & Rosa F (Y2), Isaac (Y5)
13th June – Felix & Lukas (Y3), Bart, Rebecca & Chloe (Y5), Susannah & Georgie (Y6)

No nuts please!

Just a quick reminder that we are a nut-free school. Please double-check the ingredients before sending any snacks into school - particularly cereal bars - as sometimes they can contain hidden nuts which can be dangerous for other children. Thank you.

Medicines in School

If your child is required to take medicine during the school day, please ensure that it is handed in, in its original packaging via the school office; we need parental permission in order to administer any medication. For health and safety reasons, children are not allowed to keep any medication in their bags. Our Medical Lead is Mrs Noonan; should your child have any serious medical issues that you need to share with us, please contact her via communications@stpetersce.lbhf.sch.uk

Website

Please remember to log on to our website to view your child's class page: https://www.stpetersce.lbhf.sch.uk/ This will give you information about what your child will be learning this coming half term.

Instagram

Please follow us **@stpetersschoolw6** and remember to like our posts!

Finally

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to speak, in the first instance, to your child's class teacher. We are always here to help, and believe greatly in the importance of good communication between home and school.

Warmest regards,

Miss Frazer

Dates	Time	Description
WC 16/06/25		Health and Well-being Week
17/06/25	6pm	New Reception Parents Meeting
19/06/25		Reception/Year 6 Buddy Trip
WC 23/06/25		Music Assemblies Week
24/06/25	3.30 – 5.30pm	Open Afternoon
27/06/25		Celebration of St Peter's Day
01/07/25		The Jack Hollis Day
02/07/25		Class Swap
02/07/25		Transition into Year 1 Parents Meeting
03/07/25		Transition into Year 6 Parents Meeting
04/07/25		Picnic for new Reception children and parents
09/07/25	10am	Whole school summer production
09/07/25	6pm	Whole school summer production
10/07/25	10am	Whole school summer production
10/07/25	6pm	Whole school summer production
11/07/25		Whole school picnic
WC 14/07/25		Interschool competition (Athletics)
14/07/25		Year 6 end of year class trip
15/07/25		Winning House Treat
17/07/25		Key Stage Two Summer Quiz
17/07/25		Reception & Key Stage One Summer Play date
17/07/25	5pm	Year 6 Leaver's Party
18/07/25	9am	Year 6 Leaver's Service
18/07/25	2pm	**End of term**