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.

18th December 2025

Tomorrow sees the end of the first term of the academic year. Maybe it is because I am getting old, but every term seems to pass by more quickly than the last. It really doesn't seem long ago that we were welcoming everyone back to school after the long summer break but, in reality, fifteen very busy weeks have been completed and we are almost ready to break for Christmas and welcome in a new year 2026.

As the term draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank our wonderful staff team for their hard work; all of the things that we do as a school are only possible because we have such a dedicated team who are fully committed to providing the very best for our pupils. I would also like to thank our amazing children - they are the reason we come to work each day - for embracing the challenges and opportunities presented to them, and for working hard throughout this very long term. Thank you also to the parents and carers for your ongoing support; the importance of positive working relationships between home and school should never be underestimated. Finally, I would like to thank the Governors, who give of their time freely and willingly to support St Peter's.

If I don't get the opportunity to speak to you personally before tomorrow, please take my very best wishes for a very merry Christmas and happy and healthy 2026.

Please note that term ends tomorrow, Friday 19th December at 2pm. Term resumes for the children on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

Christmas at St Peter's

Thank you to our wonderful PTA team and parent helpers for putting together such a fantastic Christmas fair this year. The day was filled with joy, laughter and lots of Christmas cheer. Following on from the fair, members of our parent body organised and hosted our second St Peter's Family Disco event, which was enjoyed by many and proved a great success.

I have just been informed that all of our Christmas events and activities including the fair, raffle, trees, disco, cards and donations have raised an incredible **£9,973**, every penny of which will come back into school to enhance your children's education. Thank you again to our PTA team and all of the parents who have come forward to help organise events this term, your support is greatly appreciated. Special thanks also to Lucinda Pride who continues to do a fantastic job of capturing all of our special moments and events on our school Instagram account. If you don't already, please follow us on @stpetersschoolw6 and like our posts.

Last Thursday, dressed in our Christmas jumpers, the children and staff enjoyed a delicious Christmas lunch prepared by our wonderful Chef Chloe and her team. Christmas songs were played, crackers were pulled, vegetables were pushed around their plates(!) and a festive time was had by all.

On Tuesday and Wednesday morning, the children from Reception and Key Stage One did a truly incredible job of retelling the Christmas story through our Nativity play 'Knock! Knock!'. In true St Peter's style, all of our plays always have a very special twist and this year was no different. In addition to an array of very stylish doors, a host of magnificent angels and some very cheeky sheep, we managed to incorporate the Justin Timberlake classic 'Can't Stop the Feeling', Pharrell Williams' 'Happy' and a tune from the film Zootopia 2, currently showing in cinemas - we are very on trend - which accompanied our Reception children as they showed off their very impressive dance moves!

Despite being the youngest three classes in the school, the children sang, danced and delivered their lines with such confidence and enthusiasm, it was as though they have been performing for years. They made us all very, very proud. We arranged for Marcin to film our Nativity this year, so that you can watch it again and again and again for many years to come!

Our first Nativity show was followed by a very special Candlelight Service led by the Key Stage Two children. As always, our children were incredible; their singing was phenomenal, and the children who delivered lines did so loudly, clearly and with such confidence, it was a joy to witness. I need to give a special mention to Amie and Ava who performed solos this year, both of which were incredible. In addition to this, it was wonderful to see a glockenspiel performance from our Year 5 children – very impressive indeed! After our service, I think everyone left the church feeling a little more Christmassy. Special thanks to John Burnett-Hall who kindly agreed to play the piano for this event. Thanks also to Mrs Noonan and our Key Stage Two staff for their hard work in preparing the children for this event. Thank you also to Rev Charles for hosting the event in St Peter's Church for us again this year.

This morning, the children in Key Stage Two enjoyed participating in a special Christmas quiz, whilst this afternoon our Reception and Key Stage One children will enjoy a Christmas party (both with snacks) to celebrate Christmas and the end of term. It is such a wonderful time of the year!

Tomorrow, we will head to St Peter's Church to participate in our end of term service. Please join us in the church and then afterwards in the school hall for a cup of tea and a mince pie.

Staffing Update

This week we say 'goodbye' to Ms Jensen our Spanish teacher. Ms Jensen has secured a full-time teaching position, and will be relocating to Cornwall with her family early in the new year. I would like to thank Ms Jensen for her hard work during her time at St Peter's, and to wish her well for her next exciting chapter. From January, our Spanish lessons will be taught by Maria Rodriguez Vega, who currently leads the Hammersmith branch franchise of Lingotot. Ms Rodriguez Vega taught lessons to our Year 6 and Year 1 classes as part of her interview process and the feedback was extremely positive, so we are delighted to welcome her to our team.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Fisher who are the winning house this term with an incredible 5495 points. Fisher will enjoy an outing to the cinema after the Christmas break.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who has supported our cake sales this term. As a result of your amazing efforts, we have raised a phenomenal **£2,554**! Wow, keeeeeep baking!

Beauty and the Beast

On Wednesday 3rd December, the children from Year 1 to Year 6 were treated to a spectacular performance of Beauty and the Beast by Mance Productions. The hall was filled with laughter, excitement and plenty of Christmas cheer, as the children joined in with the fun and sang along, enjoying every moment of the performance.

Father Christmas

Also on Wednesday 3rd December, our Reception children got into the festive mood with a trip to the Lyric Theatre to watch Raymond Briggs' Father Christmas production. The show follows Father Christmas on the busiest day of the year for him, Christmas Eve. It was a truly magical experience and the children had a fantastic time.

Excelente Trabajo

Miss Jensen selected the following children to receive her Spanish award in recognition of their hard work this term: Thea (Reception), Zeno (Year 1), Clemmie (Year 2), Mimi (Year 3), Martha & Lumi (Year 4), Imo (Year 5) and Alfie (Year 6).

Punctuality

We closely monitor the punctuality rates of the children with the support of Fatima Mourad 'H&F Attendance Officer', to whom we are required to make referrals for those who persistently arrive late to school.

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. As we look towards 2026, please can I ask that we all make a new year's resolution to ensure that your children arrive at 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.

A copy of the term dates for this academic year and the academic year 2026 -2027 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 2 weeks:

	Week commencing 1st December	Week commencing 8th December
Reception	**98.0%**	**96.0%**
Year 1	**95.3%**	**98.0%**

Year 2	**92.7%**	**95.7%**
Year 3	**97.7%**	**99.0%**
Year 4	**95.0%**	**95.7%**
Year 5	**95.3%**	**97.3%**
Year 6	**95.7%**	**94.3%**

House Points

Class earning the most house points to 5th December: **Year R**
Class earning the most house points to 12th December: **Year 3**

	House points 05/12/25	House points 12/12/25	Total
Cross	**621**	**457**	**5020**
Fisher	**688**	**517**	**5495**
Rock	**669**	**530**	**5160**
Keys	**606**	**493**	**5166**

Headteacher's Award

	5th December	12th December	18th December
Reception	**Max & Cy**	**Suli & Orlando**	**Juno & Thomas**
Year 1	**Zeno & Otis**	**Suki & Vivienne**	**Hugo & Grace**
Year 2	**Sofiia & Charlotte**	**Evita & Felix**	**Mia & Clemmie**
Year 3	**Ai & Ernest**	**Cosima & Rex**	**Kyra & Lilyan**
Year 4	**Alex & Hunter**	**Amber & Josephine**	**Thor & David**
Year 5	**Lola & Louis**	**Zach & Reyan**	**Tsegtsbiligt & Isaiah**
Year 6	**Serenity & Isaac**	**Josiah & Lucy**	**Charlie & Max**

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.

5th December – Arthur & Ruby (Y1), Seb & Ruby (Y4)
12th December –Sasha & Zeno (Y1), Bear W (Y3), Lumi & Carter (Y4)
18th December – Otis (Y1), Lilyan (Y3), Ava (Y4), Isaac & Chloe (Y6)

Sports Awards

We award two certificates per class to children who have demonstrated good sportspersonship during PE sessions. Congratulations to the following children:

	5th December
Reception	**Flora & Monty**
Year 1	**Lottie & Micah**
Year 2	**Felix & Sofiia**
Year 3	**Rosa & Eliza**
Year 4	**Alfred**
Year 5	**Chloe & Dylan**
Year 6	**Lucy & Becca**

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 on @stpetersschoolw6

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 for a wonderful Christmas break,

Miss Frazer

Dates	Time	Description
05/01/26		INSET Day
06/01/26		Children return to school
09/01/26		Winning House Reward from Autumn term
WC 12/01/26		Clubs to restart
13/01/26	5pm	Year 6 Information Meeting (Farm and SATs)
19/01/26		Martin Luther King Day
21/01/26		Year 3 Class Assembly
WC 26/01/26		STEM Week
28/01/26		DT Day 2
WC 02/02/26		Children's Mental Health Week
04/02/26		PTA Valentine's Disco – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
04/02/26		Year 1 Class Assembly
05/02/26		KS2 Valentine's Disco
06/02/26		NSPCC Number Day
WC 09/02/26		Year 6 Residential Visit
10/02/26		Safer Internet Day & International Women and Girls in Science
WC 16/02/26		Half Term