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.

1st May 2026

May has arrived - and with it, the welcome return of sunshine! We've been treated to a beautiful week at school, it's amazing how everything feels brighter and more uplifting when the sun is shining. It has been a real joy to see the children making the most of the lovely weather, bringing an extra sense of energy and positivity to their days.

This morning, to mark the beginning of May, we were delighted by a wonderful performance from the Morris Men. Their lively music and traditional dancing created a fantastic atmosphere, and both children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Many even had the chance to join in with some of the dances, adding to the fun and making it a memorable way to welcome the new month.

As I am sure you are aware, **Monday 4th May is a Bank Holiday**, therefore school will be closed. I hope that you all have a wonderful weekend and look forward to seeing everyone return to school bright and early on Tuesday morning.

As this is such a busy term, I have listed below some key dates for you to note, to ensure that you don't miss out:

- **PTA Comedy Night – Friday 8th May –** Tickets are now on sale for our Comedy and Auction fundraising evening, which will be held at the Barley Mow Centre from **7pm**. If you haven't already done so, please purchase your tickets; it promises to be an event not to be missed, with comedy, music, food and a little bit of fundraising thrown in for good measure! We hope to see as many of you as possible there.
- **Sports Day** - **Friday 22nd May** – We would like to invite you all to join us at Ravenscourt Park for what is always a lovely family event. Watch your children participate in a range of competitive and non-competitive activities, enjoy a picnic lunch with your friends and family, and round off the day by impressing your children during the parents and carers races – you have just over 5 weeks to get training! More details will be sent out shortly, but we hope that as many of you as possible are able to join us.
- **Grandparents Day** – **Monday 8th June (1.30pm)** – an event when Grannies, Grandpas, Nannies and Grandads, plus any other significant elderly friends and relatives, are invited into school for a special collective worship session, tour of the classrooms and a delicious afternoon tea.
- **Dad's and Significant Lad's Breakfast** – **Friday 19th June (8am) –** in celebration of Father's Day we would like to welcome our dads and significant male influences/role models into school for a special breakfast as a thank you for all that you do for our children.
- **Open afternoon** – **Tuesday 23rd June (3.30pm – 5pm)** – an opportunity to visit the classrooms and to view the work on display.

- **Whole school summer production – Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th July (10am and 6pm)** – every child will be performing in our show, so please keep the date free so that you can come along to watch the children in action. The West End has nothing on our children!

Congratulations

Huge congratulations to Miss Birkett, who completed this year's London Marathon in an outstanding time of 4 hours and 20 minutes! This achievement is made even more remarkable by the fact that Miss Birkett was managing an ankle injury throughout the race and, incredibly, had been using a crutch to move around school just days beforehand.

On Sunday, Miss Birkett demonstrated our school values of perseverance and resilience in abundance, showing us what can be achieved with resilience and determination - a wonderful message to us all.

A special thank you to everyone who supported Miss Birkett in her fundraising efforts. Thanks to your generosity, she has raised an amazing £2,203 for St John's Ambulance—an amazing contribution to a fantastic cause. Well done Miss Birkett, we are all so proud of you!

Reception Class Assembly

Yesterday, the children in our Reception class performed their class assembly which centred around habitats. This was a very special event, as it was their very first class assembly ever! The children were incredible; they spoke with big loud voices, sharing their learning with us all and retelling the story of the 'Augustus and his smile' by Catherine Raynor – thankfully he found his smile by the end of the story! Incorporated into the assembly were a number of songs and poems complete with actions and lots of very impressive dance moves! The children performed with wonderful enthusiasm and confidence, making us all feel very proud; in fact we could have been forgiven for thinking that they had been performing for years! Well done to the children and thank you to Miss Miller and Miss Wheeler for all of their hard work in supporting the children with this event. Silent cheers all around!

Author visit

Last week, Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic visit to the Words and Wonders event at St Paul's School. The children listened carefully to an inspiring author panel, where they learned how writers create their stories and develop their ideas. They then took part in two engaging workshops led by authors Alex Milway and Karen Arthur, giving them the chance to use their imagination, share their thoughts, and develop their own storytelling skills. It was an incredibly fun and inspiring afternoon that encouraged a real enthusiasm for reading and writing.

Gurdwara visit

On Monday, Year 5 visited Khalsa Jatha Gurdwara in Shepherd's Bush to support their learning about Sikhism in RE. As a sign of respect, upon entering the building the children and staff took off their shoes and put on a purple headscarf. They were then taken through to the prayer hall, where they were shown typical worship activities. Following on from this, the children were then given the opportunity to see the special room in which the Guru Garanth Sahib (holy book) is kept overnight, where it rests on a beautifully decorated bed. The children were later given a presentation on the Sikh faith and historical information about the Gurdwara. Before heading back to school, the children visited the Langar Hall for a vegetarian meal, which was so delicious that several of the children enjoyed more than one plate of food!

Earth Day

On Tuesday 22nd April we celebrated Earth Day. Our chosen theme for the day was **"Grow Food, Grow Life."** We decided to make it a day of *doing*—taking practical steps to improve our environment and move forward with our school sustainability goals.

In light of this, Miss Edmondson our Sustainability Lead worked with children from across the school, in order to bring our neglected kitchen garden - which is situated at the front of the Scott Building Learning Kitchen - back to life, turning the area into a useful space for growing vegetables, whilst also increasing biodiversity to support insect life and pollination.

In addition to the work undertaken in the kitchen garden, every class completed an activity related to food production and growth. It was a fantastic day which signalled the beginning of much more work to be undertaken around the school site, which will help to make our outdoor areas greener.

A very active weekend

What a fantastic weekend it was for our school community—one filled with energy, achievement, and plenty of smiles!

Many of us (myself included!) took part in not just one, but two brilliant sporting events. First up, on Saturday 25th April 25 of our pupils, alongside their families, proudly completed the Mini Marathon. Taking on the final mile of the London Marathon route, they joined over 22,000 participants in what was an unforgettable experience. The atmosphere was simply electric, with crowds lining the route, cheering every step of the way. It gave us all a small taste of the excitement and encouragement that surrounds the full marathon each year. Thanks to everyone's efforts—and your generous support via our Instagram page—we are delighted to have raised an impressive **£465** for the school.

Hot on the heels of this came our very own Bridge to Bridge event on Sunday 26th—a vibrant and uplifting morning that truly captured the spirit of our community. Whether cycling, scooting, running or walking the 5K route, it was wonderful to see so many families and friends taking part. The event not only brought us together, but also inspired even the most reluctant runners among us to get involved and give it a go! We are thrilled to share that this event raised a further **£456** for the school.

A huge thank you—and a big St Peter's silent cheer—goes to Christina and LJ, their fantastic team of helpers, and to Joe and Alice at The Old Ship for their support in making the event such a success.
If you haven't already, do take a look at our Instagram page @stpetersschoolw6 where you can enjoy some wonderful snapshots capturing the spirit and joy of the weekend.

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: blossom, nature, mummy having a baby, deer spotting, grandad in hospital, fox sleeping, banged head, marathon & mini marathon.

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. 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 past two weeks:

	Week commencing 20th April	Week commencing 27th April
Reception	**94.3%**	**97.7%**
Year 1	**98.6%**	**92.1%**
Year 2	**99.7%**	**98.7%**
Year 3	**98.2%**	**98.9%**
Year 4	**97.6%**	**95.2%**
Year 5	**99.0%**	**94.1%**
Year 6	**97.7%**	**98.7%**

Headteacher's Award

	24th April	1st May
Reception	**Monty & Flora**	**All for assembly performance**
Year 1	**Pipper & Ruby**	**Lola & Robert**

Year 2	**Peto & Martha**	**Mia & Arthur**
Year 3	**Rosa F & Eliza**	**Rex & Leonora**
Year 4	**Alfred & Katie**	**Amber & Felix**
Year 5	**Tsegtsbiligt & Amber**	**Jemima & Orly**
Year 6	**Otto & Milena**	**Becca & Bowen**

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.

24th April – Grace (Y1), Saoirse & Thomas (Y2), Carter (Y4), Serenity (Y6)
1st May – Alice (Y1), Felix & Seb (Y4), Year 4

Sports Awards

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

	24th April	1st May
Reception	**Albie & Clemmie**	**Bertie & Suli**
Year 1	**Digby & Micah**	**Digby & Ruby**
Year 2	**Martha & Lucas**	**Dia & Max**
Year 3	**William & Helen**	**Rosa F & Archie**
Year 4	**Alaric & Josephine**	**Amber & Evalyn**
Year 5	**Clara & Orly**	**Orly & Olivia**
Year 6	**Nicky & Becca**	**Otto & Tilly**

House Points

Class earning the most house points to 24th April: **Year 1**
Class earning the most house points to 17th April: **Year 4**

	House points 24/04/26	House points 01/05/26	Total
Cross	**689**	**830**	**2716**
Fisher	**679**	**747**	**2631**
Rock	**709**	**797**	**2762**
Keys	**630**	**665**	**2352**

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 for the Bank Holiday weekend,

Miss Frazer

Dates	Time	Description
04/05/26		Bank Holiday
WC 11/05/26		Year 6 SATs Week
19/05/26		Governor Day
20/05/26		Year 6 Young Enterprise Event
22/05/26		Sports Day
WC 25/05/26		Half Term
01/06/26		INSET Day
02/06/26		Children return to school