



St Peter's C of E Primary School

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Good Afternoon,

Our Ofsted report has finally been published and states what we all already knew: **St Peter's is a GOOD school.**

Again, I would just like to thank you all for your support day in, day out, and over the course of the inspection. One pleasing note was that the parent survey was overwhelmingly positive. The inspector commented that he had never had one so strong. Some highlights included:

98% of parents would recommend St Peter's.

97% said that their child enjoyed school.

98% felt that communication between home and school was strong.

Myself and the staff are now looking forward to making the school even better, and continuing to improve the learning experience for our children.

Once again, thank you for your support.

Mr B



Spotlight once again, on our fabulous wider community

A great big thank you to those of you who were kind enough to send in Harvest donations for our food bank. We collected 129.25kg

this year!



Thank you to Mr Hempenstall who has donated some gravel to frame our lovely birdbath and sundial outside the front of the school and to the **Co-op** on Dog and Gunn Lane who donated a £20 voucher which we've used for tasty treats to encourage birds onto the site.



And finally a huge thank you to **Oakberry Trees, Dunton Bassett** for their donation of a Christmas tree this year. We feel very privileged as we are the only school that they donate to. If you would like a real Christmas tree this year please do consider Oakberry Trees. They have tag weekends on 11th & 12th November & 18th & 19th November where you can go along and choose your tree in the field where it is growing and they will tag and reserve it for you. Alternatively, from 25th November you can just turn up and purchase a tree to take home there and then. Take a look at their website www.oakberrytrees.co.uk



Medicine Donations

We are once again asking if anyone is in a position to donate any over 6 years Calpol/ Paracetamol. Our supplies are running low and as many of you know, we like to be able to offer pupils Calpol if they are suffering from a headache etc. It is through your kind donations that we are able to 'phone you and then administer the medicine, hopefully saving you from having to parents having to collect your children from school. Thank you for your support.



HOLIDAY DATES FOR YOUR 2023—2024

December

Thursday 21st December School closes for Christmas Break

January 2024

Monday 8th—School Opens

February

Monday 19th—Friday 23rd—Half Term Break

March

Friday 22nd School closes for Easter Break

April

Monday 8th School Opens

May

Monday 6th May—Bank Holiday

Monday 27th—Friday 31st May—Half Term

July

School closes Wednesday 10th July

ATTENDANCE

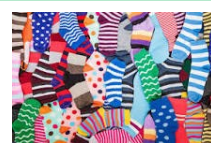
Each week we like to say well done to the class with the best attendance

As you are all aware the DFE have high expectations on attendance this year. Presently overall attendance to date is 97%

25/9/23	Zebras	97.41%
2/10	Zebras	98.86%
9/10	Turtles	96.47%

which is brilliant. It doesn't take much to make this figure drop. Lets keep up the good work, keep our pupils happy, healthy and learning. Let's see if we can get this figure to 98% - we all play a part in this.

Odd Socks Day for Anti-bullying Week



We will be inviting children (and staff) to wear odd socks on **Monday 13th November** to mark the start of Anti-bullying Week. During the week we will be doing activities in school to celebrate diversity and inclusion.

Children in Need Friday 17th November

'Wear something spotty' day. The donation page for this is now open on Parent Pay.

Please copy and paste the following into your search box and it will take you to the page:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=12292>



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (please retain this for future reference)

September

Wednesday 20th

School Photographer in 8.00 pre school children welcome with siblings

Tuesday 26th

Parents' Reading 'drop in' sessions for Years 1—6

Wednesday 27th—2nd October

Scholastic Book Fair after school in the hall

October

Thursday 5th

School Census day (encourage your child to have hot meal)

Monday 9th

Flu Vaccinations

Thursday 26th

Pre School Open Morning Visits

November

Thursday 2nd

Financial Maths Lesson—Parents Drop in session 9.00-9.45

Monday 27th

Parents Evening 3.30—7.00

Wednesday 29th

Parents Evening 3.30—5.30

December

Monday 11th

Pantomime—Aladdin

May

Wednesday 22nd—Friday 24th

Year 5/6 trip to Kingswood

2024—2025

September

12th—13th

Year 3/4 trip to Beaumanor

Is your child due to start school August 2024 or do you know a family whose child is?

We are holding open sessions for prospective parents to view our wonderful school. Please phone school or pop into the office to make an appointment.

Tuesday 7th November 9.15, 10.45, 11.30

There will be an opportunity to talk to the Headteacher, tour the school and find out more about us.



SHINING STARS

Don't forget the new system for Shining Stars is now in place. All bookings to be made online please. December deadline is 20th November.

Tax— Free Childcare

For those parents who use our Shining Stars Before & After School Club, please check to see if you qualify for tax-free childcare. As a childcare provider we're all signed up so you could save £2 for every £10 in fees paid, if you register.

As payment cannot be made via ParentPay, please advise the office if you register so that we can amend our records.

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

Mrs Howard's Books of the Fortnight

For more book recommendations and advice to support your child with reading, go to

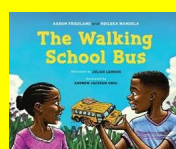


www.booktrust.org.uk

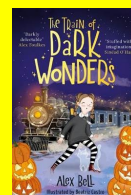
Ages 4-5



Ages 6-8



Ages 9-11 and up



Ages 10 and up



EYFS—People that work in the care industry

We are so proud of all of the children in Tiger's class and how they have settled into school at St. Peters. We have been learning about 'Who helps us in our community'. The children have enjoyed learning about different jobs and talking about what they would like to be when they grow up. Last half term, we were so lucky to welcome some special visitors into school. We had a Police Officer, a Paramedic, a Doctor and a Nurse who came to talk about how they help people. We even got to try on some uniforms and sit in a real ambulance and police car. The children loved hearing how loud the siren was!

Year 2 visit



Year 2 had the privilege of meeting 'Florence Nightingale.' The Polars Bears learnt about the importance of Florence Nightingale and her impact on the world, we even learnt some amazing facts! Did you know that Florence Nightingale cared for an owl on a ship? We were lucky enough to do some fun activities such as explore interesting artefacts from the past.



Hidden Talents

Emilia Cooper-Jones in Year 6 has been performing in School of Rock at The Little Theatre in Leicester. It was an amazing show and Emilia shone as one of the children in the band, with her super singing and acting skills. We are proud of your creativity and confidence, Emilia.!



"In everything treat others the same way you want them to treat you" Matthew 7-12

We are refocusing our children on our school motto this term and what better way to kick off than with a shout out to Sara Gavrila in Year 3, who has been saving money in her piggy bank, to buy food for the food bank. We are proud of your kindness, Sara!

Polite reminder: Could we please ask that all uniform and PE kit is labelled—biro on the white size label is fine—we are accumulating vast amounts of lost property.

