



# St Peter's C of E Primary School

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It has been great to see all the children jump straight back into Spring term. I have loved talking to them about their new topics and seeing the excitement and curiosity they have for their new learning. The children all looked very smart on their return after Christmas and are a real credit to our parents and school. We really appreciate your efforts to send children into school in smart uniform and understand the costs required to do this. Our school uniform is an important part of our identity: it sets standards and demonstrates the pride the children have for the school.

Wishing you all a very happy and prosperous 2024,  
Mr B

## 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

## Y3 and 4's Trip to the Think Tank

On Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> of January, Y3 and Y4 went to the Think Tank in Birmingham. We enjoyed it and had lots of fun. We explored it with glee. In the middle of the morning, Y4 had a Forensic Investigation and Y3 had Forces with Magnets. We explored the last floors and enjoyed the experiments along the way. I rate it as a 5 star experience. By Isabella, Year 4.

## ATTENDANCE

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

18/12	97.32%	Penguins
8/01	99.33%	Polar Bears
15//01	97.8%	Turtles

Overall attendance as at 24th January  
96.7%

It would be great if we could achieve 97% by the next newsletter.



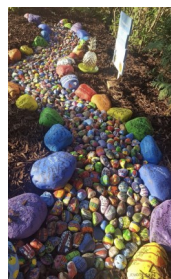
### Spotlight On

#### Competitions!

Our whole school Christmas



competition, where we asked children to decorate a pebble to reflect one of our pupil values, proved to be really popular. We had some wonderful designs and plan to create a path outside school that we can all enjoy. Well done to our winners, Albie Field in Year 1 and Charlie Crosbie in Year 3, for their creative designs.



We are running a Times Tables Rock Stars competition across Years 2 to 6 this month, to encourage our older children to practice their times tables—a vital skill which improves confidence and fluency in Maths. The programme is able to calculate how long each child spends practising and we will announce the winners in Celebration Assembly next week.

As ever, your support in all of these endeavours makes all of the difference and is very much appreciated ☺

## Uniform

With a new term and new year underway, we are taking the opportunity to revisit our uniform policy. Studies show that uniform helps create a sense of belonging, has a positive effect on behaviour in school and of course, keeps costs down, avoiding competition between children and the need to buy branded clothes. Please support us to ensure that children adhere to our dress code (ref. the school website if you're unsure), for both uniform and PE kit (black or blue for PE is fine). Please don't forget to label all items of uniform and PE kit. We already have a huge amount of lost property—feel free to come and have a look through, if you're missing anything.



**At St Peter's, our Christian values underpin the ethos and whole life of our school:**

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

♥ Friendship ♥ Thankfulness ♥ Forgiveness ♥ Respect ♥ Trust ♥ Hope ♥ Compassion ♥ Justice ♥

## Parking outside school

A number of local residents and families who walk to school, have contacted us regarding parents parking on the yellow zig-zag lines outside of school. There is also concern at the speed of some vehicles in the school vicinity. For the safety of all of our community, could you please ensure that you park away from the yellow lines and entrance to school and that you drive slowly along Wale Road. We have contacted the local PCSO who will be conducting random checks and issuing fines for any vehicle that contravenes the parking code.



## WASPs News

### Disco update:

Our rearranged disco date will be 15th February. Original tickets are valid from the cancelled disco, so please don't worry about swapping them. We also have names of children that purchased tickets before if you have misplaced them.

Disco times still remain the same:

Year 1, 2 & 3: 5-6pm

Year 4, 5 & 6: 6:15-7:15pm

Tickets will be available in February closer to the date.

Previous purchased tickets: If the new date doesn't suit and you would like a refund please contact WASPs

- **Clothing Collection, Rags 2 Riches on 11th March 2023 - please bring clothes in the morning.**
- **Summer fair stall bookings have opened up, if your interested in having a stall please email for a booking form. Early Bird stall fee is £15**

All information on our events are on our Facebook page Email waspspta@hotmail.com

Introducing...

## St Peter's RE Ambassadors



Jacob, Raffael, Michael, Kelsie, Amelia and Talia are our new RE Ambassadors. They will be helping to lead assemblies and giving out 'You've been spotted' stickers to children who are demonstrating our school values ⇒



## REMINDER CHANGES IN ATTENDANCE FROM JAN 2024

Following the latest DFE guidance we have to inform you that from 1st January any unauthorised absence could result in a fine.

We actively encourage you to ensure your child is at school and all holidays are booked outside of term time.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### March

Monday 18th

Parents Evening

Wednesday 20th

Parents Evening

### May

Weds 22nd— Fri 24th

Year 5/6 trip to Kingswood

### June

Saturday 15th

WASP's School Fete

### 2024—2025

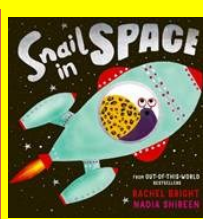
### September

12th—13th

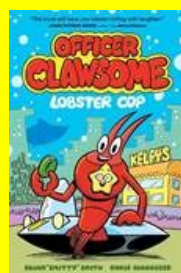
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## Mrs Howard's Books of the month

Ages 4-5



Ages 6-8



Ages 9-11 and up



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

[www.booktrust.org.uk](http://www.booktrust.org.uk)



