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Church of England Primary School

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29 April 2022

Dear Parents

I am pleased to write with this week's newsletter. This letter and alongside previous versions can be found in the [letters section](#) of our website.

Safeguarding, Welfare & Wellbeing

Safeguarding and Welfare will always be our very highest priority in helping us achieve our vision of Love Learn Shine. Safeguarding covers a range of areas including the safe management of staff, volunteers and visitors, the safe management of all school activities, strong and secure child protection procedures and developing children's understanding of how to keep themselves safe in the modern world.

We will use this section of the newsletter to keep families up to date with a range of key safeguarding and welfare information.

Growing up in North Yorkshire Survey

This term children in Year 2 & 6 will have the opportunity to help contribute to the Growing Up in North Yorkshire Survey. This provides schools with anonymised data regarding health related habits of children which helps inform our curriculum development and health priorities.

More details will follow in an additional letter for families with children in these year groups.



Road Safety

You may have noticed the yellow zig zag lines and double yellow lines outside school have been freshly painted. Please help us keep our children safe by never stopping on the zig zag lines and not parking on the double yellow lines.



In addition to contributing to keeping our children safe this helps ensure our neighbours can access their properties safely at all times.

NSPCC

TikTok

Recent research carried out by Ofcom found out that just over half of all 3-17-year-olds are using TikTok. Over the last few months, you may have seen reports in the press about young people coming across inappropriate and harmful content on the platform.

The NSPCC have put together a guide to help families understand the risks, and give you an overview of some of the safety settings that might help to keep your child safer on the app. You can access the guide [here](#).

Year Six Additional Safeguarding Information

Please can families with children in Year 6 look out for and read the additional letter regarding some specific safeguarding issues that has also been sent this evening. Thank you.

Is TikTok safe for children?
Six safety settings to help keep your child safe





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COVID-19 UPDATE

We are pleased to share the following updated information with regard to COVID. It includes updated information on isolation, as well as a new expanded list of symptoms:

SYMPTOMS

can include:

- a high temperature or shivering (chills) – a high temperature means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste
- shortness of breath
- feeling tired or exhausted
- an aching body
- a headache
- a sore throat
- a blocked or runny nose
- loss of appetite
- diarrhoea
- feeling sick or being sick

The symptoms are very similar to symptoms of other illnesses, such as colds and flu.

THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO TEST IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS.

It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.

WHAT ACTIONS TO TAKE IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS

If you have symptoms of COVID-19, and a high temperature or do not feel well enough to go to work or do your normal activities you should:

- try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people
- avoid meeting people at higher risk from COVID-19, especially if their immune system means they're at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19, even if they've had a COVID-19 vaccine

You can go back to your normal activities if you:

- feel well enough to do so
- do not have a high temperature

CHILDREN - WHAT ACTIONS TO TAKE IF YOU HAVE A POSTIVE LFT OR PCR TEST

If a child or young person aged 18 or under tests positive for COVID-19, they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days. This starts from the day after they did the test.

Children and young people tend to be infectious to others for less time than adults. If they're well and do not have a temperature after 3 days, there's a much lower risk that they'll pass on COVID-19 to others.



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COVID Vaccination Option



Vaccinating 5-11-year olds

On 16 February, the Government accepted advice from the JCVI to make a non-urgent offer of Covid-19 vaccines to all children aged five to 11, to increase protection against potential future waves of COVID-19. The National Booking Service has opened and bookings for children aged 5 to 11 can now be made.

This will not be an in-school offer, except where SAIS providers are used to provide vaccinations in special educational needs (SEN) schools.

The NHS is already vaccinating children aged 5 to 11 who are most at risk of Covid-19 or who are a household contact of someone who is immunosuppressed.

The [National Booking Service](#) (NBS) shows available appointments and there is also a site finder to locate vaccine walk-in centres which is updated regularly. This finder shows which doses are offered at each location and to which age groups.

Attendance Update

Attendance for the whole school for the year so far is 94% with a national expectation of 97%. We appreciate the impact that COVID has had on this figure.

29% of children have attendance of 98%+ and 50% of children have attendance of above 50%. You can help us keep improving our attendance figures by ensuring your child attends every day.

We of course do understand that children are occasionally ill and we are grateful where families inform of as this as soon as they know.

Check out the [attendance section](#) of our website for more information



Behaviour Update

As we start the new term we will be reminding all the children of our three core expectations that ensure our behaviour enables everyone to Love Learn and Shine.

Our expectations are that we are all Ready, Respectful and Safe each and every day.

We will continue to award merits with children working towards the merit certificate milestones.



Behaviour For Learning Expectations

Our vision of LOVE LEARN SHINE has shaped our agreed behaviour expectations. They are;

READY

I will be ready and determined to do my best.

RESPECTFUL

I will be respectful and honest.

SAFE

I will be safe and kind to myself and others.

Our expectations apply at all times, in all places and with all people.



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So far this year 22,845 positive merits have been awarded. 96% of children have 50 merits or more and 28% of children have 100 merits or more.

A superb 75% of children a 100% positive behaviour records which means they have earned only positive merits and have received no negatives at all for the year so far.

Staffing Update

We are pleased to inform families that Mrs Starkey who teaches in Kingfishers is expecting her second child in the autumn. I am sure you will join me in sending her and Mr Starkey our congratulations and best wishes.

Mrs Ratcliffe will join Mrs Renton in the Early Years and KS1 team in September and will be working with Mrs Renton to welcome our new starters throughout their summer term transition programme.

I will write after May half term with full details of the class and staffing structure for 2022-2023.



We are pleased to welcome Mrs Jennifer Patchett who will join our team as a supply teaching assistant. I am sure you join me in wishing her a warm welcome to the St Peter's family and will make Mrs Patchett welcome

Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for an 'Academy Governor' on our Local Governing Board. Academy governors can be anyone from the community who is suitable to be co-opted onto the board by the existing members of the board and with the approval of the Trust.

They can be a parent of the school but this is not a requirement. We are keen to hear from anyone who is or knows of someone who might be interested in serving their community through this role. We would be particularly keen to hear from anyone who has a background and understanding of financial management.



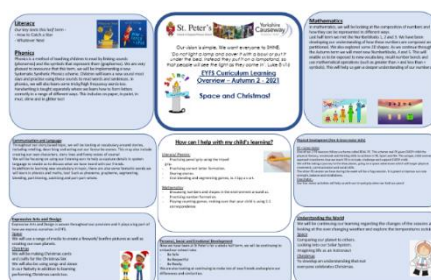
If you are interested or know of anyone who is please in the first instance get in touch with our Clerk to Governors Mrs S Thom via admin@stpeter.ycway.uk

Curriculum Spotlight

Curriculum

Curriculum Learning Overviews for the summer term will be published on [class pages](#) of our website over the next week.

We hope these provide families with a helpful guide to the content taught over the term ahead. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher.





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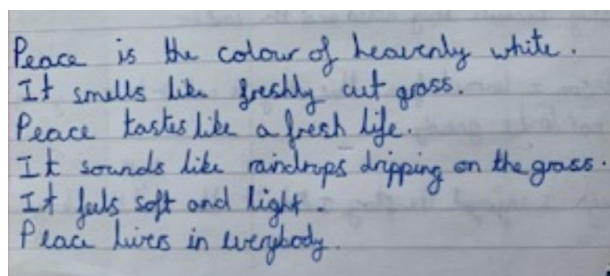
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EYFS

A big well done to everyone who has been practising their reading and phonics at home over the Easter break. To support home learning, the children will bring home a special sheet each Friday, this will give you an insight into the phonics sessions we have taught over the week. Please help your child to read and write some of the words and sentences on the sheet, this will help them embed their phonetic knowledge, improve their confidence, and prepare them for Year 1.

KS2



Year 5&6 have been developing their creative writing skills with a focus on using abstract nouns and their senses.



Year 5&6 have started their athletics training by investigating 'Which is the best way to start a race?' They have explored standing, sprint start, on one leg, lying down... and carried out a fair test to answer their question.

Summer Term National Assessments

During the summer our children will take part in the following national assessments.

- Year 1 Phonics screening
- End of Key Stage One (Year 2 SATS)
- Year 4 Multiplication check
- End of Key Stage Two (Year 6 SATS)

The dates of these assessments can be found at the end of this newsletter.

We are pleased to have added information regarding all [Statutory Assessments](#) to our updated website as well as parents guides which can be accessed via the links below.

- [Year 1 Phonics Check Parent Information](#)
- [Year 4 Multiplication Check Parent Guide](#)

**National Curriculum
Assessment**



**Standards
& Testing
Agency**



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Homework

Over the course of this term we will be reviewing our homework policy. As part of this review we will be seeking the views of staff, parents and children.

Following this review we will update our homework policy. Class teachers can clarify arrangements for this coming term for anyone not yet clear on the current arrangements



Jubilee

We are pleased to have planned events to mark and celebrate as a school the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

During the week beginning 23rd May children will participate in a series of worship times exploring the Jubilee and the Queen's achievements. Children in Owls are taking part in a community dance project with local residents.

Thursday 26th May 9.30am St Peter's Church – A service of thanks and celebration. Families welcome to attend.

Thursday 26th May – Children will make a Jubilee commemorative craft in school for them to keep.

Friday 27th May – Non-uniform day wearing red white and blue. Donations collected for this will go to a charity selected by the children. Jubilee cake sale. Red white and blue themed cakes and buns. We would welcome donations from all classes for this special Jubilee cake sale with all funds going to the charity selected by the children.

We are also hoping to publish a special Jubilee newsletter with articles and work from the children. If your child would like to submit some work they can email it to post it on the class TEAMS page.



Headteacher Special Mention

I am delighted to give a special mention to three charity champions, Finn L, Lucas L and Olivia R.

Over the Easter holiday Finn, Lucas and Olivia showed superb initiative, thoughtfulness and dedication in setting up a car wash in their local



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area to raise money for their chosen charity of Cancer Research UK.

Through all their endeavours they raised £50 for Cancer Research. Well done we are all very proud of your efforts.



Chess Championship Success

Thank you and well done to everyone who attending the Harrogate Junior Chess Championships.

A special thank you to all the volunteers, the dignitaries and St. Roberts for hosting the event. But most of all to the children who seemed to really enjoy it!!!

Matthew Chan was runner up in Year 6. Eli Maunder was joint 3rd.

Jan Trzybinski was runner up in Year 5 and he also won a book prize for the best game.

Lee Tak Yui was joint 1st in Year 3 and under.

Oatlands won the trophy for the school with the overall best results and St Peter's took away the runner up trophy. All in all, a very successful performance to be celebrated.



Harrogate Junior Chess Championships 2022





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Merit Awards

Infants	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Wrens Yahya and Viv Kingfishers Will and James Sparrows Martha and Reuben Finches Georgia and Noah A	Owls Nancy and Daniel Magpies Harrison and Neli Starlings Bea and Evie	Eagles Iustin and Natalia Hérons Felix and Adelaide Ravens Florence and Addy

Collective Worship Spotlight

This half term we are focusing on the value of Friendship and will also be having a week of special worships dedicated to celebrating the Jubilee.

This week we have focused on caring for our friends in good times and bad learning from the story of David and Jonathan.

We have all been very impressed with all the ideas suggestions and examples of how children can care for their friends even in difficult times.



Other News

Summer Term Lunch Menu

We are pleased to attach the lunch menu for the summer term. As well as a daily choice of hot options we cater for dairy requirements and provide vegetarian options as well as meat free days throughout the three-week menu cycle.

Children have choice of options on the day.



Menu will be running - March 28th, April 18th, May 9th, May 30th, June 20th, July 13th					
WEEK 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Beef burger in a roll with Wedgels	Meat balls in Tomato sauce with Pasta	Sweet & Sour Pork with Noodle	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Fish Finger with chips
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH	Vegetable Burger with Wedgels	Quorn Chicken in Tomato sauce with Pasta	Mixed Vegetable Chow Mein	Quorn Roast with Gravy	Quorn nuggets with chips
ACCOMpaniments	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
DESSERTS	Flapjack	Strawberry Jam Sponge with Custard	Chocolate And Banana Cake	Arctic Roll	Fruit & Jelly
FRESH FRUIT OR YOGURT	Fresh fruit or yogurt	Fresh fruit or yogurt	Fresh fruit or yogurt	Fresh fruit or yogurt	Fresh fruit or yogurt
JACKET POTATO	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection	Jacket potato and sandwich selection

Regular theme meals days are also a feature of each term. Children recently enjoyed a special Easter lunch.



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Payments

We are pleased to be able to offer fast, easy and secure online payments via ParentPay. A link to ParentPay can be found on the main home page of our updated website.

Any outstanding balances from the spring term should be settled before any further paid services are taken at the start of the summer term. Payments via ParentPay can be made at any time including during school holidays.



Diary Dates

Monday 9th May – Thursday 12th May – End of Key Stage Two (Year 6) SATS Week.

Friday 13th May – Harrogate District Walk to School day.

Monday 16th May – Friday 20th May – End of Key Stage One (Year 2) SATS Week.

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th May – Jubilee events.

Thursday 26th May 9.30 am St Peter's Church. Jubilee Service of Thanks and Celebration.

Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June – Half Term Week.

Monday 6th June (week beginning) – Children in Year 1 will take undertake their phonics screening this week.

Monday 13th June (week beginning) – Children in Year 4 will undertake their Year 4 multiplication check.

Thursday 21st July – 9.30 Leavers Service St Peter's Church

Thursday 21st July – 6.00pm FOSP End of Year Disco

Friday 22nd July – School Closes (2.00pm) for the end of the Summer term.

Cake Stall Dates

6 May	Wrens Cake Stall
13 May	Herons Cake Stall
20 May	Eagles Cake Stall
27 May	Ravens Cake Stall

Best wishes

Mr Paul Griffiths - Headteacher



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