



St. Peter's

Church of England Primary School

LOVE LEARN SHINE
Shine in the light and love of God.

Friday 3 February 2023

Dear Parents

I am pleased to write with this week's newsletter. This letter and 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](#). We will use this section of the newsletter each week to keep families up to date with a range of key safeguarding and welfare information.

Emotional Wellbeing

In our classes and worship next week we be looking at and thinking about Mental Health Week. [Place2Be](#) launched the first-ever Children's Mental Health Week in 2015 to shine a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health.

The theme this year is 'Let's Connect which is about making meaningful connections for all, during Children's Mental Health Week – and beyond. People thrive in communities, and this connection is vital for our wellbeing.



Cost of Living Support & Advice

We appreciate the cost of living is impacting in all families in different ways. Attached to the newsletter this week is a guide on how to making savings with essential utilities such as gas, electricity and water.



Body Confidence

Feeling happy about how they look can help children to feel confident. It is also very typical for children to worry about the way they might look sometimes. Especially as they grow and go through puberty.

The [Childline website](#) has a range of resources that can directly support children and also provides helpful advice to families who may be supporting a child with feelings around their body changing and developing.



PSHE Focus

All classes have had a focus on Personal Social Health Education this week learning about different aspects of keeping healthy and staying safe.

A big thank you to Mr Anderson who is a dentist who came to talk to children about the importance of good oral hygiene and how to care for our teeth.

He gave us lots of top tips and was very patient in answering all our questions.



A Busy Sporting Week

We now have a sports club running every night of the week offering; Rugby, Football, Dodgeball, and Tennis. As well as this we have bee out and about competing also.

Year 5 Football

Children from Year 5 represented St Peter's superbly this evening in blustery conditions at Rosset High. Working with young leaders from Rossett High who helped coach and referee games, children took part in five matches against teams from Pannal, Oatlands A, Oatlands B, Rossett Primary and Western.

The children worked superbly as a team showing great commitment and effective teamwork playing some super football and showing strong sporting values. They came third overall winning two matches narrowly losing two and drawing one.

Very well done to all who took part and thanks to the families who braved the windy conditions to support the team.



Dodgeball Competition Year 3&4

The Sporting Influence Dodgeball competition series continued this week with action turning to children from Year 3&4. In the warmth and space of the Harrogate High Sports Hall children from St Peters competed against five other local schools.

After a narrow defeat in their first game to North Rigton they then won their next three fixtures beating teams from All Saints, Willow Tree and Bilton Grange. Following the success of the year 5&6 team winning their tournament last week the Year 3&4 followed this up superbly with a very strong second place overall.

As a team they worked incredibly well together showing great sporting values of determination and teamwork. Very well done to all who took part. Next week it is the turn of children from Year 1&2.



Collective Worship Spotlight

Perseverance

Our theme for this half term in our worship time is perseverance.

This week we would like to share a prayer about perseverance from our worship this week.

Dear God

Thank you that you travel on every journey with us. Help us to persevere when the challenges are hard.

Amen.



Whole School

Parent Consultations – Reminder

In response to feedback from parents there will be four separate evenings over which appointments can be made with three of the four evenings being for in person appointments.

Booking system for appointments will go live at 6.30pm Wednesday via the SCOPAY – [here](#)



Punctuality

A polite reminder that school starts at 8.45. Staff will be present from 8.40am to welcome children and lines will enter school promptly at 8.45. Please do all you can to ensure children arrive on time. Thank you.

The school day ends at 3.15 with children leaving the building from this time.



Attendance and Leave of Absence

Our attendance policy can be accessed [here](#). It outlines our approaches to attendance including authorised and unauthorised absences and the expectations placed on us as school in relation to promoting good attendance and challenging any unauthorised absence. There is also a range of information regarding attendance expectations available on the [attendance page](#) of our website.

Attendance Matters



Merit awards

Infants	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Wrens George and Lucy Kingfishers Nikita and Scarlett Sparrows Poppy and George Finches Ayah and Naomi	Owls Reuben and Martha Starlings Rosie and Georgia	Eagles Ben and Chiara Herons Kyran and Nel Ravens George and Ethan

Friends of St Peter's (FOSP) News

FOSP Upcoming Events

FOSP have a number of events planned over the coming weeks and months.

Pancake Day

To mark Shrove Tuesday children will be able to take part in pancake races and decorate a pancake after school on Tuesday 21 February on the back playground straight after school.

Quiz Night

Back by popular demand for another year is the annual FOSP Quiz Night. Please see the poster opposite for full details.

We hope to see you there.



FOSP Fish & Chips Quiz Night

Thursday 23rd February | 7pm – 9.30pm

Groups of 10 or buy a single ticket and we'll find a great group for you to join! This will be followed by fish and chips from a local takeaway!

BYOB

(Corkage donation for FOSP is kindly asked for)

£9.50 per ticket

To book your place please email fosp2015@yahoo.co.uk or contact FOSP on our fb page. BACS payments to: St Peters PTA, Yorkshire Bank, Acct. 16916423, S.C. 05-04-54

Diary Dates



Important Diary Dates

Date	Activity	Year Group(s)
Friday 10 February 2023	School finishes for half term	Whole School
Friday 10 February 2023	Young Voices Concert in Sheffield	Choir members
Monday 20 February 2023	School opens for second half of spring term.	Whole School
Tuesday 21 February	3.15pm back playground. Shrove Tuesday pancake races and pancake decorating	Whole School
Thursday 23 February 7.00pm – 9.30pm	FOSP Quiz and Fish and Chip Supper	All welcome
Week beginning Monday 27 th February	Parent Consultation Week. Both in person and online appointments will be available more details to follow.	Whole School
Tuesday 28 March	Dress Rehearsal of Year 3&4 Production.	Whole School
Wednesday 29 March	9.30 am Morning performance of Year 3&4 Production 5.30pm Evening performance of Year 3&4 Production	Families

Thursday 30 March 2023	9.30 am Easter Service St Peter's Church.	Whole School
Friday 31 March 2023	3.15 pm School closes for Easter.	Whole School
Monday 17 April 2023	Start of Summer Term – INSET Day School closed to children	Staff Only
Tuesday 18 April 2023	Children return start of summer term.	Whole School
Monday 1 May 2023	May Day Bank Holiday. School closed.	Whole School
Monday 8 May 2023	Additional Coronation Bank Holiday School closed	Whole School
Tuesday 9 – Friday 12 May 2023	Year 6 SATS week.	Year 6