



St. Peter's
Church of England Primary School

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

Friday 22 September

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.

Fire Safety Talks

We were delighted to welcome Andy and Joe from North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service into school on Wednesday. They spent the afternoon working with children teaching them about their role in the community which as we learned goes beyond attending fires and includes helping people trapped after accidents including on boats, helping in flood situations as well as educating children and families on how to keep safe in their homes and schools.

You can read more about their visit in the [news section](#) of our website.



Play Equipment Start and End of the Day

It is wonderful to see the children still enjoying our fixed play equipment throughout the school day.

It is however not possible to supervise this at the start and end of the school day as staff are focused on collecting their classes and if needed speaking with parents. For their own safety and that of family members picking up and dropping off we respectfully ask that children do not play on the equipment before or after school.



Safeguarding Policy & Procedures

We are pleased to have published our updated Safeguarding Policy and procedures for 2023-2024 on our website.

Safeguarding refers to the policies, procedures and practices employed to keep children safe from harm and promote their well-being.

This policy which can be accessed via the [policies page](#) of our website.



Online Safety Parent Information Session

Through our partnership with Knowsley City Learning we are delighted to offer all families the opportunity to access a free online safety information session.

This session will take place on Wednesday 4th October 2023 – 4pm – 4.45pm. We will share the link with parents via email and our school website nearer the time.

The session will be recoded for anyone who is not able to access this at the time. We will share the link to the recording via the online safety section of our website after the event.



Whole School

Attendance

If you have not had chance to do so yet please do read the additional letter sent at the start of this week in relation to attendance. The letter can be accessed [here](#).

There is also a wide range of information regarding attendance which can be accessed via the [attendance page](#) of our website as well as an [attendance parent guide](#) which we encourage all families to read. Thank you for your support.



Strategic Planning Sibling Survey

As part of our strategic planning we aim to build an accurate picture of the number of siblings likely to join the school in the next two academic years (2024-2025 and 2025-2026). Thank you to everyone who has responded so far, this remains open over this weekend.

We would be most grateful if you could complete a short survey which can be accessed [here](#).



Parent Consultations – Save the Date

Individual parent consultations will take place later in the autumn term. This is a chance for parents to see their child's work and have an individual conversation with your child's class teacher. To provide a range of options for families appointments will be take place on four different evenings over two consecutive weeks with both in person and online appointments available. Please see the diary dates section at the bottom of the newsletters for the dates.



Appointments will be booked via [Arbor](#) so please do ensure you have access to the App or the online portal.

Reading Book Amnesty

Please can families have a good look around at home to check if they have any of our school Big Cat readings books that are yet to be returned.





Sporting Competitions Kick Off

As we begin a new school year we are excited to be beginning a new year of Sporting competition on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings with our partners at Sporting Influence. The year has started with a series of football competitions hosted at Harrogate High. For the first three weeks it is the turn of children from Year 1&2. Each week children get to work on their skills before playing a series of matches against other local schools. Each week there is also the chance for children to win a Sporting Influence wrist band for demonstrating one of the Sporting Influence values which are; Body Language, Communication, Determination, Encouragement and Respect. A full list of competitions for the year can be found [here](#).



Collective Worship

This week we have begun exploring our theme for the remainder of the half term which is generosity.

We read the story from the bible called 'The Big Party' learning that God's teaches us to care and be generous to everyone we meet.



FOSP News

Story Night

We look forward to welcoming children and families for Early Years and Key Stage One to our story night an early reading information session this Wednesday 27 September 6.00pm- 7.00pm in school.

During the evening the children can enjoy stories, milk and cookies while the adults can learn about how school teachers early reading. We look forward to welcoming as many families as possible.



All Early Years & KS1 children and parents are invited to attend

St Peter's Infant Story Night & Phonics Evening

Wednesday 27 September
6pm - 7pm



Story night hosted by FOSP whilst parents attend the phonics evening.
Donation of £1 per child to FOSP.



Milk & cookies provided.
Please make FOSP aware of any allergies ahead of time.

Rabinder's Sponsored Walk

Please support Rabinder as she takes part in a sponsored walk around Fewston Reservoir to raise money for our school library. Any donations are hugely appreciated and, for every £1 she raises, Barclays Bank will match to a total of £750.

Anonymous donations however won't be matched so please include your name. You can use the link below to donate.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/rabinder-sidhu-3>



Shine Awards

Early Years and Key Stage One	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Wrens Lyons and Rosie Kingfishers Scarlett and Matvii Finches Omar and Felix H-M Sparrows William and Viv	Owls Hugo W-E and Mia Starlings David and Georgia	Hérons Camilla and Liz Ravens Kyran and Ava Eagles Callum and Xander

Community News



Diary Dates



Important Diary Dates

School Term and Holiday Dates 2023/2024

	AUGUST 2023	SEPTEMBER 2023	OCTOBER 2023	NOVEMBER 2023	DECEMBER 2023	JANUARY 2024
Monday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Tuesday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Wednesday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31
Thursday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Friday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Saturday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Sunday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28

	FEBRUARY 2024	MARCH 2024	APRIL 2024	MAY 2024	JUNE 2024	JULY 2024
Monday	5 12 19 26	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Tuesday	6 13 20 27	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
Wednesday	7 14 21 28	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
Thursday	1 8 15 22 29	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Friday	2 9 16 23	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
Saturday	3 10 17 24	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Sunday	4 11 18 25	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28

■ Bank Holiday
■ School Holiday
■ Professional development/training days

Pupils must be taught for a minimum of 190 days. The number of term days shown is 192.
These recommended professional development (PD) days for teaching staff have also been highlighted; pupils will not attend school on these days.
Schools will need to identify a further two PD days from the calendar. Please could you send your remaining two PD days to the Education Office - Harrogate via email: schoolswelfare@northyorks.gov.uk when you have agreed them.

Calendar for 2024-2025 is also published on our website and can be accessed [here](#). Please check when planning any holidays or appointments.

Date	Activity	Year Group(s)
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Wednesday 27 September 6.00pm	Early Years and Key Stage One Phonics Information Evening and Story Night	Parents and children from Early Years and Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)
Thursday 28 September	School Photos	All classes.
Thursday 5 October 9.30a, St Peter's Church	Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church	All welcome
Friday 6 October	Flu Immunisations for those opting.	Those opting. More details to follow from NHS community team.
Monday 9 – Thursday 12 October	Book Fair in School	3.15 – 4.00pm
Thursday 26 October	FOSP Halloween Disco at school	6.00 – 8.00
Friday 27 October	Break up for Half Term	All classes
Monday 6 November	Staff INSET Training Day – School closed to children	All classes
Tuesday 7 November	Autumn Term second half begins – all children return to school.	All classes
Tuesday 7 November	Author Visit including workshops.	TBC
Wednesday 8 – Friday 10 November	Year 5 Bewerley Park Residential	Year 5
Thursday 9 and Friday 10 November	Bikeability Cycle Training	Year 6 Groups
Tuesday 14 November Thursday 16 November	Parent Consultation – In person and online appointments available – details to follow.	All classes, all families.
Thursday 16 and Friday 17 November	Bikeability Cycle Training	Year 6 Groups
Thursday 16 November 3.15 – 5.00	FOSP Key Stage Two Movie Night	Key Stage Two children Yr3-6 pre booked tickets only.
Friday 17 November	Children In Need Day – 'SPOTacular' non uniform, spots or pyjamas plus special Pudsey whole school cake sale.	All classes
Tuesday 21 November Thursday 23 November	Parent Consultation – In person and online appointments available – details to follow.	All classes, all families.
Monday 4 December 4.30 – 5.30	Advent Concert in School	All welcome
Saturday 9 December 12.00 – 2.00pm	FOSP Christmas Fare	Everyone Welcome
Monday 11 December – St Paul's Church (Next to school)	2.00pm Nativity Performance – Families welcome but limited seating as rest of school watching 3.15pm – 4.30 FOSP Pre Nativity Performance Event 5.00pm Nativity Performance (children back to school by 4.30pm)	Early Years and Key Stage 1 Classes – Wrens, Kingfishers, Finches and Sparrows. All Families Welcome
Tuesday 12 December – St Paul's Church (Next to school)	9.30am Nativity Performance	Early Years and Key Stage 1 Classes – Wrens, Kingfishers, Finches and Sparrows. Families Welcome
Wednesday 13 December	Whole School Trip to the Pantomime.	All classes
Thursday 21 December 9.30am	Crib Service in St Peter's Church	All classes, all welcome
Friday 22 December 1.30	Carols at the Alms Houses	All classes, all welcome
Friday 22 December 2.00pm	School Closes at 2.00pm for end of autumn term.	All classes

