



LOVE LEARN SHINE Shine in the light and love of God

Friday 22 March 2024

Dear Parents

I am pleased to write with this week's newsletter. This letter and previous versions can be found in the <u>letters section</u> of our website. We wish everyone a peaceful and relaxing holiday and look forward to welcoming the children back for the start of the summer term on Tuesday 9 April 2024.

Safeguarding, Welfare & Wellbeing

Safeguarding and Welfare will always be our very highest priority in helping us achieve our vision of <u>Love Learn Shine</u>. 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.

Holiday Support & Help

We very much hope all families have a peaceful and relaxing Easter holiday. We do know that sometimes holiday periods can be when difficulties arise.

If you have any worries about a child there is help and support available through the North Yorkshire Children's Partnership.

You can access information on the different support services available and how to access this support <u>here.</u>

NSPCC Listen Up, Speak Up Campaign

It takes a village to raise a child. And it takes a community to keep children safe. It is up to everyone to help keep children safe. With this in mind the NSPCC have launched their Listen up Speak Up campaign. This offers a free 10minute digital training session to help inform families adults what to do if you are ever worried about a child or their family.

This training takes only 10 minutes and is completely free to access. You can find out more including how to sign up <u>here.</u>









Important Diary Dates

The term dates for both 2023-2024 and 2024 -2025 are published on our website and can be accessed <u>here</u>. Please check when planning any holidays or appointments.

Date	Activity	Year Group(s)
	Easter Holiday	
Monday 8 April	INSET Staff Training Day – School closed to children.	All classes
Tuesday 9 April	School opens to families for the start of the summer term	All classes
Thursday 18 April 2.30pm	Owls Class Curriculum Showcase – Lower Hall	Families welcome
Thursday 25 April 2.30pm	Starlings Class Curriculum Showcase – Lower Hall	Families welcome
Thursday 2 May	Class photo day – all classes in full school uniform. Any classes with PE this day please bring PE kits for getting changed.	All classes
Thursday 2 May 2.30pm	Herons Class Curriculum Showcase – Lower Hall	Families welcome
Monday 6 May	May Day Bank Holiday – School closed.	All classes
Tuesday 7 – Wednesday 8 May	Year 4 residential Herd Farm	Year 4
Sunday 12 May	FOSP Junior Parkrun Takeover	All welcome – See FOSP section of newsletter
Monday 13 – Thursday 16 May	End of Key Stage Two SATS Assessments.	Year 6
	May Half Term Holiday	
Monday 3 – Friday 14 June	Year 4 children will undertake their multiplication check during this period	Year 4 children
Monday 10 – Friday 14 June	Year 1 children will undertake their phonics screening assessment one day during this week.	Year 1 children
Saturday 22 June 1.00pm – 3.00pm	FOSP Sumer Fare	All welcome
Wednesday 26 – Friday 28 June	Year 6 Residential to East Barrnby	Year 6
Monday 1 July – Friday 5 July	Prayer Spaces in School Event	All classes
Thursday 18 July 9.30am	Leavers Service St Peter's Church	Al classes and families welcome
Thursday 18 July 6.00pm – 8.00pm	FOSP end of Year Disco	All welcome
Friday 19 July – 2.00pm	School closed for end of summer term.	All classes
	Summer Holiday	

Shine Awards

Early Years and Key Stage One	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Wrens	Owls	Herons
Everyone!	Summer & Freya	Connie & Austin
Kingfishers	Starlings	Ravens
Finley & Oliver C	Luka & Sophie T	Hannah and Bo
Finches		Eagles
Octavia & Jude		Cormac & Finn
Sparrows		
Ralphie & Ty		

Whole School





Easter Bonnets and Decorated Eggs

We were 'egg-tremely' impressed with the wonderful Easter bonnets and decorated eggs that were produced this year. All the 'egg-tries' showed thought, care, creativity and imagination. It was clear to see how much hard work everyone had put in, well done and thank you to everyone who entered. Judging was incredibly difficult due to such a high standard. Many thanks to FOSP for providing prizes for every class.















Overdue Library Books from Harrogate Library

We are blessed to have an excellent working relationship with Harrogate library who regularly welcome classes to the library for visits during which the children can borrow books.

There are currently around 70 books borrowed via these visits that are overdue for return. Over Easter please have a good look around at home and return directly any overdue books. You do not need a library card to return these, just pop them on the desk in the children's section of the library. Thank you for helping us keep this relationship strong.

Collecting Bottle Tops

Children in KS1 will be undertaking some learning around mosaics next term. They are looking to create a mosaic using recycled materials and would very much appreciate our help in collecting plastic bottle tops to use in their work.

All colours, shapes and sizes are very gratefully received. They can be dropped at the school office or sent into school with your child. Thank you for your support.

Collective Worship - Easter Service

It was a pleasure to welcome so many families to our Easter Service on Thursday in St Peter's Church. Thank you for your support. As always, the children led a wonderful act of worship with readings, prayers and hymns. Through these they helped retell the Easter story considering the key messages of love and forgiveness. Both Key Stage choirs sang superbly also. Thank you and well done to everyone who took part.

There are a number of further services taking place at St Peter's Church over the Easter period with lots of family friendly services and activities. For more information including dates and times please visit the <u>St Peter's</u> <u>Church</u> website.







For more pictures from the service please visit the <u>News Section</u> of our website.

Curriculum & Extra-Curricular Spotlight

Lower Key Stage 2 PSHE

Children in lower Key Stage Two have been learning and thinking about keeping themselves and others safe in Personal Social and Health Education (PSHE) this week. They have thought about different types of health including physical and emotional. They have learnt about different actions they can take to keep themselves safe and well as what to do in an emergency, including who to call for help as well as some basic first aid skills.



PE Newsletter

We are pleased to have continued our close partnership with Sporting influence this term. They have visited twice a week throughout the spring term delivering both curriculum and extra-curricular provision. Mr Crooks has written a special PE and School Sport Newsletter which can be accessed <u>here</u>. We look forward to more sporting fun in the summer term when (weather permitting) classes will be accessing the Stray for some of the PE lessons and we will also host our usual summer Sports Day for the whole school.

Sporting Competition

We have enjoyed a busy sporting competition week this week with our partners at Sporting Influence taking part in two competitions. On Tuesday children from Yr3&4 took part in a football competition with seven other local schools on the pitches at Rossett High. They worked incredibly well as a team and came a very respectable fourth overall. Well done to Christy who received a wristband for determination and being an amazing team player.

On Wednesday children from across Key Stage Two attended the second week of para sports competition working with Sporting Influence and <u>Harrogate</u> <u>Hammerheads Wheel Chair Basketball Club</u>. They further developed their knowledge and skills of moving using the sports chairs while passing and travelling with the ball before playing a game at the end. Well done to Tom who received a wristband for encouragement.

Year 4 Residential Visit

Further to the letter earlier in the week to families with children in Year 4 we have now placed the full parent information presentation on our website. The slides containing all the information regarding this exciting opportunity for all children in year 4 can be found on the relevant class website pages and can also be accessed directly <u>here</u>.

FOSP News

FOSP Newsletter

The FOSP team have written a dedicated FOSP newsletter packed full of all FOSP related news. This can be accessed <u>here</u> on the FOSP page of the website. Please do take a look to read all about the many wonderful achievements this term and upcoming plans.



SPORTING INFLUENCE Improving Social Skills Through Sport

PE With Mr Crooks

This term Mr Crooks has continued to teach Owls, Starlings, Ravens, and Eagles, with all four classes developing their football skills. Throughout the first Spring term, the children were exploring technical ski such as dribbling, passing, and shooting, as well as ba control through kick up challenges.

All children then transferred these skills into small-sid matches, where the focus was on tactical skills. V focused on key formations used in football and he effective each position can be. All four classes low applying their skills and knowledge into the games.







Year 4 Residential



Herd Farm Parent Information Presentation



Sponsored Bounce

Many thanks to the FOSP team for helping to plan, organise and run the sponsored bounce that took place today. The children all had a wonderful time bouncing and raising funds for school.

Any final forms & sponsorship money can be handed to the school office in an envelope marked FAO FOSP. Please ensure you have clearly written your name & class on this form and/or on the envelope.

If you would rather pay directly into the FOSP account, you can do so using the following details:

St Peter's School PTA, Yorkshire Bank, Account Number 16916423, Sort Code 05-04-54. Thank you for your support. We will update you with the total raised next term.

Early Years Egg Hunt

Thank you to FOSP who supplied all the prizes for the decorated egg and bonnet competition as well as organising the annual Early Years egg hunt. Children from Wren's very much enjoyed hunting around the EY outdoor area searching for the eggs after school on Thursday.

FOSP AGM

FOSP will host their Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 17 April at 6.00pm at school. Everyone is welcome to attend to hear about the fantastic work undertaken in the previous year and contribute to ideas for the year ahead. We hope you are able to join us.







Community News

School Transport Consultation

North Yorkshire Council has commenced a consultation on proposed changes to the Council's Home to School Travel Policy. The necessary information can be found <u>here</u> along with an online survey form for families responses to the consultation and details of engagement events that will be held during the course of the consultation period.

The consultation closing date is Friday 12 April.

CONSULTATION





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Raising Self-Esteem Jane Keyworth gives a two-hour online talk Tuesday 26th March 7-9pm Book Online £24 facefamilyadvice.co.uk

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