



LOVE LEARN SHINE

Friday 11 October 2024

Dear Parents and carers,

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. As well as our weekly newsletter there is also plenty of school news shared throughout the week in the [News 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.

Coats

As we enter autumn, please make sure your child has a coat in school every day. We will always do our best to have breaks outdoors even if there is some light rain around, so it is important children have a coat.



Policy Updates

Following meetings of the Trust board the Local Governing Committee, the annual Child Protection Policy has now been updated for 2024-2025 considering the changes to Keeping Children Safe in Education 2024 (KCSIE). This policy along with all policies can be accessed via the [policies page](#) of our website.

At this time we would also draw families attention to the [Parent And Visitor Conduct Policy](#) which reminds us all how we should conduct ourselves around school.

Online Safety Session

Thank you to everyone who attended the online safety parent session earlier in the month. The session covered current trends, understanding and managing the risks associated with technology in particular online gaming, social media and live streaming.

For those who were unable to attend on the evening this session was recorded so it can be watched subsequently. The recording can be accessed [here](#).

Monthly Online Safety Newsletter

We are pleased to have published our monthly dedicated online safety newsletter which can be accessed via the [online safety page](#) of our website.

Child Protection Policy 2024-2025



St Peter's CE Primary School Child Protection Policy

Updated: September 2024

Headteacher: Mr Paul Griffiths

Named personnel with designated responsibility for Child Protection

Address site	Designated Safeguarding Lead	Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	Lead Safeguarding Teacher	Chair of Governors	Lead Safeguarding Governor
2024/25	Mr Paul Griffiths	Ms Emily Crowther & Mrs Alice Jones	Alicia Steer	Ms Linda Jeffrey	Ms Wilham Hooper

Online Safety Information Session

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Mobile phones: do you know the risks?

We know that children having access to a smartphone can expose children to risks including:

- Viewing inappropriate content
- Excessive screen time/use, which in turn can affect their mental health and sleep pattern.
- Contact from inappropriate people/grooming
- Cyberbullying
- Spending money on in-app purchases/scams



Diary Dates - All diary dates now shared on the Abro Parent Portal and Via the Arbor App.

The term dates for both and 2024 -2025 and 2025-2026 are published on our website and can be accessed [here](#). Please check when planning any holidays or appointments.

Date	Activity	Year Group(s)
Summer Holiday		
Tuesday 22 October	NCTEM Film Crew Filming Maths Lesson	Ravens
Thursday 24 October 6.00pm	FOSP Halloween Disco	All welcome
Friday 25 October morning	Flu Immunisations	All children opting in.
Friday 25 October 2.00pm	Tom Gordon MP visiting	Whole school
October Half Term Holiday		
Monday 4 November	INSET – Day. School closed to children.	All staff
Monday 11 November	Remembrance Day . Two minutes silence at 11.00am	All
Monday 11 November	'Bikeability' Cycle Training	Year 6 – Groups to be confirmed to children participating
Tuesday 12 November	Parent Consultations 3.30 – 5.10	All classes book appointment on Arbor.
Wednesday 13 November 3.15 – 5.15	FOSP KS2 Movie Night	All children in Years 3 – 6 welcome. A ticketed event. Look out for further details re purchasing a ticket.
Thursday 14 November	Parent Consultations 4.00pm – 6.30pm	All classes book appointment on Arbor.
Friday 15 November 	Children In Need – Non uniform (for donation) day and whole school cake sale	All classes.
Tuesday 19 November 1.30 – 4.15pm (approx.)	Year 6 to Watch Annie the Musical at St Aidan's School.	Year Six children.
Tuesday 19 November	Parent Consultations 4.00 – 6.30	All classes book appointment on Arbor.
Thursday 21 November	Parent Consultations 3.30 – 5.10	All classes book appointment on Arbor.
Week Beginning 2 December	NTS and Teacher Assessment Week	Yr2 - 6
Tuesday 3 December 4.00pm St Paul's Church	Advent Concert	All welcome
Saturday 7 December 12.00 – 2.00	FOSP Christmas Fare	All welcome
Tuesday 10 December	EY and KS1 Nativity Performance Dress Rehearsal – Whole School Watching.	Whole School. Parents welcome also if unable to attend either of other performances.
Wednesday 11 December 2.00pm	EY and KS1 Nativity Afternoon Performance	EY and KS1
Thursday 12 December 3.15 pm	FOSP – Pre Nativity-Fun session and Hot Dogs	EY and KS1
Thursday 12 December 5.00pm	EY and KS1 Nativity Evening Performance	EY and KS1
Friday 13 December 12.00	Whole School Pantomime Trip	Whole School
Thursday 19 December 9.30	Christmas Service in St Peter's Church	All classes
Friday 20 December 1.30pm	Carols at the Alms Houses.	All classes
Friday 20 December 2.00pm	School closes for Christmas Holiday	All classes
Christmas Holiday		

Shine Awards

Early Years and Key Stage One	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Wrens Zacharie & Max Kingfishers Finn & Phoebe Finches Morgan & Daisy Sparrows Octavia & Lyra	Owls Sam & Felix P Starlings Poppy & Tanya	Hérons Ibbie & Jessica Eagles Vera & Maddie Ravens Zach & Amelia

Whole School

Recruitment of Chair of Trustees for Yorkshire Causeway Schools Trust

St Peter's is proud to be a member of Yorkshire Causeway Schools Trust. After serving the Trust board since 2016 our Chair Alison Glover has informed the board of her intention to step down at the end of this academic year.

Please see the additional letter from our CEO Jane Goodwin and information pack about recruiting a new Chair. Any help and support parents can give with sharing this among their networks would be most welcome or if any parents are interested in this role please do get in touch with the Trust via the contact details in the main letter.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR-DESIGNATE
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Arbor Calendar

Thank you to everyone who is making use of the Arbor Parent App. We hope you are finding it helpful. If you need any help accessing it, please let us know by emailing admin@stpeters.ycst.co.uk or popping to see the office staff. We have now populated the Arbor Calendar with all the key dates for the term ahead and will continue to use the calendar as a means of sharing key dates with families. You can sync the Arbor calendar with your own electronic calendar by using the link [here](#).



Photo Consents

Thank you to everyone who has completed the updating of their photo permissions via the Arbor Parental Portal, this is a big help.

We are pleased to have been selected by Playscheme to feature in their updated catalogue both in print and online. They have commissioned a professional photographer to take photos of their installations including the Scramble Stax, outdoor classroom, library and The Nest. They would like these photos to include children using them. We have added an additional consent option on Arbor and would be most grateful if parents would complete this additional consent request for 'School Approved Third Party' photos. Even if you choose

ADDITIONAL PHOTO PERMISSION REQUEST



ACTION REQUIRED PLEASE. THANK YOU.

not to consent, we would most grateful if all families would respond either giving or declining their consent.

Uniform

If anyone has any old and/or spare school **trousers, skirts, t-shirts, polo shirts, leggings** etc. at home that are too small or that are to be donated please could they be donated to the Wrens class at school.

The stocks of old spare uniform that we have in school are mostly for older children and therefore for our smaller children we are limited on spares. We are looking for anything sized from any age up to about 6yrs.

Anything at all would be much appreciated.



Curriculum & Extra-Curricular Spotlight

Key Stage 2 Geography.

Children in Herons class have been comparing historical and modern maps of Harrogate – looking at how the town has grown and changed since the Victorian times. We noticed that Bilton and Starbeck were once separate villages but now are joined to Harrogate town.

We also recognised that the Stray is protected land, so it has not changed that much whereas other areas have been developed with new housing. There are many more map symbols now – mainly because many features we observe today were not around in the Victorian era.

Later, we plan on carrying out fieldwork in the streets around our school to investigate whether the old parts of Harrogate have remained the same or changed. We will gather data and make conclusions from what we find.



ST PETER'S SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL COUNCIL APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

Mrs Williams is very excited to be forming a Sustainable School Council here at St Peter's. The Sustainable School Council will be a group of children who represent their class in discussing issues with the school and teachers. Our school council will also be sustainable; we will be working towards the Eco Schools awards and looking at how to make our school more sustainable and

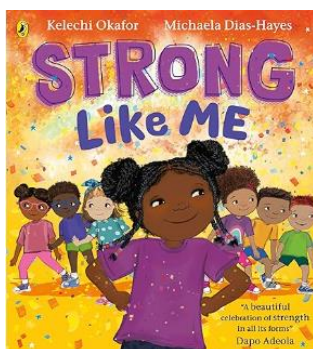


environmentally friendly. School council members will also help to make decisions about how the school is run and take on fun and exciting projects. Each class (in Years 2 to 6) will have 2 school councillors who will be announced after the half term holidays. To give all children a fair chance of being selected to represent their class, children will complete a short application form process. Application forms will be sent home by class teachers next week for those children who indicate an interest. Parents can scribe their child's application if this helps. To be considered for the role, please can the children return a completed application form to their class teacher no later than Thursday 24th October.



Collective Worship

As the half term progresses, we have continued to explore our theme of Thankfulness. This week and thinking of October as Black History Month we focused on giving thanks for the diversity and difference of people.



Children in Key Stage One enjoyed reading Kelechi Okafor's book Strong Like Me where they reflected on being thankful for the many different strengths of different people and thought about the many ways in which we can be strong.

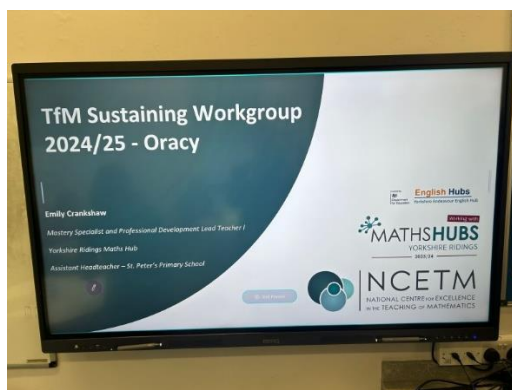


Children in Key Stage Two learnt about the life of acclaimed writer and poet Maya Angelou (1928 – 2014) who was one of the greatest writers of the 20th century. She is best known for 'Why The Caged Bird Sings', her vivid account of her childhood in the southern part of the USA. She was also a poet, dramatist, actor and activist for civil rights for African Americans.

We Are All Learners

This week we were delighted to have welcomed the first group of teachers to our initial TRG group of the year. Making use of our lovely new staff and training room the group enjoyed discussing the very important topic of oracy as well as observing our maths specialist Mrs Crankshaw.

We also enjoyed attending Trust wide training with colleagues from across the other primary schools in the Trust on Adaptive Teaching.



Parent Consultations – Save the Dates

Tuesday 12 November 3.30pm – 5.10pm
Thursday 14 November 4.00pm – 6.30pm

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Thursday 21 November 3.30pm – 5.10pm

Having listened to parental feedback all appointments will be in person. Booking will open shortly with appointments booked via Arbor so please make sure your account is up and running.



Sporting Competition

This week was the turn of our Key Stage Two girls to represent St Peter's in the Sporting Influence football competition series.

Mrs Oldfield took a team of 6 girls from years 3,4,5 and 6. They played several matches during the evening showing great resilience and were really supportive of each other showing superb teamwork. Well done girls.



FOSP News

Fantastic Fundraising Efforts

A huge thank you and well done to Rabinder for completing her sponsored walk again at the weekend, in support of the school. Rabinder raised a fantastic £265 which will be matched by Barclays totalling £530.

If you have yet to sponsor her, please visit this [link](#). Every little helps as Barclays match her pound for pound! Every penny raised goes towards events and equipment for your children. Thank you, Rabinder!!

FOSP Fundraising Recipe Book

FOSP is delighted to be getting your tastebuds tingling by creating a school recipe book this year. We would love your children to contribute a recipe to the cookbook.

It's really simple. Your child can create or choose a favourite recipe from home - a breakfast or snack, a starter, main or dessert, either healthy or a treat. They need to enter the ingredients, the method (in easy to follow steps) and then either take a photo of their finished dish, or draw a picture of what it looks like.

Children may submit a recipe individually or as a group (for example siblings who are all a huge fan of Grandma's secret pasta bake recipe can submit it together as long as Grandma is happy to share the

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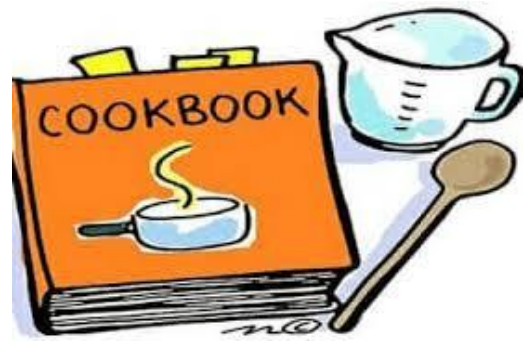
secret!) but there is only 1 child photo per page so make sure you send in a snap with all the siblings in it. All of this can be sent in to our St Peter's submission form online:

<https://saronti.com/StPtCEHg1>

Password: &tPtHg

If you are unable to submit your recipe online, don't be disheartened! Bring your recipe and picture plus your name, age, key stage and a photo or drawing of your child to the school office, and a member of the PTA or school can help you get it all online.

So that we can try to have the finished books returned to school in time for Christmas, the deadline for all submissions is Friday 18th October. Any questions or problems, please contact Anna Pywell.



Halloween Disco

FOSP are busy in the background preparing for the Halloween Disco.

This takes place –

Thursday 24 October from 6.00pm – 8.00pm

in the school hall. Everyone is welcome to attend, and entry is FREE.

A polite reminder that children MUST be accompanied and supervised by an adult throughout this event.



Pumpkin Carving Competition

FOSP have again kindly organised their annual pumpkin carving competition. There will be prizes for the best pumpkin from Early Years, Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. It is just £1 to enter with all processed going to FOSP funds. Pumpkins can be brought to school and placed on the front playground on Thursday 24 October. Please look out for the signs on the fence to ensure you place your pumpkin in the correct group. Please ensure all pumpkins are removed by the end of the school day on Friday 25 October.





THE LITTLE GYM CAMPS

FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-12 YEARS

Our next camps are in October Half-Term:
28th October – 3rd November

Scan below to learn more
or contact: 01423 701560
harrogate@thelittlegym.co.uk



"Life in all its fullness"

Year 7 Intake 2025 Open Day

Year 6 students and their families
are warmly invited to attend
our school Open Day

Saturday 12th Oct 2024
11.30-3.15pm

For further Information
and to book, please visit
www.staidans.co.uk



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