



**LOVE LEARN SHINE**

Friday 18 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 as we do not have staffing capacity for children without coats to remain inside.



### **Roblox – Safety Article**

Roblox is one of the most popular children's games in the world. Roblox allows users to create and play games together. It's a way to connect, in real time, with other people in a digital world.

As with all online games that allow users to connect virtually, there are risks. A recent [BBC News Article](#) explores and uncovers some of this risks which parents are likely to want to be aware of if their children play this game.



### **Jewellery**

We have sent an additional letter to accompany the newsletter this week to clarify our position on jewellery in school, particularly the wearing of earrings in school, in PE lessons and at sporting competitions. Please do take a moment to familiarise yourself with our position.



**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)
<b>Summer Holiday</b>		
Thursday 24 October 6.00pm	FOSP Halloween Disco	All welcome
Friday 25 October morning	Flu Immunisations – please complete the consent form from the NHS team sent via email.	All children opting in.
Friday 25 October 2.00pm	Tom Gordon MP visiting	Whole school
<b>October Half Term Holiday</b>		
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
<b>Christmas Holiday</b>		

## Shine Awards

Early Years and Key Stage One	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
<b>Wrens</b> Ben & Esmae <b>Kingfishers</b> Rosie & Stanley <b>Finches</b> Hetty & Yasmeen <b>Sparrows</b> Jacob & Rabia	<b>Owls</b> Florence & Elisabeta <b>Starlings</b> Charlie & Sophie	<b>Hérons</b> Sofia & Daniel <b>Ravens</b> Freddie & Bentley <b>Eagles</b> Jack & Liberty

## Whole School

### Flu Immunisations

A reminder that Vaccination UK will be coming to St Peter's school on **Friday 25th October** to administer flu vaccinations.



For your child to receive their Nasal flu vaccination in school, please click [here](#) and complete a YES consent form using the link below. If your child cannot have the Nasal spray, the injectable flu vaccine is available, and you will be able to choose that method on the consent form.



If you DO NOT wish for your child to have a flu vaccination, please complete a NO consent via the same link here.

Please note that it is not possible to administer a flu vaccination on the day if you have not completed a YES consent form. It is also not possible for us to take verbal consent on the day or follow up with families who have not completed the form.

Non completion of the form will be taken as not consenting and children will not receive the vaccine.



### Leave of Absence on Vaccination Day

In the past some families have raised concerns suggesting they need to keep their unvaccinated child out of school on the day of and sometimes in the days following the flu vaccination rollout, because of fears that the droplets of recently vaccinated children could be inhaled.

The nasal spray vaccine has a good safety record and unvaccinated contacts are not at risk of catching flu from the vaccine, either through being in the same room where the flu vaccine has been given or by being in contact with a recently vaccinated individual. Although vaccinated children are known to shed virus for a few days after vaccination, it is less able to spread from person to person than the natural infection. The amount of virus shed is normally below the levels needed to pass on infection to others and the virus does not survive for long outside of the body. This is in contrast to natural flu infection, which spreads easily during the flu season.

Excluding children from school during the period when the vaccine is being offered, or in the following days or weeks, **is not necessary and any absence on this ground would be unauthorised**. There is no evidence that healthy unvaccinated people can catch flu from the nasal flu spray (either from airborne spray droplets in the room where the vaccine is given, or from vaccinated individuals 'shedding' the virus).

### Pick Up and Drop Off Parking

We appreciate families having ongoing journeys after picking up and dropping off and are often working to tight timescales. While recognising this please can we politely remind everyone that we should all still park legally, considerately and thoughtfully to each other and our neighbours. Where they are in place please observe and park accordingly to the double yellow lines and the school markings.

All parents are entitled to collect a laminated parking permit which allows them to park on Victoria Avenue without needing to use the pay and display machines at pick up and drop off time. While recognising this is a short walk it is also a safe and legal way to park.



### 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 will be coming to do this next week on Tuesday 22 October 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 not to consent, we would most grateful if all families would respond either giving or declining their consent.

### ADDITIONAL PHOTO PERMISSION REQUEST



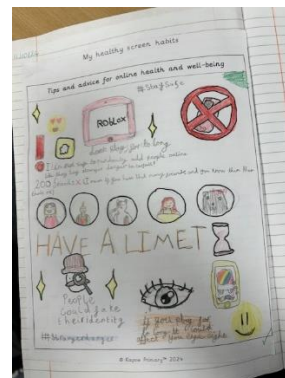
**ACTION REQUIRED PLEASE. THANK YOU.**

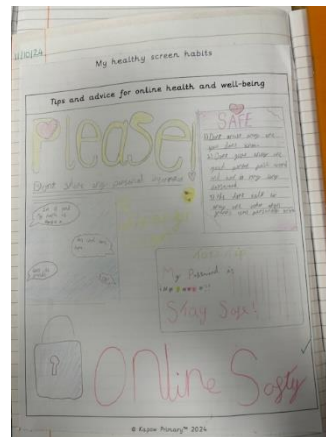
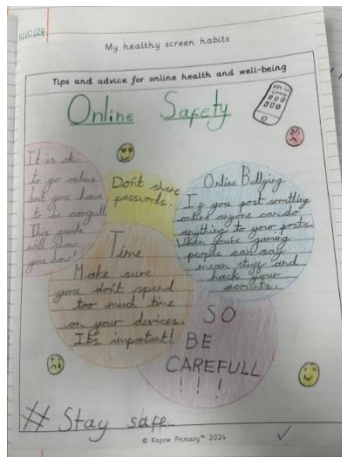
### Curriculum & Extra-Curricular Spotlight

#### Personal Social and Health Education (PSHE)

Children in upper Key Stage Two have recently completed some PSHE learning in relation to online safety learning about how to manage their online use and keep themselves safe in the online world.

They rounded off this learning producing some striking and thoughtful posters packed full of useful tips and advice that they have learned. Some of the final posters will be displayed around school including on our laptop trolleys.





### Creative Writing

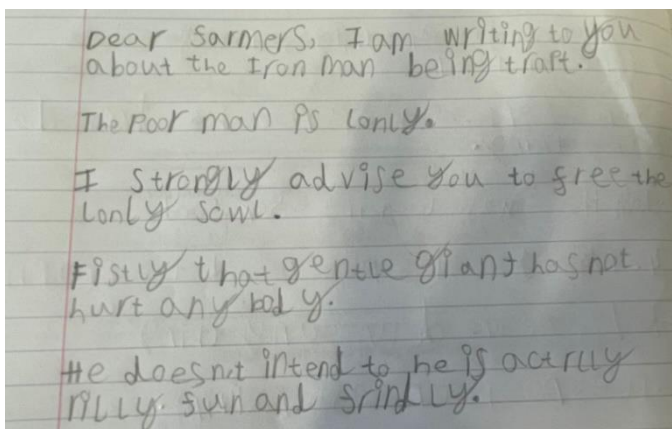
Children in upper Key Stage Two have produced some thoughtful and powerful creative writing pieces using the short film [‘The Piano’](#) as a stimulus.

They considered the feelings and emotions evoked by the film and developed ideas about the character playing the piano and his story. This led to some wonderful pieces of writing.



### Writer of the week

This week, Owls class have been writing persuasive letters to the farmers so they will free the iron man. Check out Lilly-Dot's incredible use of adverbs as well as some amazing adjectives to describe the iron man!



## 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 we have discussed giving thanks even when times are difficult and strategies when times are hard. We read the story of Paul and Silas who used music and singing to help them through a difficult time. It was also lovely to welcome Dr Garrow back into school to lead our Wednesday worship following his recent sabbatical.



### Parent Consultations – Save the Dates

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

**Tuesday 19 November 4.00pm – 6.30pm**  
**Thursday 21 November 3.30pm – 5.10pm**

Having listened to parental feedback all appointments will be in person. Booking will open on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 6pm with appointments booked via Arbor so please make sure your account is up and running.



### Busy Sporting Week

It has been a busy sporting week at St Peter's. As well as our range of weekly sports clubs for girls and boys of all ages the girls have been doing a fantastic job representing St Peter's in local competitions.

On Tuesday Year 5/6 girls played 'High 5 Netball' at Rossett high school against five other schools. The girls played really well encouraging each other and working well together as a team. The team came 3<sup>rd</sup>



overall and we are incredibly proud of all of them. Annabelle received a certificate for encouragement.

On Wednesday it was the turn of our second group of girls from across Key Stage Two to represent St Peter's in the Sporting Influence Wednesday football competition series at Harrogate High. They played well working hard for each other as a team.



### Lunch

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November will be a Sparkle Spectacular served at lunchtime.

The menu will be with a Bonfire Night theme.

Please see menu opposite for Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November only.



## FOSP News

### 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.

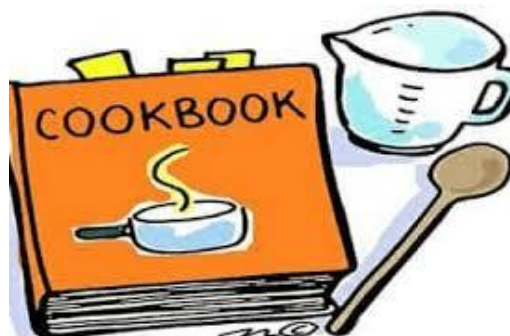
It's really simple. Your child can create or choose a favourite recipe from home - a breakfast or snack, a starter, main or dessert, either healthy or a treat. They need to enter the ingredients, the method (in easy to follow steps) and then either take a photo of their finished dish, or draw a picture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



## Community News



Come along and visit the Cafe at St Peter's Church this **Saturday 19th October 10am-4pm** - raising funds for St Peter's Rainbows and St Peter's Church. Delicious food served by some of your friends!



# Support for young people's Mental Health in North Yorkshire

There is national and local support available on the Go-To website, for parents, carers and professionals.

[www.thegoto.org.uk](http://www.thegoto.org.uk)




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For healthy minds in North Yorkshire



# Support for parent and carers

The Go-To provides advice for parents and carers, on how to support their young people when they are struggling with their mental health.

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Our formal Taster Day programme for girls considering joining College in Upper 3 in September 2025 or 2026 is a great way to find out more about the next school in your daughter's educational journey.

**Year 7 Taster Day for 2025 and 2026 Entry**  
Saturday 9 November  
9.30am - 1.30pm

- > Open to girls in Year 6 or Year 5
- > Experience a carousel of activities run by our teachers
- > Meet some potential classmates
- > Meet some teachers and form tutors
- > Get to know our facilities first hand
- > Try out our food (prepared on-site by our catering team)

To register visit [www.hlc.org.uk/taster-day](http://www.hlc.org.uk/taster-day) or email [events@hlc.org.uk](mailto:events@hlc.org.uk)

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09:00-12:00

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## **SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH MATHS!**

Does it baffle you trying to understand the way your child is taught maths in school? Then these online evening courses are for you!

**Supporting your child with Key Stage 2 Maths**  
**Mondays 11 November - 16 December, 6:30pm - 8:30pm**

Support your child to develop their maths skills in line with the current curriculum while improving your own maths ability. You will also explore tips and techniques to ensure that your child is fully prepared for their maths journey in Key Stage Two and beyond.

**Supporting your child with Year 6 Maths**  
**Mondays 24 February - 24 March, 6:30pm - 8:30pm**

With the return of year 6 SATs this year, this course will provide you with increased knowledge of SATs content and how you can support your child.

**For further information please phone and ask to speak with a Learner Engagement Officer**

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