



LOVE LEARN SHINE

Friday 14 February 2025

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.

Headlice

There have been cases of headlice reported in school. We encourage all families to check their children's hair and follow the advice on the [NHS website](#). Children should continue to attend school while they are being treated for any headlice found.



Fidget Toys Safety

We are pleased to provide, where necessary, a range of sensory equipment for children who may benefit from this. Please do not send children into school with any personal sensory equipment from home. In particular the recently popular magnetic pens which are made up of many magnetic small parts which could be easily swallowed.



Attendance Engagement Plans

We continue to work closely with families to ensure children attend school, including arriving on time every day. Working with colleagues across our trust we have developed wellbeing engagement plans to support children who may need some additional help to improve their attendance. Families can request this additional support of one of these plans by emailing admin@stpeters.ycst.co.uk or calling 01423 569684. We may on occasion contact families directly ourselves if we feel the support of one of these plans may be beneficial. A sample plan can be viewed in the dedicated attendance section of our website [here](#).

St Peter's CE Primary School - LOVE LEARN SHINE Education, Well-being & Engagement Plan		St. Peter's
Name:	DOB:	Form/Class:
Rationale and Background (Why do we need a plan, why now?) See attendance or learning and attendance or engagement plan and attendance or engagement plan and attendance or engagement plan		
Plan start date:	Current Attendance %:	Agreed date, time and location of next review:
Summary of any current provision & support:		
Links to other plans: [Link to other plan] - [Link to other plan] - [Link to other plan]		
Schools view - I would like you to know that:	This means that:	
Parent's view - I would like you to know that:	This means that:	

Shine Awards

Early Years and Key Stage One	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Wrens – Sumaya & Sakib Kingfishers – Sameeah & Stanley Sparrows – Riccardo & Jacob Finches – Liberty & Thomas	Owls – Viv & Nell Starlings – Charlie & Liliana	Herons – Daniel & Paige Ravens – Jessica & Alex Eagles – Harlow & Vera

Golden Light Switch Award

The Golden Light Switch award is presented each week to the class who have earned the most eco points throughout the week. Points can be earned every day by switching off the lights and smartboard when classrooms are not in use. The winning class will keep the trophy in their classroom for the whole week.



This week the Golden Light Switch Award goes to:
All classes who all got maximum Eco Points.
The trophy this week will be looked after by Herons Class

Diary Dates - All diary dates now on the Arbor Parent Portal.

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)
Monday 24 February	School reopens after half term.	All children
Tuesday 25 February	World Thinking Day – Children who are members can come to school in the guiding (rainbows, guides, ventures) or scouting (squirrels, cub, scouts) uniforms.	All children
Wednesday 26 and Thursday 27 February	Starlings Parent Consultations timings to follow	Starlings – Sign up via Arbor.
Tuesday 4 March 3.15pm	Shrove Tuesday – Pancake Sale and Races	All welcome.
Tuesday 4 March	Parent consultations timings to follow.	All classes (except Starlings) – Sign up via Arbor.
Thursday 6 March	Parent consultations timings to follow.	All classes (except Starlings) – Sign up via Arbor.
Thursday 6 March	World Book Day	All classes
Tuesday 11 March	Parent consultations timings to follow.	All classes (except Starlings) – Sign up via Arbor.
Tuesday 11 – Friday 14 March	Prayer Spaces Project in School	Key Stage Two classes
Thursday 13 March	Parent consultations timings to follow.	All classes (except Starlings) – Sign up via Arbor.
Monday 17 – Friday 21 March	Climate Education Week	Various curriculum activities across the week for all classes.
Wednesday 19 March	Eco Group Harlow Carr Visit	Members of Eco Council
Monday 24 March 1.30 – 3.15	Early Years Stay and Play	Children and Parents in Wrens.
Thursday 27 March	Trust external advisor visit to school	All classes
Thursday 3 April 9.30 St Peter's Church	Easter Service.	All classes.
Thursday 3 April 2pm	FOSP AGM – Meeting Room at School	All parents welcome
Friday 4 April – During the day	Bunny Bounce – Sponsored Bounce	All classes
Friday 4 April 3.15pm	School closes for the Easter Holiday	All classes.
Easter Holiday		

General News

World Book Day Costume Swap Shop

As part of our climate education focus, we would like to hold a World Book Day Costume Swap Shop at St Peter's.

Do you have a pre-loved World Book Day Costume at home that the children have outgrown/don't want to wear again? Would you like to donate it to the swap shop? If so, please give the costume to your child to bring into school between Monday 24th February to Wednesday 26th February. Your child will hand the costume into their class teacher. For every costume donated, the class teacher will give your child a Golden Ticket (exactly like the Christmas jumper swap). The children can then use their Golden Ticket to buy a new costume. There is a maximum donation of one costume per child.



The swap shop will take place on Friday 28th February at 12.20 to 12.45 in Eagles classroom.

If there is nothing in their size, the children could buy a costume for a friend, sibling or family member.

Please ensure costumes are clean and in good used condition. Thank you.

World Thinking Day – Tuesday 25 February 2025

Celebrated since 1926, World Thinking Day is a day of international friendship. It is an opportunity to celebrate the Girl Guiding and Scouting Movements, speak out on issues that affect young people and fundraise for 10.8 million Girl Guides and Girl Scouts in 153 countries. We are pleased to stand alongside all our children who are part of these groups and support them by encouraging them to wear their guiding or scouting uniforms to school on this day.



Join Our Catering Team

Our Catering providers, Aspens are recruiting! We are pleased to share the details including how to apply below.

- Catering Assistant
- 20 Hours per week over 5 days.
- £11.44 per hour
- Term time only
- As a Catering Assistant you will support the team in basic food preparation and provide excellent service to both students and staff.

For more information and to apply, please visit [Join Grow Thrive Jobs](#) - Catering Assistant

Aspens



Have Your Say.

As part of Yorkshire Causeway Schools Trust, we are committed to ensuring that every parent and carer feels engaged and heard. Your feedback is vital in helping us to continue to provide the best possible experience for our children.

You are therefore invited to participate in our parent/carers survey as your chance to share thoughts and experiences and which will play a



significant role in shaping the future direction of our school and trust. The survey covers important topics such as curriculum, safeguarding, behaviour and attitudes, SEN provision, pupil premium and parental engagement.

Your responses will remain anonymous and will help us to identify areas for improvement and celebrate what we're doing well. We encourage you to be open and honest in your feedback, as your input is invaluable to our continuous improvement.

The survey will be available from Thursday 30th January to Thursday 13th February, and you can access it via the link [here](#).

Have Your Say



Lost Unnamed Lunchboxes

All unnamed lunchboxes & water bottles left behind are emptied and placed in the boxes on the table under the bike shelter. As you can see there are a large number. Please help us reduce this by naming your child's lunch box & bottles which means it can be returned directly to them. Thank you.



Curriculum & Extra-Curricular Spotlight

Stay and Play – Save the Date

The Wren's Early Years team are excited to be planning a Stay and Play Session for parents of children in Wrens for next half term.

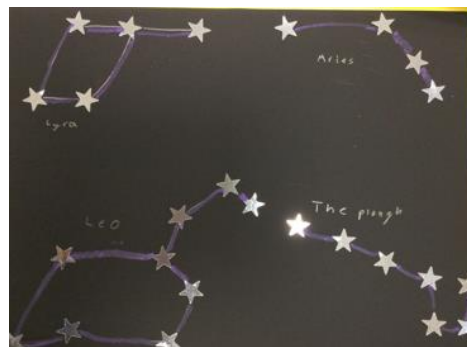
The Easter theme Stay and Play session will take place on Monday 24 March 2025 from 1.30pm – 3.15pm.

During this session parents, carers or family members are welcome to come along and join their children in the various provisions in our Early Years unit both indoor and outdoor. Families are welcome for all or part of the session. We hope the advanced notice gives families the chance to arrange someone to attend from each family. If you have any questions regarding this, please do speak to Mrs Renton or Miss Ward.



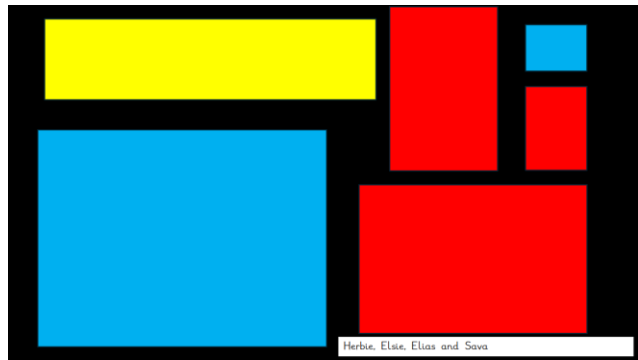
Space Science in Key Stage One

On Monday, the children in Sparrows and Finches had their final science lesson about space. The children learnt all about the movement of the earth in space and its orbit around the sun. They also learnt that our sun is actually a star and that lots of other stars make up constellations we can see in the nights sky. They spent some time mapping the constellations and then labelling them. ✨🌟☀️



Key Stage One Art- Digital Mondrian

Children in Key Stage One have been studying Mondrian in Art. Earlier in the term they produced some Mondrian style collages developing their cutting skills and consideration of shape and pattern. This week they have developed some digital Mondrian style pictures. The children really enjoyed using Power Point to produce their digital versions of the ideas they had created on paper previously.



Lower Key Stage Two DT & History

Children in Lower Key Stage Two have been linking their prior historical learning around castles with their design and technology work looking at different types and styles of three-dimensional models. Thank you to everyone who has sent in boxes to help with the modelling part of this work which they have all enjoyed very much.



Collective Worship

This half term in our worship we have enjoyed exploring the theme of perseverance. This week we explored the idea of encouraging others to persevere. We looked at how this can be achieved with our words and actions as well as the impact on those giving and receiving encouragement. We have been finding ways in our classrooms and our play to encourage each other.





Please Help

As you can see from the list (opposite) FOSP run many events for children and families. To ensure all these events can run, help is needed. There are always FOSP members who can guide and support for those helping for the first time.

If you are able to spare some time and lend a hand please get in touch with your class rep via your class WhatsApp group or via the [FOSP Facebook Page](#) or email fosp2015@yahoo.co.uk

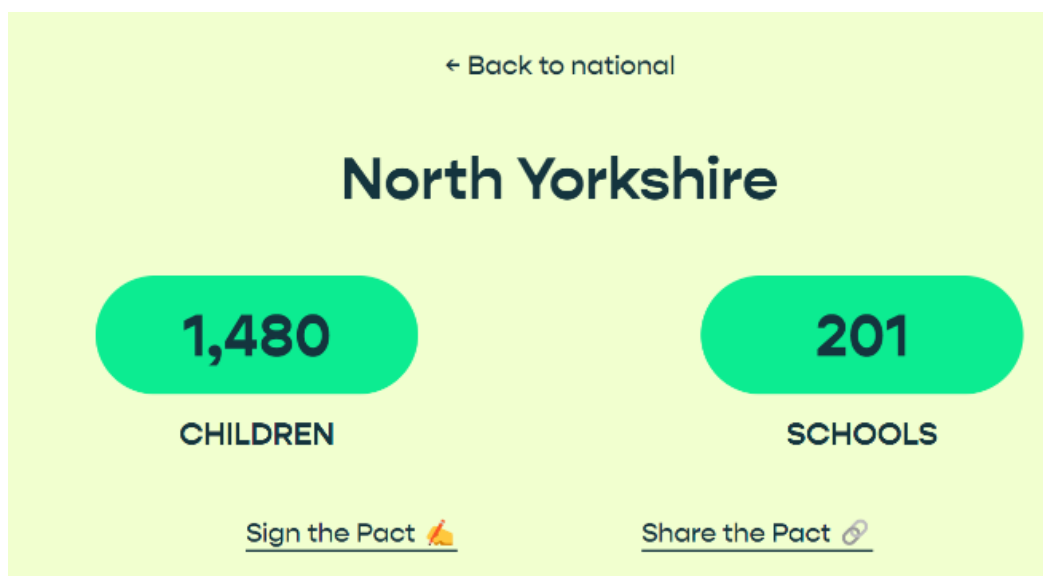
FOSP Planned Events – Help Needed for All.

- Fish and Chip Quiz
- Pancake stall and races
- EY Easter Egg Hunt
- Easter decorated Egg and Bonnett competition
- Mothering Sunday Gift Stall
- Sponsored Bounce (Bunny Bounce)
- Strawberry Tea
- Junior Parkrun Takeover
- Summer Fare
- Leavers Disco

Community News



[Smartphone Free Childhood Parent Pact](#)



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SCHOOL NAME	FACTS
Pannal Primary School, Pannal[7] ↗	174
Monk Fryston CE Primary School, Monk Fryston[7] ↗	68
Poppleton Ousebank Primary School, Upper Poppleton ↗	62
Oatlands Community Junior School, Harrogate[7] ↗	58
Brackenfield School, Harrogate[28] ↗	53
Scarcroft Primary School, South Bank ↗	45
Oatlands Infant School, Harrogate[7] ↗	43
Harrogate Ladies' College, Harrogate[28] ↗	41
Embsay CE Primary School, Embsay[4] ↗	40
St Peter's School, Clifton ↗	40
St Peter's CE Primary School, Harrogate[8] ↗	38
St Mary's RC Primary School, Knaresborough[10] ↗	36

Parents who wish to support the campaign and sign the pact can do so via the link [here](#).

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.

www.thegoto.org.uk

The Go-To
For healthy minds in North Yorkshire

NHS

QR code with 'SCAN ME' button.

Getting it right for children

When parents are separating or separated, children can often get caught in the middle.

Getting it right for children is a free online course designed to help you parent co-operatively. It can help you to develop positive communication skills, so that you can sort out disagreements and find solutions together.

You will learn:

- How to stay calm and listen as well as talk.
- Why it's helpful to see things from a different point of view.
- What to do to stop a discussion from turning into an argument.
- Skills for finding solutions and making compromises.

To access the course, you will need a smartphone, tablet, or computer, and a good internet connection. It's FREE to use, so you'll just need to create an account with a username and password.

Register at this address
www.oneplusone.org.uk/parent-resources-for-england
or scan the QR code

- *Getting it right for children* is designed for separating or separated parents who want to reduce conflict and communicate better with their child's other parent.
- The course is online so you can go through it at your own pace.
- You can do it all in one go but it's often best to spread it over a few weeks to give yourself time to reflect and practise the skills.

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Text overlay: An online course for separating parents to help manage conflict and minimise the impact on children

AMAZING HALF TERM ACTIVITIES FOR BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5-13

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FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

8AM-5:30PM, OPEN EVERY DAY OF HALF TERM!!

15% JANUARY SALE DISCOUNT!!!
USE THE 15% DISCOUNT CODE ON ANY 2025 HOLIDAY CLUB!
HEAD OVER TO OUR WEBSITE, SELECT YOUR COURSE AND DATES -
ENTER THE CODE "15%" INTO THE DISCOUNT CODE BOX!!

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- HARROGATE LADIES COLLEGE

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Novices: Wednesday - 17:00-19:00, Silsden Primary
Friday - 17:00-19:00, Silsden Primary
Saturday - 9:30-12:30, Climbing Hub/Ilkley
Saturday - 11:30-13:30 or 13:45-15:45, Ermysted's
Sunday - 9:30-11:30 or 11:45-13:45, Ermysted's

Advanced: Saturday - 9:30-12:30, Ilkley/Climbing Hub
Ages: 11-16 (Silsden) 8-14 (Ermysted's) 8-17 (The Climbing Hub)

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HOLIDAY ROCK CLIMBING

Our holiday climbing sessions are an ideal way for kids to get out and enjoy the great outdoors during the holidays. With activities including climbing, abseiling and weaselling, it is an action-packed day.

Just a packed lunch and old clothes for climbing, scrambling, crawling and squirming amongst the rocks and we'll provide the rest.

£55.00, or £102.50 for siblings (7-16 years old)

The Climbing Hub, Bradford: 18th, 19th or 20th February
The Big Depot, Leeds: 17th February
Times: 10:00am-4:00pm
Childcare Vouchers accepted for The Climbing Hub

Book online or contact us via email
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FEB HALF TERM CAMP



- BOROUGHBIDGE HIGH SCHOOL
- TUESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY
- AGES 4 TO 6YRS – 10AM TIL 12PM
- AGES 7 TO 14YRS – 10AM TIL 3PM
- £10 MORNING / £25 DAY

Sign up for a day of netball this half term. Prizes
up for grabs & certificates for all.
Get your trainers  & join us!

