



St. Peter's
Church of England Primary School

LOVE LEARN SHINE

Friday 4 April 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.

Monthly Online Safety Newsletter

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



Puberty Support for Families.

Every child will develop in their own way. During their teenage years most children will go through puberty, start to have different feelings, form different types of relationships. As a parent, it can feel uncomfortable to think about this and to know how to help. The [Lucy Faithful Foundation](#) has a range of support articles and information to help parents navigate this part of parenthood.



Holiday Support & Help

We wish all families 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 support services [here](#).

Children and families might be worried about spending time with your family, money or having to cope with your feelings. Or they might be worried about getting hurt or feeling unsafe.

[Childline](#) are open and available to support throughout term time and holiday periods including public holidays. Whether children or families want to speak to a counsellor or talk to other young people on the message boards, they can always be honest with Childline about what things are like.



Worried About a Child?



Awards

Shine Awards

Early Years and Key Stage One	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Wrens - All Wrens Class for their singing in church Kingfishers – Herbie & Sava Sparrows – Kit & Lylah Finches - Faye & Jaxx	Owls – Yeva & Duncan Starlings – Dellen & Sebastian	Hérons – Ibbie & Anna Ravens – Flora & Ava Eagles – Miles & Maddie

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 the **EAGLES 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)
Easter Holiday		
Monday 21 April	Bank Holiday Monday – School Closed	All classes
Tuesday 22 April	School Reopens for the start of the summer term	All Classes
Friday 25 April	Closing Date for Governor Nominations	Open nominations see letter .
Monday 5 May	May Bank Holiday – School Closed	All classes
Tuesday 6 – Wednesday 7 May	Year 4 Herd Farm Residential	Year 4 children from Owls, Starlings and Herons.
Monday 12 – Thursday 15 May	End of Key Stage Two (Year 6) SATS Week	Year 6 children from Ravens and Eagles
Friday 23 May	Zero Carbon Walk to School Day – Walking Bus 8.15am West Park Stray	All children and family members welcome.
Friday 23 May	School closes for half term	All classes
May Half Term		
Monday 2 June	School re opens	All classes
Monday 2 June – Friday 13 June	National Multiplication Check window	Children in Year 4.
Thursday 5 June	Class photos and Year 6 Photo	All classes – full school uniform please.
Monday 9 Friday 13 June	Phonics Screening Week	Children in Year 1
Wednesday 11 June 2.00pm	Strawberry Tea Music Concert	Families welcome
Thursday 19 June	First Aid Awareness Sessions from Sporting Influence	Year 6 children
Monday 23 June 2.00pm	Year 6 Production Dress Rehearsal	Year 6
Tuesday 24 June afternoon	Year 6 Crucial Crew Visit	Year 6 Children
Tuesday 24 June 6.00pm	Year 6 Production Evening Performance	Year 6 children and families welcome

Wednesday 25 June 6.00pm	Year 6 Production Evening Performance	Year 6 children and families welcome
Thursday 26 June	Mr Smit External Adviser Visit	All classes
Friday 27 June	Zero Carbon Walk to School Day – Walking Bus 8.15am West Park Stray	All children and family members welcome.
Saturday 28 June 1.00 – 3.00pm	FOSP Summer Fare at School	All welcome
Sunday 29 June 9.00am	FOSP Junior Parkrun – Valley Gardens	All welcome
Monday 1 July	Year 6 Transition Day St Aidan's	Year 6 children moving to St Aidan's in September
Tuesday 1 – Friday 4 July	East Barnby Residential	Year 6
Tuesday 8 – Thursday 10 July	Year 6 Transition Days HGS	Year 6 children moving to HGS in September
Wednesdays 9 – Thursday 10 July	Year 6 Transition Days Rossett High	Year 6 children moving to Rossett High in September
Friday 11 July	End of Year reports sent to parents	All classes
Thursday 17 April 9.30am St Peter's Church	Leavers Service	All classes and families welcome.
Thursday 17 April 12.00 – 1.00	Year 6 Pizza and Ice Cream Van	Year 6
Thursday 17 April 6.00pm – 8.00pm	End of Year Disco	All welcome
Friday 18 July	School closed for end of summer term	All classes
Summer Holiday		

General News

Summer Term PE

We are looking forward to continuing working with Mr Crooks from Sporting Influence next term to support our PE lessons. All classes will access the Stray for PE on Tuesdays (weather permitting) starting from the second Tuesday back (Tuesday 30 April 2025). Early Years and Key Stage One will have their lessons on a Tuesday afternoon from approximately 1.15 – 2.30. If any parents are able to come and support with walking to and from the Stray, we would be most grateful of the extra adults. If you are able to help out weekly or on an ad hoc basis we would love to hear from you. Please email admin@stpeters.ycst.co.uk to let us know.



Climate Education & Eco Group Newsletter

We are pleased to have shared our Spring term Climate education newsletter alongside the main newsletter this week. Please do have a look at all the updates from Mrs Williams our Climate Education lead in this dedicated termly newsletter.



Governor Vacancy

There will be a vacancy on our governing board from September 2025. Please see the [additional letter](#) regarding this. As you will see from the letter the vacancy is for a Local/Academy governor meaning it could be a parent but could also be someone from our wider community.

Where you are able, please do share this around your professional and community networks as we seek to continue to have the widest range of representation on our governing board as possible.



Summer Term Clubs

All the extra curricular clubs are now live and either on Arbor or available to book direct with the organiser.

Some clubs are full, however there are still spaces on others.

The Monday Sporting Influence club is open to reception children, therefore please use the following link if you wish to book a place.

Monday: <https://sporting-influence.classforkids.io/info/29>

Any club fees/payments are all on ParentPay and do need to be paid in full by Sunday 13 April 2025.

If anyone would like to book children onto any of the clubs but finding it financially difficult, please do speak to the office who can offer support options.



Curriculum & Extra-Curricular Spotlight

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Para Sports

Children from across our Key Stage Two classes enjoyed a second week of para sports with the team from Sporting Influence. The children had the opportunity to work with the Harrogate Hammers wheelchair basketball team as well as try out Boccia.



They really enjoyed trying out these less traditional games and events and represented themselves and school superbly. Well done to all.

For more pictures please visit the [News Section](#) of our Website.

Collective Worship

It was lovely to see St Peter's Church full this week with our whole school supported by so many family members for our Easter Worship. The children led a lovely service with readings, songs and prayers to help reflect on this special time of year in the Christian calendar. Thank you to everyone who joined to support us.

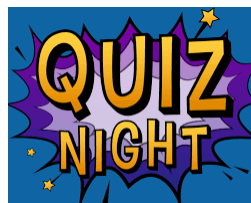
If you enjoyed spending time at St Peter's Church there are many other services coming up over Holy Week and Easter. Families are very welcome to attend and can find out more details on the dates and times of services [here](#).



Sunday 13 th April <i>Palm Sunday</i>	During our services today palm crosses are blessed, and given out to commemorate Christ's entry into Jerusalem
Tuesday 15 th April	12:00 pm Healing Service
Wednesday 16 th April	7:00 pm Performance of Bach St Matthew Passion with St Peter's Choir, Vocals, guest singers and an orchestra
Thursday 17 th April <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	11:00 am Holy Communion 7:30 pm Choral Communion commemorating the Last Supper with St Peter's Choir
Friday 18 th April <i>Good Friday</i>	9:00 am – 2:00 pm St Peter's Good Friday Prayer Walk 10:00 am Good Friday Family Service with craft activities 11:00 - 11:30 am Netmakers Good Friday Service – join with local churches for a short service at the Cenotaph 2:00 pm An Hour before the Cross – meditations and music on the crucifixion of Christ with St Peter's Choir.
Sunday 20 th April <i>Easter Day</i>	<i>Please bring a flower to add to the Easter Flowering cross</i> 8:30 am Holy Communion (BCP) 9:30 am Family Communion 11:00 am Choral Communion (BCP) 6:30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Quiz Night

It was lovely to see some many parents and friends enjoying our annual quiz night this week. A big thank you to our quiz writer and host Rob who did a fantastic job and thank you to FOSP for planning this event and organising the midpoint Fish and Chip supper which was enjoyed by all.



Easter Competitions & Events

Many thanks to FOSP who have organised the following a range of events in this final week of term including the Easter bonnet competition and sponsored Bunny Bounce. The children have very much enjoyed taking part in these special events. We are pleased to share a selection of the wonderful bonnet entries below. As always, the standard was very high, and judging was tricky. Thank you and well done to all who took part.



The Winners of the Easter Bonnet Competition are:	And the Runners up are:
Early Years – Olivia C	Early Years – Lily
KS1 – Octavia	KS1 - Bobby
KS2 - Tabitha	KS2 – Henry H
Well done to all!	



Smartphone Free Childhood Parent Pact

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] ↗	61
Brackenfield School, Harrogate[28] ↗	53
St Peter's CE Primary School, Harrogate[8] ↗	47
Scarcroft Primary School, South Bank ↗	45
Oatlands Infant School, Harrogate[7] ↗	43
Harrogate Ladies' College, Harrogate[28] ↗	41
St Peter's School, Clifton ↗	41
Embsay CE Primary School, Embsay[4] ↗	40
St Mary's RC Primary School, Knaresborough[10] ↗	36
Rossett Acre Primary School, Harrogate[7] ↗	25
Lothersdale Primary School, Lothersdale[5] ↗	24
Scotton Lingerfield Community Primary School, Scotton[9] ↗	24

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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




Easter

Art4Kids
Workshops to Inspire the Young!
Age 7-13

Brigate Art Studio
Knaresborough

Information
TEL: Fiona on **07931 778276**
or chameleonartclasses@gmail.com



Chameleon Creative Arts
Mon, Wed, Fri, 10-12



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THE GREAT KNARESBOROUGH BUNNY HUNT

5TH - 21ST APRIL

THE BUNNIES ARE BACK! BUY YOUR NEW SUPERSIZE MAP FOR £5 FROM -
BUNNY HQ ON BUTTER LANE OR THE KIOSK @ CONYNGHAM HALL

FIND THE BUNNIES, ENJOY THIS YEAR'S TWIST. FILL IN YOUR FORM & HAND THEM BACK IN TO RECEIVE A SWEET TREAT & STICKER.

A WINNER WILL ALSO BE DRAWN EACH DAY & RECEIVE A PRIZE DONATED BY LOCAL BUSINESSES.

ALL PROFITS THIS YEAR WILL GO TO
 ANDY'S MAN CLUB,
 SAINT MICHAEL'S HOSPICE
 AND THE KINGFISHER KIOSK.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
 THE GREAT KNARESBOROUGH BUNNY HUNT
 FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM PAGES OR GO TO
 WWW.GREATKNARESBOROUGHBUNNYHUNT.CO.UK

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



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HARROGATE LIBRARY'S

EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

TRANSPORT TRIUMPHS - £2 PER FAMILY
 MON 7TH APRIL, 10AM-11:15AM

Test your skills and take on our challenges by designing your own aeroplane, rocket and car using different materials and techniques. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL** via the Library. Families

MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY - FREE
 WED 9TH APRIL, 10-12PM & 2-4PM

Come and enjoy a movie at the library with our brand new screen. Morning and relaxed afternoon screenings. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL** via the library. Ages 4+

EASTER PLAYDOUGH WORKSHOP - £2 PER FAMILY
 TUES 15TH APRIL, 2-3PM

Get creative and make 3 Easter themed items, play egg-citing games, and more at this library event. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL** via the library. Ages 4+

MINECRAFT JUNK MODELLING WORKSHOP - FREE
 WED 16TH APRIL DROP IN 10-12PM

Join us any time between 10am and 12pm to turn everyday junk into a selection of your very own Minecraft treasures. **DROP IN.** Ages 3+

harrogate.library@northyorks.gov.uk
 Tel 01609 536658



£18 or £65
 per day or per week

Easter Holiday Activity Camp
 Monday 14th-Thursday 17th April
 9.30am-3.30pm
 at Saltergate Primary School

For boys & girls aged 5-11

Free Places Available
 Harrogate Town AFC Community Foundation is again proud to be linking up with Feast, North Yorkshire to provide free activities for those eligible for free school meals.

If your child is eligible for means tested free school meals, you can claim your free place by emailing us your unique code. We will then provide you with a 100% discount code to enter when booking.

No unique code?
 To request your code, please email hello@northyorkshiretogether.com

To book your place please visit:
<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/harrogatetownafc>

For more information including on free places available please email lynseybarraclough@harrogatetownafc.com

North Yorkshire Together Department for Education

*Wrap around option available from 8:30am and until 4:30pm at additional charge of £5 per session

HTAFC
IN THE COMMUNITY

GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL SESSIONS!

Wild CATS
GIRLS' FOOTBALL

The perfect way for girls aged 5-11 to get involved with football

£2.50
PER SESSION

Make Friends

Every Tuesday from 22/04/2025.
To book your place, scan the QR code or follow the link below:
<https://book.EnglandFootball.com/Book/3d6212e9-de9b-42c4-86b9-5abeb32618bf?venue=harrogatetowncio>

Cycling Training for Young Riders

Harrogate Nova Cycling Club are running a series of weekly youth training sessions on Tuesday evenings at the Harrogate Army Foundation College Hildebrand Barracks car park (just off Pennypot Lane).

The sessions start on April 22 and run through to July 8. There is a break over half term and the summer holidays and then some final sessions in early autumn. All sessions are run by fully qualified [British Cycling](#) coaches. To cater for different abilities and ages there are two groups:

Group 1: entry level/younger riders (minimum age: 6). Tuesday evenings: 18.00-18.30. £50 for 16 sessions (plus £11 Harrogate Nova membership fee)

Group 2: more experienced riders (typically age: 8+). Tuesday evenings: 18.30-19.15. £80 for 16 sessions (plus £11 Harrogate Nova membership fee)

If you are interested in the sessions and would like further information or would like to go along and attend a free trial session, please complete the 'Contact Us' enquiry form on the Harrogate Nova website:

<https://www.harrogatenova.cc/youth-coaching>