

Friday 20 June 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 <u>letters section</u> of our website. As well as our weekly newsletter there is also plenty of school news shared throughout the week in the <u>News Section</u> of our website.

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.

Safety Drills

As required by health and safety expectations we conduct termly safety drills including fire and lockdown drills. These will take place next week. The children are now well rehearsed in responding to these drills which include calmly and quietly exiting the building when the fire alarms sound and congregating at the meeting point at the front of school. Lock down drills involve entering the school calmly and quickly, then remaining in classrooms with doors and windows closed and the blinds down. Children are given appropriate notice of these drills and what is expected of them as well as reassurance that they are drills and not a real emergency. If you have any questions not answered above, please do get in touch via admin@stpeters.ycst.co.uk or by calling 01423 569684.

Nut Aware

A polite reminder that we are a nut and seed allergy aware school. As we allow snacks and packed lunches from home we are unable to state we are nut and seed free. We are however aware and ensure all our school meals and snack schemes (free fruit EY and KS1) do not contain nuts. We politely remind families to please avoid sending any snacks from home that contain nuts.







Awards

Shine Awards

Early Years and	Year 3/4	Year 5/6
Key Stage One		
Wrens – All of Wrens for their first	Owls – Nell & George R	Herons – Emmeleia & Charlie
sports day & Noah	Starlings – George G & Rosie	Ravens – Jemima & Zach
Kingfishers – Phoebe & Sava		Eagles – Mia & Connie
Sparrows – Jacob & Octavia		
Finches – Matvii & Faye		

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: **EY & KS1:** Finches / **KS2:** Starlings



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 <u>here.</u> Please check when planning any holidays or appointments.

Date	Activity	Year Group(s)
	May Half Term	
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
Thursday 26 June 3.45 – 5.15	Open Classrooms Event	All classes all parents and children welcome to come and look at work from the year.
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 30 June	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 July 9.30am St Peter's Church	Leavers Service	All classes and families welcome.
Thursday 17 July 12.00 – 1.00	Year 6 Pizza and Ice Cream Van	Year 6
Thursday 17 July 6.00pm – 8.00pm	End of Year Disco	All welcome
Friday 18 July 2.00pm	School closed for end of summer term	All classes
	Summer Holiday	



General News

Stationery from Home 2025-2026

Please see the additional letter accompanying the newsletter this week regarding children bringing stationery in from home from September 2025 onwards. We hope that by providing sufficient notice well in advance of next academic year we can implement these adjustments smoothly and without issue or concern. Please do take a moment to familiarise yourself with the content of this additional letter. Thank you.



Open Classrooms

We hope to see as many families as possible on **Thursday 26 June** as classrooms will be fully open from 3.45 – 5.15pm. Children's books will be available for viewing and teachers will be present to talk with parents about the successes of the year and answer any questions about the following year, as well as chatting through tips and ideas to help children prepare for the following year group. No booking is required simply make your way to your child's class any time between 3.45 and 5.15pm on Thursday 26 June. Children are welcome and encouraged to attend this with parents to share and talk through the work in their books.





Curriculum & Extra-Curricular Spotlight

Eco Group Visit Valley Gardens

At the end of last week, we were delighted to celebrate and share the shine of one of our children who won one of the Harrogate in Bloom competition categories last year. To celebrate, Tabitha and the children from our Eco group visited Valley Gardens to see the winning design brought to life in one of the colourful beds right at the main entrance to Valley Gardens as well as meet the gardening team who had turned the design into reality. The Eco group took note of the different plants and ideas to bring back to school to use as inspiration for the planters on our new shelter that will be planted in the coming weeks.

A huge well done to Tabitha for her success and the inspiration it has given to others.

Sports Day

We were delighted to host our annual sports day this week. In glorious sunshine on the Stray the whole school took part in an action-packed morning of sporting activity. Despite the warm temperatures all the children gave 100% running, jumping and throwing their way through a host of challenges and races. A big thank you to Mrs Renton and Mr Crooks from Sporting Influence for setting up and running a fabulous morning. Thank you also to FOSP for the much-needed refreshments halfway through the morning.

At the end of the morning, we were delighted to present our Craven Cup award. This award recognises children from Year Six who have shared their sporting shine throughout their time at St Peter's representing the school in curriculum and extra-curricular sporting activities supporting others. This year the award went to Ryan and Jessica. Both children have been actively involved in a range of sports and activities within and beyond school during their time at St Peter's. Both are great role models in terms of how they conduct themselves in a host of different sporting activities. They have both represented the school over several years and have actively contributed to school life through their roles in our 'playsquad'. They are both deserving winners of this award.

Year 6 First Aid Sessions

We were delighted to welcome Ellie from the Sporting Influence Foundation into school this week to work with our Year 6 children on their mini medics first aid awareness training.

As our Year 6 children prepare for transition to secondary school and with greater independence it is a great time to raise their awareness of basic first aid strategies and techniques that one day might help save a life.







For more pictures check out the news section of our website.





Walk to School Events

We were delighted that Harrogate Town mascot Harry Gator joined us for our last walk to school walking bus event. Thank you to Harry and to everyone who joined our walking bus.

The next walk to school day is next **Friday 27 June** where we will once again hold our walking bus from West Park Stray up to school. If you fancy a stroll with friends and staff, please meet on the Stray at 8.15am.

Collective Worship

As we continue the final half term of the year we are pleased to be continuing to explore our theme for the half term which is exploring the value of Truth and Truthfulness. This week we explored the temptation to tell a lie to gain an advantage. The children discussed and reflected on how sometimes this might work but how people might feel when this happens including feeling guilty or that we might have let ourselves down.





FOSP

Junior Parkrun

After a successful first take-over last year, St Peter's are doing another take-over of Harrogate Junior Park Run on Sunday 29th June. We would love to see as many children come take part in the run or to help volunteer. What is the Harrogate junior parkrun? The junior parkrun is a free, weekly, fun, and friendly 2km event for young people between the ages of 4 and 14. The Harrogate run is a 2-lap course around Valley Gardens.



https://www.parkrun.org.uk/harrogate-juniors/

Starting point - The Magnesia Well Café, The Valley Gardens, Harrogate, HG1 2SZ.

Parkrun organise a warmup before the run at 8:50. Then run will start at 9am and lasts for approximately 10-20 minutes, depending on your pace.

There will be adult marshals all around the course and a tail walker (so that no one will finish last). Whatever the pace, your child can run or walk the course. You can run or walk the course with your child - if you can keep up!

We are asking everyone to get sponsored for taking part in the run to raise money for school. Please sponsor via the JustGiving

page https://www.justgiving.com/stpetersharrogatepta









If you don't wish to do this, you are still very welcome to come and take part just for fun.

To get a tracked time from parkrun, you will need to register your child beforehand which is a simple online form to complete. This will allow them to take part and provide you with an email or text with their run time.

https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/

It would be great to get parents to fill some of the marshalling and volunteering roles.

The different roles are:

- · 16 course marshals
- · 2 timekeepers
- · 2 finish funnel managers
- · 2 handing out finish tokens
- 4 barcode scanners
- · Tail walker
- Helping course set up
- · Helping course clear up

If you can help with any of these roles, please email harrogatejuniors@parkrun.com



Community News









A "More In Common Group" has been set up in Harrogate and Knaresborough as part of the Jo Cox Foundation.

We believe like Jo that:

'We have more in common than that which divides us.'

We are part of



Our Great Get Together event is:

A Family Fun Day

Saturday June 21st 1 - 5pm

United Reform Church, West Park, Harrogate HGI 1BL

Open to all with free entry to Choir, Folk Music, Ukcleles, Circus Skills, Banner-making, Dancing, Crafts, Calis and so much mosc....

(No dogs inside except Assistance Dogs)











Small sided matches, football based games, ball mastery work, skill development activities, plenty of fun!





Mon Jul 21st Weds July 23rd Mon August 4th Weds August 6th Mon August 11th

Training & GK Camp Training Camp Training & GK Camp Training Camp Training & GK Camp Weds August 13th Training Camp

Costs:

1 x day £27 2 x days £50 3 x days £75 4x days £96 5x days £120 6 x days £138

Location:

More information:

info@futurelioness.co.uk

Knaresborough Celtic FC Thistle Hill, Knaresborough.

Times:

9am - 3pm







CREATIVE WRITING FOR WELLBEING

These brilliant sessions will really help us find an outlet to vent / reflect / relieve stress

and be with likeminded people in our areas!

10am - 12pm, Tuesday 24th June and 1st & 8th July.

To book your FREE place, click your location link below:

Area: Location:

Knaresborough Library <u>Harrogate</u> **Richmond** Community Library

<u>Selby</u> Selby North Children's Centre

<u>Scarborough</u> Library

Skipton Carers Resource

Refreshments, pens and notepads will be provided, but feel fre to bring your own fully charged device if preferred.



