



St. Peter's

Church of England Primary School

Love Learn Shine

Friday 11 July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to write with this week's newsletter. Thank you for making the time to read this information each week as it is a key part of our communication with you. This will be the final newsletter of the academic year. We would like to wish everyone a relaxing and restful summer break. We will keep families updated with events from the final week of term via the [news section](#) of our website. This letter and previous versions can be found in the [letters 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.

Parental Controls Booklet

Through our partnership with Knowsley City, we are pleased to share our updated 'Parental Controls' booklet. This guide provides helpful current tips and advice on activating and setting parental controls on a range of devices including tablets, laptops, phones and games consoles. This helpful guidance can be accessed [here](#) in the dedicated online safety section of our website.



Holiday Support & Help

We wish all families a peaceful and relaxing Summer 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 – Bowie & Monty Kingfishers – Charlotte & Kayleigh Sparrows – Sylvia & Isabelle S Finches – Bobby & Yasmeen	Owls – Felix P & Summer M Starlings – Ralphie & Tyler	Hérons – Lola & Xyla Ravens – Noah A & Ava TH Eagles – Belle & Wilf

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: Kingfishers **KS2:** Herons



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

The term dates for both 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)
May Half Term		
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		
Monday 1 st September	INSET Training Day - School closed to children.	All classes
Tuesday 2 September – 8.45am	School open for the start of the autumn term.	All classes
Monday 8 September	Individual School Photos – Full school uniform please	All classes
Tuesday 16 September - 6.00pm	Phonics Information Evening, Parent Social & Children's Story Night	Early Years and Key Stage 1 classes children and parents – Wrens, Kingfishers, Sparrows.
Friday 24 October	INSET Training Day - School closed to children.	All classes
October Half Term		
Monday 3 November	School opens for start of second half of the autumn term.	
Tuesday 11 – Friday 14 November	Year 6 Residential Beverley Park	Year 6 children
Friday 19 December 1.15pm	Carols at the Alms Houses	All classes families welcome
Friday 19 December 2.00pm	School closed for Christmas Holidays	All classes
Christmas		

Term Dates

We are pleased to have published term dates including INSET days for the next two academic years on our website. We hope this advance notice gives plenty of time for families to plan ahead, thus contributing to all children achieving great attendance. Please try to avoid booking any appointments, trips, visits, or holidays during term time.

North Yorkshire Council

School term dates 2025-2026 Academic year

	AUGUST 2025	SEPTEMBER 2025	OCTOBER 2025	NOVEMBER 2025	DECEMBER 2025	JANUARY 2026
Monday	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Thursday	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	8 15 22 29
Friday	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	9 16 23 30
Saturday	9 16 23 30	10 17 24 31	11 18 25	8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	10 17 24 31
Sunday	10 17 24 31	11 18 25	12 19 26	9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	11 18 25

	FEBRUARY 2026	MARCH 2026	APRIL 2026	MAY 2026	JUNE 2026	JULY 2026
Monday	2 9 16 23	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	5 12 19 26	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Tuesday	3 10 17 24	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	6 13 20 27	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Wednesday	4 11 18 25	4 11 18 25	8 15 22 29	7 14 21 28	3 10 17 24	8 15 22 29
Thursday	5 12 19 26	5 12 19 26	9 16 23 30	8 15 22 29	4 11 18 25	9 16 23 30
Friday	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27	10 17 24	9 16 23 30	5 12 19 26	10 17 24 31
Saturday	7 14 21 28	7 14 21 28	11 18 25	10 17 24	6 13 20 27	11 18 25
Sunday	8 15 22	8 15 22	12 19 26	11 18 25	7 14 21 28	12 19 26

Autumn	40	75
Spring	35	105
Summer	25	65
	100	



These term dates are for Community and Voluntary Controlled schools in North Yorkshire Council. Three recommended professional development (PD) days for teaching staff have been identified. Schools can identify a PD day when the school will be closed to pupils.

North Yorkshire Council School Holiday and Term Dates 2026 - 2027 - Final

	AUGUST 2026	SEPTEMBER 2026	OCTOBER 2026	NOVEMBER 2026	DECEMBER 2026	JANUARY 2027
Monday	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Tuesday	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
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Bank Holiday	35
School Holiday	25
PD Days	25
	39
	36
	195

The number of term days shown is 195. Up to five of these will be used as professional development (PD) days for teaching staff, pupils will not attend these days. Three PD days have been set by the Council and the other two PD days can be determined by the individual schools, and schools should inform parents accordingly. Please also notify the Council of the two additional PD days via email to schoolwellfare@northyorks.gov.uk.

[Link to - 2025-2026 Full Calendar](#)

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General News

Children's Workbooks & Assessments

On Wednesday and Thursday next week children will come home with some or all of their workbooks from the year. For children in Year 1, 3 and 5 this will only be some of their books as they will take other books through to the following year group. If children could bring a strong carrier bag to school on Wednesday this would be of help for them in carrying books at the end of the day. Children will also bring home copies of their summer term assessments. These have helped to inform the teacher judgements in their end of year school report. These will be sent in a sealed envelope. These will give families an idea of the style and type of questions children are assessed on.

Prayer spaces

Following on from the success of our whole school prayers spaces event earlier in the year we are delighted to be, once again, working with staff and volunteers from St Peter's and St Paul's churches to run a special one-off prayer space event for our children in Year 6. This will take place in small groups in St Paul's church during Tuesday next week. There will also be an opportunity between 3.00pm – 3.30pm for parents from any age group in school to visit the space should they wish to see the activities the children will have had access to or simply take a moment for themselves within their day to reflect. The spaces can be accessed through the side door of St Paul's church (next to school).



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Last Day of Term

We are pleased to provide information regarding the final day of the school year which will be Friday 18 July.

School will finish at 2.00pm with Year 6 exiting in their usual red-carpet fashion to the front of school. Please ensure children have someone to collect them at 2.00pm or they are booked into Funclub

Shirt signing: Children in Year 6 may bring a spare school shirt to have signed. This must be a spare shirt in addition to the shirt they are wearing on the day.

The unnamed lunchboxes and water bottles around the side of school under the bike shelter will all be disposed of after the final day. Please check this if you are missing any lunchboxes or water bottles.



First Week Back

We will write to all families on Monday 1 September with details of the first day back for children, which is Tuesday 2 September.

Physical Education (PE) lessons will start in week two of term so children should wear full school uniform throughout the first week. We will write to families at the end of the first week to inform them of PE and swimming days during the autumn.

We enclose some details in the items below which parents may find helpful to have advanced notices and reminders regarding.

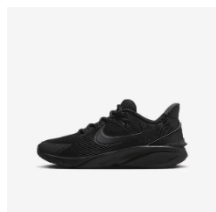


PE Footwear

In recent weeks we have noticed an increasing number of colourful trainers being worn on PE days and sometimes on non-PE Days. We appreciate occasionally towards the end of term children have grown out of school shoes and families are waiting until the summer to purchase new for September. On this basis we will allow a degree of leniency with this over the final week of term. We would like to politely remind everyone however ahead of September that children should wear black trainers only on PE days. In September we would expect this to be the case for all children without exception. Please bear this in mind when making purchases of new PE trainers. Black school shoes should be worn on all other days.

Yes Please

No Thank You



Stationery from Home 2025-2026

Please see the additional letter sent out recently regarding children bringing stationery 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.



Sharing Our Shine

Shining at Dance World Cup

We are delighted to share the shine of Sylvia in Sparrows who recently attended the Dance World Cup in Spain. Sylvia dances with Freedom Performing Arts group in Knaresborough and was part of two teams who travelled to Burgos in Spain to compete against 5,000 dancers from 65 countries in this year's Dance World Cup.

The Freedom Performing Arts team for children aged six-to-nine emerged with a bronze medal after an incredible display for their Mini Large Group Showstopper.

On behalf of everyone at St Peter's we would like to say a huge well done to Sylvia and the team for their success.

You can read more about the success of the whole squad in this article [here](#).



Curriculum & Extra-Curricular Spotlight

Food Technology

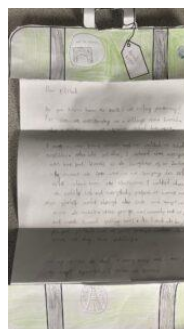
Owls really enjoyed the start of their DT project. They tasted biscuits and commented on taste, texture and appearance. They also looked at the packaging and reviewed the target audience. We then watched a model of how to make and bake a plain biscuit and next week we will be designing packaging and creating our own tasty biscuits.



For more pictures, please take a look at the [news section](#) of our website.

Creative Writing

Children in Herons have been completing a creative unit inspired by Judith Kerr's 'When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit'. This semi-autobiographical classic, written by the beloved Judith Kerr, tells the story of a Jewish family escaping Germany in the days before the Second World War. They took on the role of the main character Anna, and wrote a letter recounting her first day at her new school in Switzerland. In their letters the children managed to get across Anna's feelings and opinions as well as providing a snapshot as to what life was like for this family pre-WW2. The children have really enjoyed the book and have produced some brilliant pieces of writing. They have also presented them creatively in fold out old-fashioned travel trunks.



Come Dine with Us.

This week, as part of our DT/food technology, Eagles and Ravens created an array of fabulous pepper and cream cheese starters. The children were simply given the ingredients and brief (bake off style) then challenged to use their creativity and foodie flair to make a starter! Once the dishes were complete, our special guest judges (including Mr Griffiths and Mrs Jones) scored each dish based on taste, texture, appearance and creativity. We look forward to cooking the main (chicken pasta bake – with veggie option) and a pineapple desert later in the week! The children enjoyed preparing the starters.

'I liked that we could be creative,' Layla from Year 6

'We enjoyed the freedom: it felt like you could do anything with it!,' Oliver Year 6

'I liked how you could cook and plan it without a grown up,' Florence Year 5

'I loved the experience of working with my team and my friends,' Grace Year 5



For more pictures of this event please have a look in the [news section](#) of our website.

Young Leaders award Community Action

We were delighted to take our second group of Young Leaders to complete their community action support this week in partnership with St Peter's Church. Four more of our fantastic Young Leaders went to support at the church market day café helping guests with their orders and clearing tables. The children interacted beautifully with all the guests chatting about school life and their learning from the Young Leaders Award.



Collective Worship

We very much hope families can join us in St Peter's Church on Thursday next week for our final shared worship of the school year. During this worship we will celebrate our Year Six leavers bidding them a fond farewell. If any families can support with walking the whole school down to church, we would be most grateful. If you are able to do this, please meet on the front playground at 9.05am. Thank you.



FOSP

End of Year Disco

We are grateful to the FOSP team who have arranged our traditional end of year disco. All children and families are welcome at this event which will take place on Thursday 17 July 6.00 – 8.00 at school. This event is free to enter. Please remember that children must be supervised at all times by parents and that parents must remain on site for the duration of the event while their children attend.





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SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP

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Pool Road
LS21 1DY

Boys and Girls
5-13 years of age

Monday-Friday
21st July-1st August

9:30am-4pm

Early drop off-8:30am
Late pick up-4:30pm

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Endless fun ✓

Exciting games ✓

Amazing memories ✓

Top quality coaching!!! ✓



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Children's Photography Competition

North Yorkshire Nature

Take a photo of something from the natural world around you - it could be an animal, river, plant, tree, insect, or a great view - and your picture could feature on a limited edition library card

For children aged 7 - 11
Email entries to: libraries@northyorks.gov.uk
Closing date: Saturday 13 September

Story Garden **Summer Reading Challenge** **THE READING AGENCY** **NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL**



RIPON MUSEUMS

This Summer at Ripon Museums

Ripon Museums are bursting with hands-on history and creative fun for all the family across our three sites from baking Victorian treats to crafting magistrate wigs.

There's something happening every day to spark imaginations with special storytelling sessions, craft challenges and the new **Get To Work!** family trail.

It's the perfect time to discover and explore Ripon's rich heritage in a fun interactive way

Follow the story of the poor and lawless through our three museums which are all within walking distance of each other in the heart of Ripon

Workhouse Museum & Garden Prison & Police Museum Courthouse Museum

For more info, check out www.riponmuseums.co.uk



ST HELEN'S RD YARD SALE AND FUN DAY

SATURDAY 12TH JULY
12:30 - 3:30PM
ST HELEN'S ROAD, HG2 8LB

Lots of stalls plus a tombola and refreshments

- Raffle
- Book Stall
- Bric-a-brac
- Homemade Lemonade
- Cakes
- Tombola
- Plant Stand
- Hook-a-Duck games and more

Raising funds for **YORKSHIRE AIR AMBULANCE** **HELP**

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ALL VENUES

YORK
 ARCHBISHOP HOLGATE'S SECONDARY (E S)
 CORMANTHORPE PRIMARY (E)
 HEADLANDS PRIMARY (E)
 HUNTINGTON SECONDARY (E F)
 MANOR SECONDARY (E F)

EASINGWOLD
 OUTWOOD ACADEMY SECONDARY (E)

HARROGATE & KNARESBOROUGH
 ASPIN PARK ACADEMY (E)
 HARROGATE LADIES' COLLEGE (E S)
 ROSSETT SPORTS CENTRE (E F)

WAKEFIELD
 QUEEN ELIZABETH GRAMMAR SCHOOL (QEGS) (E S)

LEEDS
 BRAMHOPE PRIMARY SCHOOL (E)

EAST YORKSHIRE
 POCKLINGTON SCHOOL (E F S)
 TRANBY (E)

KIPPAX
 BRIGSHAW HIGH SCHOOL (E F)

**FLEXIBLE BOOKING OPTIONS,
 CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED,
 OFSTED REGISTERED**

**OPEN ALL SUMMER
 AGES 5-11 FROM 8AM-5:30PM,
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**DBS CHECKED COACHING STAFF
 AGE SPECIFIC GROUPS
 TRAINED, FUN & PASSIONATE COACHES**

**BOOK INDIVIDUAL DAYS OR FULL
 WEEKS, INSURANCE OPTIONS INCASE
 YOUR PLANS CHANGE**

**LOCAL FAMILIES CHOOSE TOTAL SPORTS
 EVERY SCHOOL HOLIDAY, CHECK OUR 5+
 GOOGLE REVIEWS!!**

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 SPORTS CENTRE
 OR
 HARROGATE
 LADIES' COLLEGE**



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ARTY | CRAFTY | SPORTY | ADVENTURE | FUN
 HOLIDAY CLUBS FOR 5-11 YEAR OLDS.
 OPEN 8AM-5:30PM EVERY DAY OF SUMMER!!

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 F - FOOTBALL CAMP
 S - SWIMMING DAYS

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 FLAG...THE CHOICE IS YOURS!! CHILDREN IN SPECIFIC AGE GROUPS, LED BY
 QUALIFIED, PASSIONATE, DBS CHECKED COACHES!!!**

SWIMMING RUNNING ON SET DAYS AT SET VENUES - CHECK OUR WEBSITE!!

**SPECIAL THEME DAYS & WEEKS WITH TEAM TUESDAYS,
 WET WEDNESDAYS, PARTY THURSDAYS,
 SCIENCE WEEKS, MUSIC WEEKS &
 MUCH MUCH MORE!!**

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE
 TO SEE WHEN OUR
 WOW EQUIPMENT
 IS AT YOUR
 VENUE!!**

**DID YOU KNOW??
 TOTAL SPORTS WORKS IN OVER
 45 SCHOOLS EVERY WEEK,
 DELIVERING PE TO 10,000+
 CHILDREN!!**




FOOTBALL CAMPS!!

**OUR DEDICATED FOOTBALL CAMPS WILL ALSO RUN AT SET VENUES,
 YOUR CHILDREN WILL LOVE THEIR FOOTBALL DAYS WITH OUR FA
 QUALIFIED COACHES- SEE VENUE KEY ON BACK**

**OUR FOOTBALL CAMPS ARE PERFECT FOR CHILDREN OF ALL ABILITIES
 AND CLUBS, WITH A VARIETY OF SKILLS & DRILLS, CHALLENGES,
 GAMES AND PLENTY OF TOURNAMENTS!!**

**DEDICATED FOOTBALL CAMPS FOR FOOTBALL MAD CHILDREN
 RUNNING THROUGHOUT SUMMER**

FOOTBALL TIMINGS & DAYS DIFFER TO ENERGY- PLEASE SEE WEBSITE

TIMINGS & IMPORTANT INFO!

- STANDARD DAY - 9AM- 4PM
- EXTENDED MORNING - 8AM - 9AM
- EXTENDED EVENING - 4PM - 5:30PM

**CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED, INSURANCE OPTION
 AVAILABLE. BOOK SINGLE DAYS OR FULL WEEKS!!**





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