

# St. Peter's Academy Newsletter 12th September 2025

## Headteacher's message



#### Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been great to see the children enjoying being back at school for their first full week. There has been a very positive and purposeful atmosphere around school and the new children and staff have settled into life at St Peter's very smoothly. We have already had visits from our trust and an external literacy specialist so have 'hit the ground running' with our school improvement priorities this year.

The class teachers have been busy planning and organising the curriculum for their classes and I enjoyed attending the first two curriculum meetings held this week. These will continue next week and do try to attend if possible.

Our school value this term is 'Generosity', focusing this week on treating others as we would like to be treated. The children had a church assembly with Revd Jason as well as Rev Si visiting the school.

Hope you have a great weekend,

Gordon Nunn

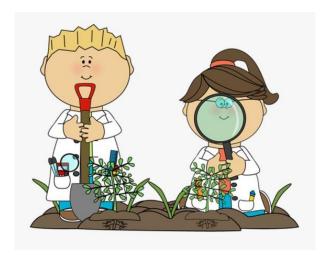
Headteacher

## **Explorer Class**



The Explorer Class staff have been delighted with the positive start their new class has made in their first week. The children have settled well into the daily routines and it has been lovely to see the Year 6 buddies supporting the new reception children so well at play and lunch time. Well done to them all!

# **Discovery Class**



Discovery Class have had a fantastic first couple of weeks, very settled and earning lots of Dojo points. The children have been introduced to the curriculum subjects and are showing

great enthusiasm for learning! Miss Flude looks forward to meeting you next week at the curriculum meeting. Well done everyone!

# Voyager Class



Voyager class have had a fabulous start to Year 2. The children have settled really well and have shown excellent behaviours for learning, gaining an impressive number of Dojo points between them. They are showing that they are ready for Year 2 and are going to be the role models as the oldest children in Key Stage One. Well done to all.

# **Odyssey Class**



We have had a really exciting start to term in Odyssey Class! We have earned lots of Dojos and even hit our first 200 whole class Dojos!

We are super lucky that outdoor learning begins today (more on this in the next newsletter!) and Simon from Corsham Windband is coming in every Tuesday to teach us the trumpet. Our first session was great fun and it was brilliant to see everyone engaged.

On Tuesday 4th, we also enjoyed taking part in St Peter's Church 24 hours of prayer and planted daffodil bulbs as part of this.

And congratulations to our newly appointed class representatives for COSPA (Jude and Sophie), Worship Council (Parker and Joy) and Walk to School Ambassadors (Bobby and Emilia).

#### **Navigator Class**



Navigator have settled into the new school year. They have been earning lots of dojo points to earn their class reward. We have started our Science Topic this week and have been investigating whether gas has a mass. There was much excitement as Mrs l'Anson shook the fizzy bottle and opened the lid.

The children are also very excited about the opportunity to make different types of slime for their home learning this term.

#### Pioneer Class



Pioneer have had a fantastic start to Year 5 as they have settled back into the routine of learning. We have been busy learning about different states of matter in Science, exploring soluble and insoluble substances and how some changes may be reversible or irreversible. The children have enjoyed getting stuck in to our English writing where they have explored the narrative and deeper meanings behind 'Varmints'. We will soon be diving into the world of UK trade, understanding how our national grid works and where we get our renewable/non-renewable power from.

#### **Endeavour Class**



Endeavour have settled brilliantly into Year 6. We have been busy learning about the different leadership roles that will be available to us in Year 6 and writing applications for the roles which take our interest. We have received lots of applications and will announce the roles as soon as possible. This week we also met our buddies and enjoyed exploring and

playing with them. We have got stuck in to our new topics, some highlights include - exploring 'Extreme Earth' in Geography, investigating how light travels in Science, and creating our own versions of The Great Wave in Art.

Next week we will be continuing out Art and Design project on product design and packaging - **please could everyone bring in a piece of cardboard packaging**. This could be from their favourite food or a food from home which they simply like the packaging of.

A great first whole week!

## Baby news



Mrs Leonard has given birth to a healthy baby boy on 31st July. Welcome to the world Harley!!!

#### Would you be interested in joining FOSPA?

FOSPA will be having their AGM meeting in school Thursday 18th September at 7.30pm.

If you would be interested in supporting FOSPA by volunteering at events, helping to fundraise to support projects or even to take on a role; please do join us at this meeting, where we can give you some more information.

Alternatively drop us a message via email or facebook.

We look forward to welcoming so new faces to the team.

Thank you



FOSPA want to hear from you!

What do you think FOSPA should be spending the money we fundraise on?

Share your thoughts in this very short form. <a href="https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/YtvGUNMn6E">https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/YtvGUNMn6E</a>

FOSPA are always looking for extra pairs of hands, if you would like to find out more, please complete your name and contact details at the end of the form and someone will be in contact in September. **Our annual AGM, 7.30pm on Thursday 18th September in the school hall.** Please come along to find out more about how you can help support the school.

Team FOSPA

#### Free School Meals



Please find attached an application form for Free School Meals. Even if you are unsure whether you or your family qualify, please fill it out, and Surrey County Council will process the data. If you do not qualify, they will not communicate this to us and will destroy all data. If you do qualify, your child will receive free school lunches, including lunch on school trips, and you will receive supermarket vouchers during the half-term, all the way through secondary school. As Blue Kite Trust moved providers for these services, if you qualified in the past, your information has NOT been transferred to the new provider, and we advise you to fill in the attached form. There are printed forms available in the school office



# St Peter's C of E Academy



Giving children the keys to unlock their future

Join us for our school open day! And walk in on

Saturday 15th November 10 am—12 pm

St Peter's Academy - Lords Mead Chippenham—SN14 oLL

Have a look at our website for more school information st-peters.wilts.sch.uk









Unable to attend our open day?

Contact us on o1249 653 537 or

admin@stpeters.bluekitetrust.org

to book a tour of the school on a

Tuesday morning.

#### After school and half term In2Sport club

Thursday after-school club is Multi sport term 1 £21.00

Friday after-school club is Gymnastics term 1 £21.00

Book your space on ParentPay

The half term Holiday club will be here

@ St Peter's C of E Academy, SN14 OLL Dates: 23rd – 31st October 2025

**Football - Dodgeball - Basketball - Hockey - Handball - Tag Rugby - Cricket - Tennis** plus many more!

Time: 9am - 3pm Cost: £28.00 (early bird price of £26 until 17/09) Clothing: Sports clothes & trainers

Additional hours available from 8am - 4pm @ £5.50 per hour

Items to pack: packed lunch (no nuts), water bottle, hat, sun cream, jacket





## Update your contact details and permission form



At the start of the academic year, we always like to review the contact details, allergies, and permission forms. Please use this link to answer some questions.https://forms.office.com/e/tnNftWV08E

## St Peter's Wrap Around Care



Breakfast Club starts at 7:45 am, Monday - Friday

After-school club (Session 1) finishes at 4:15 pm, Monday - Friday

After-school club (Session 2) finishes at 5.30 pm, Monday - Thursday (no 2nd session on Fridays)

#### The costs are:-

- Breakfast Club £6 per session
- After School Club session 1 £5.50 per session
- After School Club session 2 £7.50 per session

You can book your places on ParentPay - Leading Cashless Payment System for Schools

We accept child care vouchers, please contact the school office for a booking form

#### Lighthouse Family Support Advisor



I am your Family Support Advisor, Jacqui Cook.

I have a variety of Family Support experience, working at all levels from child protection through to early interventions, with both children and parents/carers. I started off as a childminder when my children were small.

I then worked at a Children's Centre as a play worker running sessions like stay and play and moved on to a family support worker. I have also worked as a youth worker and worked in supported housing for young men. My last job before moving to Lighthouse was at Eldene Nursery and Primary School, where I was a Family Support Advisor and Deputy Safeguarding Lead. Some of my jobs were to support families with things from benefits and finances to attendance. I also attended meetings such as TAC/TAF, CIN and child protection meetings.

#### What is an FSA?

An FSA can offer support, guidance and a listening ear to parents. We can also work with other professionals such as health visitors, school nurse, school staff, social care team and many others to support your child and family's needs

How can an FSA support me?

These are some of the things we can support with.

Behaviour at home

- Attachment and trauma
- Anxiety (child and adult)
- Routines, including morning, evening, bedtime, sleep
- Parenting Groups (therapeutic and programmes)
- Bereavement
- Domestic Abuse (both current and historic)
- Substance abuse
- Housing and benefit support
- Signposting for financial support
- Low mood and Mental Health
- Support with and/or contribution to Early Help Records/Education Health Care Plan
- Chair and/or attendance at Team around the Family/Child meetings
- Attendance alongside schools at other multi-agency meetings as appropriate.
- Completing onwards referrals to specialist agencies (for both parents/carers and children)
- Support parents to attend appointments and understand processes, sitting in at these meetings if requested
- Support for parents to complete paperwork, forms, applications, etc.

Please contact <a href="mailto:admin@stpeters.bluekitetrust.org">admin@stpeters.bluekitetrust.org</a> to arrange an appointment

# Dates for the diary 2025 - 2026



Monday 15th September Voyager Class (Y2) curriculum meeting 2.45pm

Tuesday 16th September Navigator Class (Y4) curriculum meeting 2.45pm

Wednesday 17th September Discovery Class (Y1) curriculum meeting 2.45pm

Wednesday 17th September Endeavour Class (Y6) curriculum meeting 2.45pm

Tuesday 7th October - School photographer

Tuesday 7th October - Book Fair until Monday 13th October

Tuesday 21st October - Flu vaccination

Thursday 23rd October - Half term starts

Saturday 15th November - Open day for the 2026 - 2027 intake

# Term dates 2025 -2026

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