

St. Peter's Academy Newsletter 18/10/2024

Welcome



Dear Parents and Carers,

It was heartwarming to see the generosity of our school community at the Harvest Festival last week, we have been discussing in assemblies how to live fruitful lives and helping others and being thankful ourselves is certainly part of that. Thank you to everyone who donated.

Since the last newsletter there have been further highlights to be proud of. Our Open Morning for prospective parents was a huge success, with our Year 6 ambassadors praised by everyone who they showed round our school. It was great to experience a morning with staff, governors and children showing such pride in the school. The children who represented St Peter's at the Chippenham Schools Cross Country event were also fantastic representatives of the school, encouraging each other and experiencing success. Endeavour Class (Year 6) performed our first Sharing Assembly of the year today, it was wonderful to see the experiences and learning that they have completed in just one term - well done to them all for delivering such an interesting assembly.

As we edge towards half-term, thank you to all the St Peter's staff who have gone above and beyond this term to cover absences, sometimes at very short notice. Their commitment to the school and children has meant that life at St Peter's has continued 'normally' with minimal disruption for the children. We also send our very best wishes to staff members who are absent, including Mr Everett who has been unwell this term.

As a reminder, we break up for half-term on Wednesday 23rd October, Term 2 starts for children on Tuesday 5th November.

Enjoy your weekend,

Gordon Nunn

Headteacher

Stars of the Week



Stars of the week for the past two weeks are:

Endeavour Class - Charlie and Jaydene for their cross country performances, Raven and Hettie for wonderful effort in maths.

Navigator Class - Skyla and Ben for working hard and collaborative work, Reuben C and Harriet for good effort in the classroom.

Pioneer Class - Nicholas for great art work, Elsie for impressive English writing, Georgia and Illinois for superb effort and a positive attitude.

Odyssey Class - Desirae for cross country efforts, Theo for being a great role model, Oliver for a positive attitude to learning and Owen for contributing to class discussions.

Voyager Class - Marcus for excellent work, Jude for always working hard with a smile, Leo for wonderful improvement in his work, Willow for writing expanded noun phrases.

Discovery Class - Charlie and Archie for great work and being helpful, Thea for trying new things and Ezra for beautiful writing using adjectives.

Well done to them all!

Opportunity to become a Parent Governor



St Peter's Primary, Academy Council

Dear Parents

The terms of office for our two parent members will end in November 2024, so I am writing to invite applications for these positions.

St Peter's AC is a friendly team of volunteers who play an active part in supporting the leadership and development of the school.

Attached some brief information. If you want to apply or just find out more, please get in touch.

The deadline for applications will be Friday 18th October 2024

Lynne Baylis

Governance Professional

Lynne.baylis@DBAT.org.uk

Parent Academy Council Member (Governor)

Would you like to be more involved in your child's education?

If you would, why not consider becoming an Academy Council member. There is currently a vacancy Parent Academy Council member at this school.

The Academy Council, with the Head and Board of Directors of the Trust, has overall responsibility for the running of the school. Their responsibilities include:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding the Head to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
- Advising on school policies and procedures
- Helping recruit staff
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

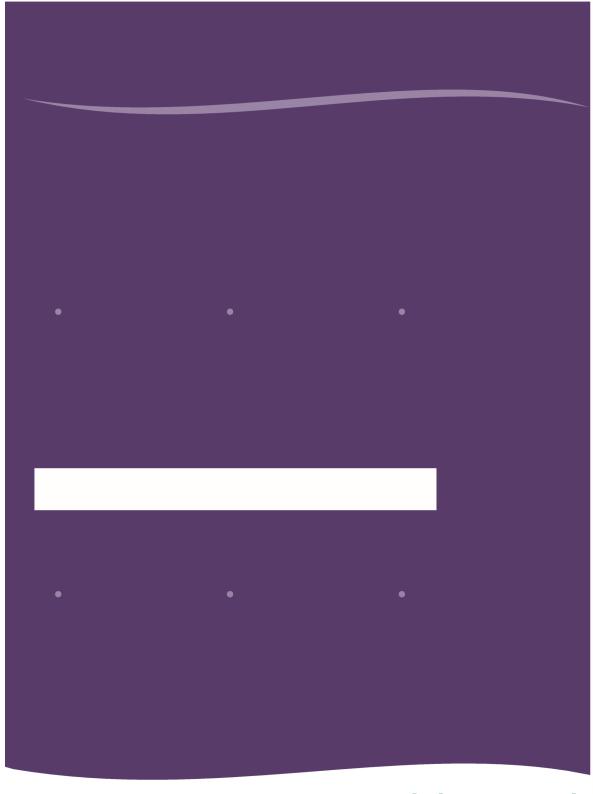
If you are interested in becoming a Parent Academy Council member but feel a little daunted by the responsibility you may be taking on, remember that full training will be available, and you will always act as part of a team. No special qualifications are needed, and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the Academy Council's work. Academy Council members also need the ability to be able to build relationships with a range of people, to be able to work as part of a team, to be able to question, and to make connections between different types of information.

If you become an Academy Council member you will be taking on the following commitments to help make sure the school is well managed:

- Share the responsibilities of the Academy Council as summarised above.
- Attend and participate in meetings on a regular basis

- Undergo appropriate training
- You may also be invited to sit on appointment panels or attend committee meetings

In half term the application form for secondary school will close



Wiltshire Council

Will your child be transferring to a secondary school in September 2025?

You must apply for a secondary school place

Apply online at wiltshire.gov.uk or complete an application form, available at **all Wiltshire Council offices.**

The deadline for applications is

12 midnight, 31 October 2024

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on 01225 713010 For more information or to request our guide **to finding** a secondary school place in Wiltshire.

After School Sport clubs



In the first half-term (Term 1) there will be a

MULTI-SKILLS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB Year 1 and 2, on Thursdays after school £3.00 per session, £21.00 for the school term

FOOTBALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB | Year 3 and 4 on Fridays after school £3.00 per session, £21.00 for the school term

Please sign up on Parent Pay

Breast Cancer Awareness Month



On Friday 18th October staff members wore pink for Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Tanya Withers, a teaching assistant at the school and former parent, is currently undergoing treatment for breast cancer and staff would like to show their support for her and the cause. There is a link below for anyone who would like to make a donation to this worthy charity: https://www.justgiving.com/page/lejog2024-breast-cancer-now



FOSPA Fizzy DISCO, Wednesday 23rd October



FOSPA's Fizzy Disco is on Wednesday 23rd October tickets are £2.50 and include a drink and a sweet. You can also get a hotdog, £2.00.

Everything can be bought on ParentPay

The doors at explorer class will open for KS1 at 5.30 and pick is at the school hall at 6.15 For KS2 the doors will open at 6.25 and pick up is from the hall at 7.25

If you would like to help on the evening let us know FOSPA.stpeters@dbat.org.uk

Drum lessons in school



On Thursday 10th October we have a drumming teacher starting lessons. For more information www.chris-guitar.com and to book lessons please contact Chris 07796237828 chrisguitarinfo@gmail.com



Chris Guitar/Drums

Guitar & Drums Lessons available in school

For more information contact:

chrisguitarinfo@gmail.com

www.chris-guitar.com

Relaxed and friendly Tutors, all DBS checked with safeguarding Documentation and Insurance.

Acoustic Guitars can be hired



Wraparound 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 <u>ParentPay</u> or if you pay by School Vouchers please use this form and you will receive a confirmation with payment details Booking form for term 2

To contact our WAC team outside of school hours please contact 07396 812 933

This is NOT to book any sessions, emergencies only

In2Sport October half term camp



Dates for the diary 2024 - 2025



Fizzy Disco - Wednesday 23rd October

Last day of Term 1 - Wednesday 23rd October

FOSPA parent Quiz night - Friday 15th November

School Christmas dinner - Wednesday 11th December

Navigator Class Sharing Assembly - Friday 13th December 9am

Pioneer Class Sharing Assembly - Friday 7th February 9am

Odyssey Class Sharing Assembly - Friday 28th March 9am

Voyager Class Sharing Assembly - Friday 23rd May 9am

Discovery Class Sharing Assembly - Friday 20th June 9am

Explorer Class Sharing Assembly - Friday 11th July 9am



Term 1: 04/09/2024 - 23/10/2024

Term 2: 05/11/2024 - 20/12/2024 (Finish at 2 pm - No after school club)

Term 3 06/01/2025 - 14/02/2025

Term 4: 25/02/2025 - 04/04/2025 (Finish at 2 pm - No after school club)

Term 5: 23/04/2025- 23/05/2025

Term 6: 02/06/2025 - 23/07/2025 (Finish at 2 pm - No after school club)

TD Days (children not in school): Monday 2nd September, Tuesday 3rd September, Monday 4th November, Monday 24th February, Tuesday 22nd April and Thursday 24th July.

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October half term holiday club



OCTOBER HALF TERM Grittleton Adventures





For ages 8-12 years

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Monday-Friday from 8.30am till 5.30pm

Just £40 per Day

Extended Day 8am-6pm available



All your favourite activities

- Archery - Climbing - Low Ropes - Zorbs and More

TO BOOK VISIT:

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US

ON: 01249 783203 info@grittleton-adventures.co.uk





Find us at

Grittleton Adventures
Grittleton House
The Street
Grittleton
SN14 6AP







Pre school Lords Mead open day

Lordsmead Pre-School





Open day

Saturday 9th November

From 9:30am till 2pm

Come and see our amazing play spaces, find out about the additional activities we offer every week such as Forest school, Movement and dance and School preparation room.

Join us for refreshments, play and a chat about what we can offer your child and you!

Spaces available starting September or January





We accept 2 year old and 3/4 year old childcare funding
Lordsmead Pre-School at St Peter's Church Hall, Lordsmead, SN14 OLL
Lordsmeadpre-schoolplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk

Telephone: 01249 464222





BUILDING ENGLISH SKILLS



Chippenham Community Hub 1 Gladstone Parade, Timber Street, SN15 3BS

Thursdays 12.30 - 2.30pm Starting on 14 November

Full Dates: 14, 21 and 28 November 5 and 12 December

Rooking closes 7 November

Discover your inner poet

Feel more confident reading and writing English

- How to skim and scan
- · Strategies for spelling
- · Express yourself in writing
- · Play with words
- · Speak to a group with confidence

Our courses are free if you are 19+ and have been a resident in UK/EU for 3+years and meet eligibility criteria. Please see our website or contact us for more information.



Email <u>familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk</u> Phone 01225 770478 or scan the qr code or visit https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-and-community-learning/

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Family and Community Learning and Chippenham Community Hub

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Supporting a Child with ADHD





Challenge the stereotypes and get practical help

Thur 10th Oct (7pm to 9pm) £24

Available to book now facefamilyadvice.co.uk





SEP/OCT TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

FREE SESSIONS Supporting Kids with School Anxiety Introduction to Facing Defiance	26 SEP 24 OCT
Understanding Anger	23 SEP
Supporting a Child with ADHD	24 SEP
Understanding the Teenage Brain	7 OCT
Raising Self-Esteem	8 OCT
Decreasing Depression	15 OCT
Anxiety Explained	17 OCT
Understanding Anger	21 OCT
Drug Awareness for Parents	22 OCT
Autism: Improving Communication	28 OCT
Introduction to OCD	29 OCT
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	31 OCT
Improving Family Communication	4 NOV
Raising Self-Esteem	5 NOV

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Family and Community Learning Course List

Please check our website for more courses running soon https://workwiltshire.co.uk/events/
Family Skills Courses

Course	Date	Day	Sessions	Venue
Supporting Myself to Support My Child	Starts 16 September	Mondays 10:00am–12noon	3	Online
Helping My Child with Anxiety and Worry	20 September	Friday 10:00am–12noon	1	Online
Helping My Child Build Concentration and Resilience	27 September	Friday 10:00am–12noon	1	Online
Understanding School Anxiety: help for the early signs of Emotionally Based School Avoidance	1 October	Tuesday 10:00–12:00noon	1	Online
Phonics Games	8 October	Tuesday 10:00am–12noon	1	Online
Helping My Child Prepare Positively for Change	11 October	Friday 10:00am–12noon	1	Online
Helping My Child to Learn Phonics	Starts 5 November	Tuesdays 10:00am–12noon	5	Online
Supporting My Teen with Wellbeing	11 November	Monday 10:00am–12noon	1	Online
Supporting My Teen with Transitions to Adulthood	Starts 18 November	Mondays 10:00am–12noon	5	Online
Understanding School Anxiety: help for the early signs of Emotionally Based School Avoidance	9 December	Monday 10:00–12:00noon	1	Online
Understanding School Anxiety: help for the early signs of Emotionally Based School Avoidance	30 January 2025	Thursday 10:00–12:00noon	1	Online

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ESOL Pre-Entry	Starts 10 September	Tuesdays 9:30am–11:30am	10	Larkhill Community Centre
ESOL Beginner	Starts 12 September	Thursdays 9:30am–11:30am	10	Larkhill Community Centre
ESOL for Wellbeing	Starts 16 September	Mondays 10:00am-12noon	10	Lyneham Primary School
ESOL for Wellbeing	Starts 18 September	Wednesdays 10:00am-12noon	10	Springfield Community Centre, Corsham

1 - Independent Living Skills Courses

Course	Date	Day	Sessions	Venue
Home Smart	Starts 17 September	Tuesdays 10:30am-12:30pm	5	Medley Centre, Trowbridge
Exploring My Skills	8 October	Tuesday 1:30pm-3.30pm	1	Doorway, The Citadel, Chippenham
Exploring Positive Emotions	15 October	Tuesday 1:30pm-3.30pm	1	Doorway, The Citadel, Chippenham
Exploring My Skills	21 October	Monday 10:00–12noon	1	Online
Exploring Confidence in Communication	22 October	Tuesday 1:30pm-3.30pm	1	Doorway, The Citadel, Chippenham
Exploring Easy Meals	22 October	Tuesday 10:30am-12:30pm	1	Medley Centre, Trowbridge
Exploring Easy Meals	29 October	Tuesday 1:30pm-3.30pm	1	Doorway, The Citadel, Chippenham
Time Smart	5 November	Tuesday 1:00pm-3.00pm	5	Medley Centre, Trowbridge
Eat Smart	Starts 12 November	Tuesdays 10:30am–12:30pm	5	Medley Centre, Trowbridge
Exploring Celebrations Around the World	12 December	Thursday 1:00pm–3.00pm	1	Doorway, The Citadel, Chippenham
Exploring Celebrations Around the World	17 December	Tuesday 10:30am-12:30pm	1	Medley Centre, Trowbridge

Course	Date	Day	Sessions	Venue
Working in Schools	Starts 12 September	Thursdays 10:00am–12noon	5	Online
Budgeting for Military Families Session 1	24 September	Tuesday 12.30pm-2.30pm	1	MOD Community Centre, Lyneham
Budgeting for Military Families Session 2	1 October	Tuesday 12.30pm-2.30pm	1	MOD Community Centre, Lyneham
Working in Early Years	Starts 11 November	Mondays & Fridays 10:00am–12noon	8	Online

2 - Adult Wellbeing and Employability Courses

ESOL for Wellbeing	Starts 19 September	Thursdays 10:00am–12noon	10	Warminster Library
ESOL Intermediate	Starts 24 September	Tuesdays 1:00pm-3.00pm	5	Durrington Village Hall
ESOL for Wellbeing	Starts 26 September	Thursdays 12noon–2:00pm	10	Bulford Community Hub
ESOL Pre-Entry	Starts 1 October	Tuesdays 11:00am–1pm	10	St Andrews Hall, Tidworth
ESOL Beginner	Starts 26 November	Tuesdays 9:30am–11:30am	10	Larkhill Community Centre
ESOL for Wellbeing	Starts 5 December	Thursdays 9:30am–11:30am	10	Larkhill Community Centre

3 - ESOL Courses

Information:

Enrolments for online courses must be completed at least seven days before a course starts.

New learners need to complete a short online induction session to introduce them to the FaCL service. We will contact new learners to arrange a suitable time to join an induction before a course starts.

Enquiry link: Expression of Interest Form - Work Wiltshire



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