

# St. Peter's Academy Newsletter 18th July 2025

#### Headteacher's message



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are coming to the end of the school year and the Key Stage 2 production last

week was a fitting finale - the children acted and sang wonderfully and both performances were very special to watch. Well done to everyone who contributed, adults and children, with special mentions for Mrs Leakey who spent hours creating the artwork and masks, Mr Robinson for his time and enthusiasm with directing the singing and Mrs Merriman for pulling it all together.

While we look ahead to September with enthusiasm and a first full academic year under Blue Kite Trust, we also have to say goodbye to some very valued staff. Mrs Merriman

retires after 24 years at St Peter's, she has been totally dedicated to the children throughout her career and will be greatly missed. Mrs Morley has stepped in for the last 18 months as a Year 2 teacher and we will all miss her friendly face and enthusiasm. We also say farewell to Mrs Clewes, Miss Marson and Miss Andrea and thank them for all their hard work. The Blue Kite Trust Lighthouse Team will also now take over Parent Support Services and be available to work with and support parents, this means Lisa Foster, from The Rise Trust, will no longer work at school - she has made a huge difference to many families and we thank her as well for everything she has contributed at St Peter's.

Finally, I would like to personally thank Mrs Wallis who isn't leaving but will step back from the Assistant Headteacher role as the leadership structure changes. She has been a huge factor in the smooth running of the school this academic year and has supported staff at all levels, as well as contributing so much to school events in her role on FOSPA.

Have a great Summer break,

Gordon Nunn

Headteacher

#### Summer Reading Challenge @Chippenham Library



The Summer Reading Challenge is back this year with a Story Garden theme. Pop in and see Tracy, the children's librarian, at Chippenham Library. Sign up with your library card (you can get a new one if you need too), read a minimum of 6 books over the holidays and let the library volunteers know what you thought about them. You can collect fun stickers and there is even a medal for each successful participant.

And please return all school library books, reading books and story sacks by the end of the week. Thank you.

#### Free Uniform Swap



We have lots of unnamed lost property that has not been claimed over the past few weeks. So, if you need any jumpers and cardigans ready to grow into, please come and have a look. If you have any old purple uniform that your child has grown out of, please feel free to donate back to school. Uniform will be on the hill at the front of school every day this week.

#### **FOSPA**



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.

Happy Summer Holidays and thank you for all your support over the last year, Team FOSPA

#### Lighthouse Newsletter



#### Summer 2025

#### The Lighthouse Team

We have had a great year and we are pleased to have met and supported more families than ever before! We look forward to continuing our work with the Blue Kite Academy Trust schools and families in September. Keep an eye on our newsletters and Instagram page for updates on our Lighthouse events in the new academic year. Thank you to those who have worked with us this year and a huge thank you for the ongoing support we receive from our wonderful schools and families. We hope you have an enjoyable summer!

From,

The Lighthouse Team

(Helen, Siobain, Torz, Becky, Gayle, Jacqui, Dani and Matt)

Follow Us

For regular family life tips, links to useful posts and dates for your diary please follow our Instagram page:

@lighthouse bluekitetrust

**Summer Fun!** 

With the summer holidays fast approaching we wanted to give some ideas for fun and free activities you can do to fill some time. Follow our Instagram page below as we will share all the free events we spot going on around the area!

Use some magnetic tiles to create an L shape and roll a tennis ball at them to see how many you can snap shut Draw a vase on some cardboard, poke holes above it and then go to pick some daisies and dandelions to thread through the holes as if sitting in the vase. Place stencils onto a dry outdoor surface, spray generously with water and then lift off to reveal the image on the ground.

Using the same water spray bottles- draw some fires on the ground in chalk and have them 'put out the fires' with the spray.

Using a poppit toy, take it in turns to pop down either 1, 2 or 3 bubbles. Whoever has to press down the last bubble loses!

'Paint' the fence, ground or outdoor walls with a pot of water and a paint brush.

Give them some ice cubes, paints (watercolours work well) and brushes and paint the ice.

Gather up toys they haven't played with for a long time and create a 'shop' where they can come in and buy them with pretend money.

Design and create your own board game, write the rules to go with it and play as a family.

Find a good size rock, paint it to resemble an animal, name it, craft it some toys and food and house it in a decorated shoe box!

Let them be bored and find their own fun too- boredom often leads to creativity- we don't have to fill every minute of their day!

#### **Supporting Transitions**

As we near the end of term, children often feel a mix of excitement and worry about moving up to a new class, or on to a new school. You can support this transition by talking positively about what's ahead- new opportunities, routines and things to look forward to. If your child is feeling unsure, remind them that its normal to feel nervous, talk through any worries and, if needed, work with them to create a plan of what they could do if these worries happened in real life, such as who they might go to for help.

#### 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 <u>ParentPay - Leading Cashless Payment System for Schools</u>

#### Wiltshire FUEL programme



We are delighted to let you know that booking for our Summer 2025 FUEL programme is now open.

Once again, families can make bookings by logging onto the FUEL Programme system.

Bookings for each week will close two weeks beforehand, finally closing in the week commencing 4 August.

You will be asked to check and re-confirm any information that you have previously provided.

More information about eligibility and the programme can also be found on the <u>FUEL</u> Programme website.

If you have any questions not answered on the webpage, please feel free to email fuelprogramme@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Regards

THE FUEL PROGRAMME TEAM

#### Sheldon School September Open Mornings 2025



Booking is now open for the additional Sheldon School September Open Mornings at <a href="https://www.sheldonschool.co.uk">www.sheldonschool.co.uk</a> for all students entering secondary school in September 2026.

https://www.sheldonschool.co.uk/home/admissions/open-events-and-school-tours/

#### Open Mornings Tours at 9am and 11am

Wednesday 24th September 2025, Thursday 25th September 2025, Friday 26th September 2025

#### Why choose Sheldon?

- A happy school with positive student-teacher relationships
- A fully inclusive school with a Hearing Resource Base for deaf students
- Excellent behaviour and pastoral care
- A broad and balanced curriculum

- Extensive enrichment and trips opportunities including music, dance, drama, art, sport, Duke of Edinburgh, Ten Tors and more!
- A fantastic environment with modern facilities
- Strong outcomes at both GCSE and A Level

Find out more at <a href="https://www.sheldonschool.co.uk/home/admissions/open-events-and-school-tours/">https://www.sheldonschool.co.uk/home/admissions/open-events-and-school-tours/</a>

#### Dates for the diary 2024 - 2025



Monday 21st July - Wear Something Bright and Colourful

Monday 21st July - KS2 Park Day

Wednesday 23rd July - Leavers service in Church at 1pm

Wednesday 23rd July - Last day of term 2pm finish NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Wednesday 3rd September - Back to School, 8.45am start

Tuesday 7th October - School photographer

#### Term dates 2025 -2026

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Term Time

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The Rise Trust
Community Hub
Chippenham
Thursdays
10-11am

- Healthy eating & nutrition
- Sleep tips & routines
- Emotional wellbeing & stress
- Sexual health & relationships
- Bedwetting & toileting support



Join us at the





## Got questions?

#### **Community Health drop-in!**

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or children and young people 5-19 and their families

No appointment needed!

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#### Sheldon Road Church



Audley Road, Chippenham. SN14 0DU or send by email to admin@sheldonroad.church

Please register in advance if possible.

Download more forms from the church's website www.sheldonroad.church

For more details phone Trevor on 07593 393653



Personal information which you give to us may be used in a number of ways.

- Arranging age-appropriate activities
- Contacting you in case of an emergency
- Providing medical information in case of an emergency
- Contacting you about this and future children's events (with your consent)

No information will be shared with anyone else unless there is a medical or legal reason to do so.

#### 'Team Builders'

Registration & Consent Form. One for each child please.

Tuesday 29th July — Friday 1st August 2025

Child's full name:

What does your child like to be called?

Parent's Email Address:	
Parent's Postal Address:	
Parent's Phone Number:	
Child's Date of Birth:	Chil d's Gender:
School Year Group (at Jan 2025): Emerge	ency Contact Name & Phone Number:
GP's Name & Phone number:	
Any known allergies, conditions or addit	tional needs?
I would like to be kept informed of any f	future children's events.
(To change your preference, contact	admin@sheldonroad.church)
the unlikely event of illness or accident, treatment to be given by the nominated contacted, I am willing for my child to re	nplete and correct to the best of my knowledge. In I give permission for any necessary medical difference in an emergency, and if I cannot be eceive hospital treatment, including anaesthetic if I be made to contact me as soon as possible.
Signature	Date



#### For 5-11 Year-olds

Tue 29th July – Fri 1st August 10.00am – 12.00pm Sheldon Road Church, Chippenham.

£2.50 each day / Family

Plus a special **TemBus** celebration for all ages will take place on Sunday 3rd August at 10.30am



For more details phone 07593 393653 or email admin@sheldonroad.church

#### Summer club



### Olympiad Summer Intensive

#### **Swimming Lessons**



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Tuesday 29th July - Friday 1st August	Stage 2	9.30 - 10.00	Victoria					
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Tuesday 5th August	Stage 1	9.00 - 9.30	Victoria					
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Tuesday 19th August - Friday 22nd August	Stage 2	9.30 - 10.00	Alisha					
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Cost:

Non-Member: £35.20 Leisure Card: £31.20

Concession: £22.80

Call Olympiad: 01249 444144

**Olympiad Summer Swimming Master Classes** 

For Children in Stage 4+



Cost Non-Member:

£13.40

**Leisure Card:** 

£12.40

**Concession:** 

£9.30



## Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July Breaststroke

8.30 - 9.30

**Diving** 

9.30 - 10.30

**Teacher: Lee** 

# Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August Butterfly

8.30 - 9.30

**Water Polo** 

9.30 - 10.30

**Teacher: Lee** 

Call

Olympiad

01249 444144

**Olympiad Trial Swimming Lesson** 

Come and try a free swimming lesson at the Olympiad

**Book your lesson during** 

Tuesday 26th August – Saturday 31st August



Call Olympiad:

01249 444144 or Email: Michelle.Harris@wiltshire.gov.uk

#### Sports Club

From 4:30 – 6:30pm, there will be a fantastic mix of sports, games, and activities led by our experienced coaches from the Bath Rugby Foundation.

Our partner charity, Doorway, will also be running their popular social club, offering snacks, drinks, table tennis, and air hockey in a safe and welcoming indoor space.

To book, please contact our Community Sports Team at: <a href="mailto:communitysport@wiltshire.gov.uk">communitysport@wiltshire.gov.uk</a>

### ARE YOU EIGHT YEARS OR OLDER AND EAGER TO GET ACTIVE?

JOIN OUR DOORSTEP SPORTS CLUB!

#### **Chippenham Doorstep Sports Club**

**4.30 pm - 6pm, Every Friday** (During term time)

Ladyfield Church Sports Hall, Hungerdown Ln, Chippenham SN14 0BA

Our **FREE** sports sessions are taking place in locations across Wiltshire, every week.

Sessions are fun, inclusive and everyone is welcome. Find out what is going on in your community now.



SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR FREE SESSIONS





**Doorway** 



#### FACE Newsletter JULY 2025

FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK

Talks are 90 minutes long, £24 each or FREE with a school membership code Book Online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk on the PARENTS page

Schools can purchase a

FACE School Annual Membership which means ALL parents and ALL staff

get unlimited FREE access to ALL 16 parent talks

**Thursday** Supporting Healthy

31st July Screen Use













19:00 - 20:00 Screens are here to stay. **FREE** guide to reduce the negative impact.

Identifying the issues and step by step

#### Monday

Supporting a Child with ADHD 21st July Challenging the stereotypes and giving

10:00 - 11:30 practical interventions. Clear explanation of

£24 the condition in all its forms and extremely recording available useful advice.

Monday Facing Defiance

**28th July** Specific strategy to help parents manage

10:00 - 11:30 defiant and challenging behaviour,

especially aimed at ADHD, ODD and PDA

£24 conditions, 5 to 12 years old. recording available

Tuesday Anxiety Based School Avoidance

**29th July** Understanding and supporting children

10:00 - 11:30 who are anxious about school.

Steps you can take to help them back £24

recording available into the classroom.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk. info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

On Monday we have our Park Day, please give consent on ParentPay for your child to go on to the inflatables. With out our consent we can't them on.

It might rain on Monday,