

Autumn Term Newsletter 5

Friday 15 November 2024

We have had a very busy start to the new half term with the Bonfire and so on and are now gearing up for the Christmas period. Below you can see a copy of the Christmas dates that were sent out to you last week. Worth taking a note of any that are relevant to you – note the addition of the Y5/6 carol service.

Coming up in the next two weeks of school...

	Week beginning 18 November	Week beginning 25 November
Monday		Assessment Week
Tuesday		KS2 Author Visit
		Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday		Y3/4 Basketball (details to follow)
Thursday	Y5 Road Safety Talk	
Friday		KS2 Digital Wizards Assembly

Christmas Dates coming up...

- Monday 2nd Dec 3/4 Christingle at St Peter's Church
- Tuesday 3rd De F2 dress rehearsal
- Wednesday 4th Dec Gift afternoon
- Thursday 5th Dec F2 Nativity for parents
- Friday 6th Dec F2 Visiting Heathermount Care Home
- Tuesday 10th Dec F1 Nativity
- Wednesday 11th KS1 dress rehearsal (whole school invited)
- Thursday 12th Dec KS1 Year 1 Nativity and Christmas Dinner day
- Friday 13th Dec KS1 Year 2 parents
- Monday 16th Dec Y5/6 Carol Service at St Peter's Church 7pm
- Tuesday 17th Dec 3/4 xmas party
- Wednesday 18th Dec Whole school Christmas church service and F1 and F2 Christmas parties
- Thursday 19th Dec Year 5/6 Christmas Party
- Friday 20th Christmas Jumper Day

Attendance Update

As you will be aware, there is a big national agenda from the DFE regarding attendance so I am going to be sharing our attendance data with you via the newsletter.

Percentage Attendance in 2024-2025							
Newsletter 3	Newsletter 4	Newsletter 5 (this week)					
95.8%	96.2%	96.3%					

The current attendance this year of 96.3% is above the national average.

St Peter's Bonfire and fireworks night

What an evening this was! We had well over 1000 people on the site treated to some amazing fireworks, great food and large bonfire. I have to say a huge thank you to the many people who spent a great deal of time organising this event both in advance and on the day. I don't think anyone who wasn't involved could understand the levels of time and stress it took to make this a great evening for everyone who attended. Large numbers of staff and volunteers were in school all day Saturday setting up and then again on Sunday for the clear up. The Friends of St Peters will be having a full debrief of this event to see how we can improve it for next year.

We can also announce that the event raised just over £6000 for school. Absolutely fantastic.





Friends of St Peters Events

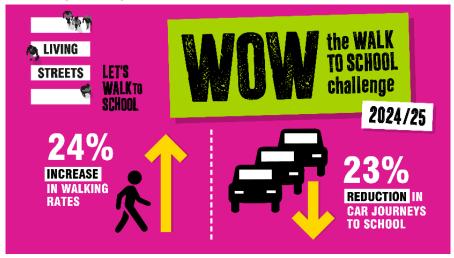
More events organised by the Friends of St Peter's. We are so grateful for your support!



I'd like to say thank you to the friends of St Peters who have agreed to fund the purchase and installation of a new audio system for the school hall. This is something that has been needed for quite some time and will make a big difference. It will be installed next week and up and running ready for the Christmas activities in the hall.

Active Travel Update

We have had a really good start to our Walk to School challenge for this year with overall engagement of 82% and a total of 200 badges being awarded to the children.



Roofing Works

As stated in the email this week this work has overrun the 3 weeks it was planned for. I am told that this should be finished by the end of next week at which point the scaffolding and fencing will be removed and we will have the whole playground back.

Collective Worship

Our worship rota is usually as follows:

Monday – St Peter's church leading

Tuesday – Mr Wallace leading

Wednesday - Come and Praise with Miss Collins

Thursday – Picture News. This looks at topical issues that are in the news. These have been the pictures for the past 2 weeks. Why not ask your child what they have been learning about?





Friday - Celebration.

Daniel Breen Appeal

This is a charity appeal that has been organised by one of our pupils, Daniel Breen and is a great example of courageous advocacy.



Final Prayer

As a church school I always think it is good to end the newsletter with a prayer for the weekend. This week's was written by Year 5/6E.

Dear God,

Thank you for keeping us safe during our autumnal events.

We confess that we might have eaten too many chocolates and sweets.

Please help us to be thankful for our family and friends who we share these events with.

God, we know that you will do what is best to keep us safe during the winter season.

In your name we prayer,

Amen

Have a lovely weekend!

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