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*firm foundations, shining bright*



### End of Year Newsletter

#### What has been happening in school?

We have had a typically busy final week at St Peter's. Lots of the events have been centred around our Year 6 leavers, from the evening service in church on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July to the Leavers Worship in the hall on the final day of the term. We've also had our Year 2 children attend their first school residential when they went to Barnstondale on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> July – a really exciting moment for all of our Year 2 children!

#### Attendance

As a school, we set a target for our children to have an attendance rate of at least **97%**. The attendance for the 2022/2023 academic year was **95%**! It has been really positive to see the attendance improve across the course of the year and gives us confidence that we will achieve **97%** next year!

On Tuesday, many Year 6 children represented St Peter's at the Chester Cathedral Leavers Service, showing our values of [#spirituality](#) and [#pride](#). Thank you to all the parents who helped with transport - it was a lovely service!



3/4CW completed their art project, 'Festival feasts' drawing tins of food. They were inspired after researching the work of Andy Warhol, to change aspects of their drawings from the original. The children have been considering to how they record their work in sketch books. [#pride](#)



Well done to St Peter's pupils receiving their certificates for demonstrating the PETERS values. All of Y1, Y2 and Y5 were awarded this week, Y2 for teamwork at Barnstondale, Y1 for their work in school whilst Y2 were away and Y5 their hard work this week. [#PETERSVALUES](#) [#Teamstp](#)



#### Diary Dates:

Please see below for a brief overview of key dates for the start of the next academic year.

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – INSET day
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Children back in school

**A few thanks to end the year:**

- ✚ I would like to take this opportunity to thank the children for all of their hard work this year. Everything we do as a school, and as individuals within education, is for the children and our community. Seeing the children grow and develop fills us with pride, so thank you to all of the children for their efforts and making all our efforts worthwhile!
- ✚ I would also like to thank the parents for their ongoing support of the school. Whether through kind comments, donations for fairs and school events, it all helps us to do what we can to provide the best experience for the pupils.
- ✚ Our Friends of St Peter's team work tirelessly to raise money, organise events and do the hard yards that allow us to purchase things we know make a difference. Whether it has been the upcoming pirate ship replacement, science equipment or books for phonics, it all helps support the school – thank you!
- ✚ The clergy take an active role in our school life, and the spiritual guidance we receive from Heswall parish helps us to keep our focus on the children and our PETERS values – thank you for all you do!
- ✚ Governors play a significant role behind the scenes, supporting our school to be the best it can be, and we are thankful for the time and commitment that is put into this hugely important position.
- ✚ Last, and by no means least, I'd like to thank our amazing St Peter's staff. Whether it is supporting the children with their learning, helping resolve fallouts, supporting positive choices, giving up lunch times and breaks, answering calls, preparing school dinners, midday supervising, cleaning our school, running our school site, giving guidance, encouragement or love, we are blessed to have a team of people within our school community who absolutely put the children of our community first. As the job of working within education becomes increasingly challenging, the staff continue to stand up and be counted as those willing to put the children's needs ahead of their own. Thank you!



## *A Prayer for Holidays*

"Thank you for all of the beauty and joy and wonder of the holidays. Bring sweet moments into the hard days. Show your fingerprints and signs of your faithfulness and goodness."

*I wish our entire school community a happy, restful summer and look forward to seeing everyone in September.*

Kind regards,



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