

# ST PETER'S SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

11TH SEPTEMBER 2026

## UPCOMING EVENTS

23/9/26 Year 5 Church Service, 10.30am all welcome  
30/9/26 Harvest Service in church, 10.30am all welcome  
7/10/26 Year 6 Church Service, 10.30am all welcome  
9/10/26 World Mental Health Day  
15/10/26 Year 6 UCLAN trip  
15/10/26 Dance Performance Y4, Y5 & Y6  
23/10/26 Finish for Half term, 3.15pm

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Monday: Y1 & 2 Water confidence  
Fusion KS1 Dance  
Tuesday: Year 5 & 6 Boys Football Club  
Wednesday: Sportscool KS1 Dodgeball  
Thursday: Year 4, 5 & 6 T1 Rugby

## WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY...

World Mental Health Day is on the 10th of October. As this falls on a Saturday this year, we will be taking part on Friday 9th October.

We ask that children and staff wear something yellow to support the day.

Hello Yellow 2026 encourages schools, communities and organisations to wear yellow, start conversations and show young people that they are not alone. On the day each class will discuss 10 wellbeing tips and these will be sent home to share with families.



## TT ROCK STARS...



To encourage the children to go on TT Rockstars, Mr Crotty has set up a monthly battle between the classes! The first battle begins today and runs until the 30th September! Your child can play on any game mode and they can earn one point for every correct answer. Being mindful of digital well being, a daily play limit of 30 minutes has been set and children can't earn points past 19:30. Your child's log in will be stuck inside their reading record. Good luck everyone! Please watch the following short video which explains more about how the battle works: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LNavOd-voHc>

## EVERY CHILD OF GOD MATTERS



Whole School Attendance this week is

98%



School 204 pupils  
5.9%  
1.0% 2.0%

### Legend

- Severely absent (50% or more sessions missed)
- Persistently absent (10% or more sessions missed)
- At risk of persistent absence (5-10% sessions missed)
- Good attendance (95-99%)
- Excellent attendance (99%+)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

## ANTI BULLYING WEEK...

Anti-Bullying Week is the week commencing 16th November. This year's theme is "Break the Silence", focusing on children who experience bullying in silence.

We are asking children and staff to wear odd socks on Monday 16th November to launch the week.

During PSHE lesson that week, classes will use the Anti-Bullying Alliance website to think more about the importance of speaking up.

Our school definition of bullying is:

Bullying is 'repetitive, hurtful, and intentional and involves an imbalance of power'.

It is hurtful, unkind or threatening behaviour which is deliberate and repeated. Bullying can be carried out by an individual or a group of people towards another individual or group, where the bully or bullies hold more power than those being bullied. If bullying is allowed it harms the perpetrator, the target and the whole school community.

## SUPPORT FOR PUPILS...

Families across Lancashire are now able to access earlier support for children and young people with neurodevelopmental needs.

The service, **New Way Support**, offers personalised advice, guidance and practical help based on need rather than diagnosis for families who are navigating concerns about autism, ADHD and other neurodevelopmental differences.

The service has been commissioned by Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) and will be delivered by Spring North in partnership with local community organisations that are specialists in supporting children, young people and families.

Families can self-refer at:

<https://springnorth.org.uk/projects/neu-way-support/>  
or call 0300 365 5030.

## SPOT LIGHT ON SCHOOL COUNCIL...

Our School Councils represent the views of all our pupils. They give children the opportunity to make their voices heard and feel part of the whole school community.

It is composed of representatives from all classes.

If children want to become a School Council member they have to present a manifesto to the rest of the class. This will tell the class why they should vote for them! After the voting is over there are two representative from each class. Our councilors will be announced in our worship next Friday.

What does the School Council do?

The School Council meets regularly. Everyone in school is informed as the meeting minutes are read out. A proper agenda is written before each meeting by one of the School Council members.

What does it do when it meets?

The School Council discuss matters brought up by members of each class. They also put forward ideas which they feel will improve the school. They vote for ideas which they feel should be carried forward. Sometimes ideas may be turned down by the Head teacher, for example if the school couldn't afford it, or if there were too many non uniform days or bun sales!!!

## OUR FIRST FEW WEEKS IN SCHOOL... EYFS...

EYFS have been settling into school life. They have now completed their first full day. They are having a lovely time exploring all their new resources and getting to make new friends and build positive relationships with the adults in the class. Take a look at their first day pictures!

<https://www.st-peters-burnley.lancs.sch.uk/page/?title=Our%20First%20Day%20At%20School&pid=715>



Ninja Coffee will be  
back this year!  
Rawcliffe Street  
Last Friday of the  
month  
7.45am to 8.45am

## YEAR 1 & 2...

Year 1 have enjoyed writing their own verse of the nursery rhyme 'Hickory, dickory dock' using rhyming words. We have also started to learn all about the human body and the different senses. In RE, we have enjoyed making our own creations linked to nature using lots of different resources. In Art, we have investigated different ways of mark making using a range of different media.

Year 2 have settled in well and enjoyed a busy start to the term! They have explored our St Peter's CAP values, Courage, Achievement and Pride and begun their English unit based on The Way Home for Wolf by Rachel Bright. A little wolf cub, Wilf, has joined the class and is busy keeping an eye on learning! They have shared their favourite books and designed front covers for the book corner. They have learnt about Respectful Learning and have been learning to take turns, disagree kindly and contribute respectfully. They have also discussed the role of a School Councillor and are looking forward to a fantastic term of learning together!

## YEAR 3 & 4...

Year 3 have loved exploring new topics, including meeting Paddington in English, who brought them marmalade sandwiches to try and learning about the life of LS Lowry in Art. Their detective skills have been tested in Science when they used their knowledge of animals and their diets to work out who stole the picnic and in History, they're working out who a flint tool belonged to! Mrs Plowes and Mrs Jan are so proud of the children's behaviour for learning and hard work and are excited for the year ahead.

Since coming back, Year 4 have been enjoying finding out about Loch Ness and the Loch Ness monster and discussing whether they think it is real or just legend. They have found out lots of information that they didn't know before. They have begun learning about teeth, the different types and the job they do as well as beginning an enquiry into ancient Egypt in history and trying to think like an historian. The class also thoroughly enjoyed their first afternoon swimming and are looking forward to their next lesson.

## YEAR 5 & 6...

This week, Year 5 have been busy exploring creativity, storytelling and science.

In Art, the children have begun creating beautiful self-portraits inspired by the famous artist Gustav Klimt. In English, we have been learning about The Legend of Gelert. The children used story mapping techniques to help them understand and retell the tale, identifying key events and exploring the structure of the story. In Science, they have been researching the life cycles of animals. We have been very impressed with the enthusiasm, creativity and curiosity shown by all the children throughout the week. Well done, Year 5! ★

Year 6 have had a fantastic first week back and have quickly settled into their new routines and learning. In Literacy, the children have begun reading The Nowhere Emporium and have used their imagination to write short descriptive poems inspired by images from the text. In Mathematics, they have been exploring the place value of seven-digit numbers using place value counters to deepen their understanding of large numbers.

In Art, Year 6 have been drawing repeated patterns and experimenting with different designs, while in Science they have been describing and comparing the characteristics of different animals. Our History lessons have encouraged thoughtful discussion, as the children used a range of images to investigate the slave trade and generated insightful questions to help them understand this important period in history.

## LEARNING POWER HEROES...

Year 1: Elsie received the pride award for taking pride in her writing this week.

Year 2: Sumayyah received the achievement award for putting 100% effort into everything she does! What a fantastic achievement!

Year 3: William received the courage award for always being ready to have a go and share ideas.

Year 4: Eesa received the pride award for being proud of his writing and wanting to do his best.

Year 5: Ahyan received the courage award for always trying his best, even when its challenge.

Year 6: Amira received the pride award for her presentation and attention to detail in her literacy work.

Purple: Humaira achieved the courage award for welcoming new challenges.

**AT ST PETER'S, WEARING YOUR CAP (COURAGE, ACHIEVEMENT AND PRIDE) MEANS SHOWING OUR SCHOOL VALUES THROUGH OUR WORDS, ACTIONS AND ATTITUDES EVERY DAY.**

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