



WEEKLY NEWSFLASH



Week 9 - Autumn Term 2025 - Friday 7th November

Dear Parents/carers,

This afternoon we had our first Parent Class Rep meeting and it was really helpful to hear feedback on a range of areas of school life, which I will action over the next few weeks. Thank you if you shared your views with your Class Rep via the year group WhatsApp for this meeting.

It's been a busy week at St. Peter's and we have a busy weekend ahead, with our firework event tonight, open morning tomorrow (for children starting school next September) and the village Remembrance parade on Sunday!

One of our charity reps will also be collecting donations for CHILDREN IN NEED at the monthly COFFEE ON THE KERB event, which is tomorrow morning (11 am - 1 pm) at 17 and 19 Mallard Way.

Have a lovely weekend everyone,

Mrs Maurice, Headteacher

Year 6 - Remembrance

Today Y6 went to St. Peter's church to participate in a Poppy Cross Service. Children read eulogies for local people who served in both WWI and WWII. The children have also made poppies from clay to display in the Church for Remembrance Sunday.



Horsham Museum visit Starfish & Octopus

YR had an exciting visit from Petra and Lola from Horsham Museum this week. They brought along lots of old toys for us to find out about and explore. We discovered that children used to have a dolly made from a spoon or a peg, or even wax! We were apprehensive when Petra wanted to show us a poisonous toy...and discovered they were little metal pigs! Petra explained that lead metal was dangerous and we all carefully washed our hands after we explored the metal toys. We had great fun touching and playing with lots of different toys and over the next few weeks we will be thinking about our question 'How have toys changed?'. Thank you very much to Horsham Museum for such a fascinating and hands on experience.



LIBRARY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Library Service has reported that the Summer Reading Challenge went really well with 26% of children from St. Peter's taking part. In addition St. Peter's was in the top 3 schools for the number of children in the whole of the Horsham District. Well done everyone!

We have also been advised that Henfield Library will be temporarily closed between Tuesday 18th November and Friday 5th December. This is for refurbishment and we look forward to visiting our 'new look' library when it re-opens.

Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas lunch, provided by Chartwells will be on Wednesday 17th December. The menu is attached to this Newsflash email and can be booked via ParentPay.

BBC Children in Need Friday 14th November

Please help raise money for disadvantaged children and young people around the UK.



Make a donation and wear something yellow or spotty, fancy dress or superhero outfits.

Year R September '26 Open Events

Sat. 8th November, 10.00am;
Wed. 12th November, 9.30am;
Fri. 14th November, 2.00pm



Please scan the QR code for further information



Reporting an absence?, or change in collection arrangements? - Please use absence@stpetershenfield.org.uk

Respectful, resilient, resourceful and always aiming high!

Congratulations to our **Y5/6 Basketball** teams who play in the locality tournament on **8th October**. Both teams played 3 games and won 3 games and I'm please to announce that they will both be able to play in the Southern Area Basketball Finals on Tuesday 9th December.



On Wednesday 22nd October, just before half term, our **Y3 & Y4 Cross Country Team** took part in our annual locality cross country event. I was really impressed with all the children but in particular especially proud of Rieko's resilience in completing the race despite losing his shoe a couple of times. The Y4 boys absolutely smashed their race, with Jack, Zach and Ethan finishing 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Well done to all the children.

Yesterday, our **Y5 & Y6 Cross Country Team** took part in their locality Cross Country event at Steyning Primary School. It was the perfect weather for an afternoon run and all the children were excited to get moving. Individually, we had some fantastic finishes with Casper 1st, Teddy 3rd and Ollie 6th in the Y6 boy's race, Izzy 3rd in the Y6 girl's race, Nell 2nd, Summer 3rd, Jess 4th in the Y5 girl's race and Seb 1st, Herbie 3rd, Noah 4th in the Y5 boy's race. We won the Y6's boys race on points and both the Y5 boy's and girl's race on points which meant we won the event over all. Well done to all the children who took part, they were all superstars despite a few wobbles at the start of some of the races.

A big thank you to all the parents that help get the children to these fantastic sporting events. It really isn't possible without your continued help. Over the next few weeks we have quite a number of home and away events. Please can I ask you to fill in the consent form as soon as possible to avoid me chasing you.



Dates for the diary... (New entries/changes in red)

November

- Sat 8th: St. Peter's Open Morning - YR 26/27. 10.00am - 12.00pm
- Wed 12th: St. Peter's Tour - YR 26/27, 9.30 - 10.30am
- Thurs 13th: The Nest Open Hour (Children who have English/Maths support) 9.00 - 10.00am
- Thurs 13th: Y5 Residential Meeting, 3.30pm in Polar Bears Classroom**
- Fri 14th: Children in Need Fundraising Day
- Fri 14th: St. Peter's Tour - YR 26/27, 2.00 - 3.00pm
- Thurs 20th: YR Phonics Workshop for Parents, 9.00am
- Fri 21st: Celebration of Work for Parents, 2.30pm
- Tues 25th: Y6 Height and Weight Check by School Nurse Team**
- Tues 25th: YR Class Museum Parent/carer drop in, 3.15pm**
- Wed 26th: Y1/Y2 Sports Enrichment Morning - PE kits to be worn**
- Thur 27th: Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 Sports Enrichment Morning - PE kits to be worn**
- Fri 28th: PTA School Disco's: YR - Y3 5.00 - 6.00pm; Y4 - Y6 6.30 - 8.00pm**

December

- Tues 9th: YR Nativity, 9.30 - 10.30am - ticket information to follow
- Wed 10th: YR Nativity, 9.30 - 10.30am - ticket information to follow
- W/c 15th: Christmas Jumper Week - all week!
- Tues 16th: EYFS/KS1 Christingle at St. Peter's Church, 9.30am
- Tues 16th: KS2 Lessons & Carols at St. Peter's Church, 10.30am
- Wed 17th: Christmas Lunch by Chartwells