



# St. Peter's CE Primary School

## WEEKLY NEWSFLASH








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**Week 2 – Spring Term 2026 - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As I write I am enjoying seeing some blue sky - the weather has certainly been a bit too wet and wild this week! Children and staff have been resilient and tried to get outside for some fresh air when it hasn't been raining too hard.

Those of you with children in years 1-6 will recall that we changed our timetable last spring so that we all followed the same morning structure. This had the positive impact we hoped for in terms of having predictability and managing pupils' cognitive load over the morning. We feel that our timetable would benefit from a little tweak to allow our younger children to settle and connect in class first thing and further manage everyone's cognitive load over the morning. Here is our 'timetable tweak' which I have shared with the children this morning.

<b>8:45</b> <b>Target Time</b> 	<b>9:00</b> <b>English</b> 	<b>9:50</b> <b>Assembly</b> 	<b>10:10</b> <b>Maths</b> 	<b>11:00</b> <b>Play time</b> 	<b>11:20</b> <b>Reading + phonics/ spelling/ handwriting</b> 	<b>Lunch</b> 12:05 Y1 12:10 Y2-6 (EYFS 11:50) 
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Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Maurice

Headteacher

### CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS: NEWS AND LEARNING

#### 'Nest News'

We were very lucky to have Tony and his dog Cooper come to visit us last week. Tony is blind and has a guide dog called Cooper.

Tony shared with the children all the different ways Cooper can help Tony, he also told us about the 6 other guide dogs he has had in his life time. The children loved having cuddles with Cooper and asking Tony all of the questions they had prepared for him.

We discovered lots of interesting facts, such as how Tony gets up and down stairs with Cooper's help; the challenges of picking up your guide dogs poo; the training Cooper needed to have to be a guide dog and much more.



The children were so polite and respectful and I was proud of them all.

Mrs McNamara,  
Senco



#### Early Help Coffee Morning

We have the following Early Help Coffee Morning booked with Hazel Maxwell. Starting at 10:30 on Thursday 29th Jan in the Nest.

Topic is: Supporting my child to emotionally regulate.

Please confirm you are able to attend by emailing - [senco@stpetershenfield.org.uk](mailto:senco@stpetershenfield.org.uk)

## Reading Challenge

Well done to Jaxon (Y1) and Freya (Y6) who have completed our school reading challenge. That makes 15 children who have now completed the challenges. Stingrays class are also in the lead with the most books read. Certificates and totals are shared in our Monday assemblies.



## Times Tables Rock Stars

Y4 are dominating the TTRS leader board this week! The top 10 pupils for accuracy are all Y4 apart from one Y2. At the top of the leader board we have:



1. Redd (Y4)
2. Hugo B (Y4)
3. Bonnie (Y4)
4. Molly (Y4)
5. Harriet (Y5)

## Class Reps

We are still in need of Parent Class Reps for **Starfish, Puffins, Turtles, Seals** and **Penguins**. Please contact Alice in the office if you feel you can support your class. The next 2 meetings are being held on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 2.15pm and Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 2.15pm.

## STAFF VACANCIES

**MIDDAY MEAL SUPERVISOR** – We are looking for a Midday Meal Supervisor to join our team. Working 11.20am – 1.00pm Monday to Friday, term-time only. For further details please visit <https://stpetershenfield.org.uk/staff-vacancies/>

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

*There are spaces available in Tennis club. If you would like your child to join, please click on their website link below to book. Children will be collected from school at the main playground gates and walked by a member of Henfield Tennis club to the courts.*

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/JoergSchlueterCoaching/Coaching/Course/4045e96c-9659-457a-b42a-34aaecee2a65>

## PTA POST! NEWS, EVENTS AND WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

We're kicking things off this year with a fun fundraising challenge that we hope the children (and grown-ups!) will enjoy...

### Fund-Raisins Week - 19th to 26th January

Every child will be bringing home a mini box of raisins as part of our **Fund-Raisins** challenge. Once they've enjoyed their snack, they'll use the empty box to collect cash throughout the week by earning it through acts of kindness and helpfulness at home or in the community.

The class that raises the most will win a whole class treat. It's a simple, feel-good way to start the year and support the school!

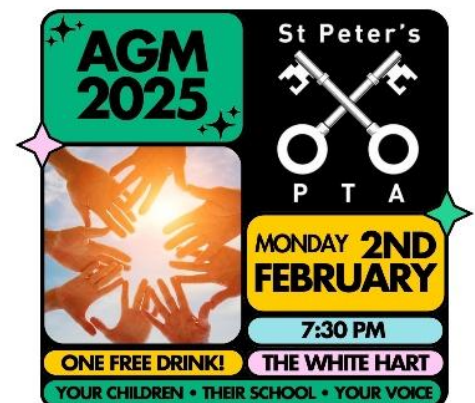
### Rescheduled AGM - 2nd February 19:30, The White Hart

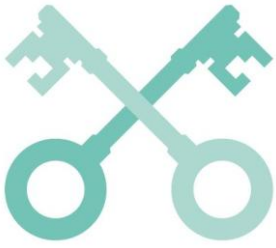
Our **Annual General Meeting** has been rebooked for Monday 2nd February, and we'd love to see as many of you there as possible.

We'll be reviewing last year, sharing our plans for the year ahead, and formally adopting our move to a PTFA.

Everyone from the wider school and village community is welcome, this is the perfect chance to have a say, give feedback and suggestions on our fundraising for your children's school.

Thanks, as always for your continued support. Lots more exciting things to come this term.





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### HENFIELD HAPPENINGS: NEWS FROM OUR VILLAGE COMMUNITY

If you are a young person, parent, grandparent or generally concerned about knife crime and the impact it has on everyone affected, come along to Henfield's Youth Club event on January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7.30 pm at the Youth Club.

They will have visiting speaker Martin Cosser who tragically lost his son to knife crime at a party local to us !!!

ALL WELCOME- for more information please visit his website [www.charliespromise.org](http://www.charliespromise.org)

### DATES FOR THE DIARY (NEW ENTRIES/CHANGES IN RED)

#### JANUARY

Wed 21st: Y6 Young Voices Concert at the O2

Fri 30<sup>th</sup>: Class Reps Meeting, 2.15pm

#### FEBRUARY

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup>: PTA AGM, 7.30pm – The White Hart Pub

Thur 5<sup>th</sup>: YR stargazing, 5.30pm

w/b 9<sup>th</sup>: Y6 Bikeability

Fri 13<sup>th</sup>: Celebration of Work, 2.30pm

w/b 16<sup>th</sup>: Half-Term

Fri 27<sup>th</sup>: Y5 HET Performing Arts Day – details to follow

#### MARCH

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup>: World Book Day

Fri 6<sup>th</sup>: Y5 Class Assembly for Parents, 2.45pm

Wed 11<sup>th</sup>: Y1/Y2 Sports Enrichment morning (PE kits)

Fri 13<sup>th</sup>: Y3 – Y6 Sports Enrichment morning (PE kits)

Wed 18<sup>th</sup>: Y1 Production, 2.30pm – details to follow

Thurs 19<sup>th</sup>: Y1 Production, 2.30pm – details to follow

Fri 20<sup>th</sup>: Comic Relief 'Red Nose' Day

Fri 20<sup>th</sup>: Class Reps Meeting, 2.15pm



TO BOOK PLACES ON OUR WRAP AROUND PROVISION – TOUKIES AND FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. PLEASE VISIT:

<https://stpetershenfield.org.uk/toukies-wrap-around-care/>

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Little raisins, big helpers...  
Small box, big heart!

**19 - 26 JANUARY**

**How it works:**

- ♥ Every child gets a mini box of raisins.
- ♥ They munch the raisins & keep the empty box.
- ♥ They earn cash by being kind and helpful at home and in the community.
- ♥ Fill the box with cash over the week.
- ♥ Class that 'raisins' the most wins a treat!