



St. Peter's Roman Catholic Primary School

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7th February 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

It's been a very busy few weeks at St. Peter's with everyone settling into their classes and working well; the children are energised and eager to learn. Learning is our core purpose; and we champion challenge and learning within a safe environment, where all are helpful, considerate and respectful of each other.

In the run up to half term I would like to bring your attention to the following:-

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: If your child has returned a consent form and is attending an after school club, they need to be committed to attend each week for either the autumn, spring and/or summer terms. If they do not, this creates a safeguarding concern for the school and it can take up a lot of club time trying to locate missing children. If your child is not able to attend one week, or does not wish to continue in the club, please could you advise the school office, in advance.

ATTENDANCE: We keep a daily check on all attendance and have seen an overall improvement – this is great. Attendance awards are in place, good attendance is rewarded. Parents / Carers will be sent a letter if their child's attendance falls below 90%, meaning they are persistently absent. We are concerned with the increasing number of children who are arriving late on a regular basis. This is having a significant impact on their achievement and progress, as children are regularly missing vital input sessions and parts of lessons. **If late, you must sign your child in at the school office please. If your child is going to be absent from school, then please telephone us as soon as possible to inform us of the reason for the absence.**

Don't be late get through the gate!

Gate opens at 8.30 am / whistle 8.40 am / gate closes 8.50 am

Attendance up to 02.02.24

<u>Rosen</u>	<u>Seacole</u>	<u>Rashford</u>	<u>Thunberg</u>	<u>Ormrod</u>	<u>Overall</u>
90.28%	93.68%	95.27%	93.92%	91.43%	93.03%



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CLOTHING: Thank you for your support with our uniform policy. Please make sure your child wears warm coats, gloves, hats etc. during the winter season. It is essential that all items of clothing, bags, lunch boxes and book bags are named.

MOBILE PHONES AND SMART DEVICES: Please note that due to current safeguarding guidelines, children should not have mobile phones or smart devices in school, or any other device that connects directly to the internet and is capable of recording images, audio or video. This includes mobile phones and smart watches. Exception is made only for pupils whom consent has been granted, i.e. if a child walks home unaccompanied. In this instance any device brought into school is to be handed into the school office on arrival, where they are stored securely and then collected at the end of the day.



PARKING: We regularly receive calls from local residents to complain about cars blocking driveways or parking dangerously at the beginning and end of the school day. We are in contact with our local PCSO's who will make random checks in the future. Always remember that if you do not park in a sensible manner you may well endanger the life of a child or adult. The children's safety must be paramount and we would urge you all to try and be considerate to other road users, as well as to pedestrians and residents, when finding a suitable parking space. Thank you for your co-operation.

STAFFING: I am delighted to inform you that Miss Dyer is expecting a baby; we wish her and her family the very best of wishes at this exciting time.

In advance, may I wish you all an enjoyable and restful half term break; we look forward to the children returning on Tuesday 20th February.

Yours sincerely,

MRS E ARCHER
HEADTEACHER



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: *(Please note that more events will be added and some dates may change)*

Wednesday 7 th February	Rosen Class – Chinese New Year Workshop
Friday 9 th February	Non-uniform day for Children's Mental Health Week Finish for Half Term
Monday 19 th February	Staff Professional Training Day (no children to attend)
Tuesday 20 th February	Children return to school
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Monday 11 th March	R/S and Year 6 NHS Heights and Weights British Science Week
Friday 15 th March	Non-uniform day for Comic Relief
Tuesday 26 th March	Y3-4 Basketball Festival
Thursday 28 th March	Maundy Thursday Finish for Easter break
Monday 15 th April	Children return to school
Thursday 2 nd May	Polling Day – school is open as normal
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Monday 13 th May	KS2 SATs week
Friday 24 th May	Finish for half term
Monday 3 rd June	Staff Professional Training Day (no children to attend)
Tuesday 4 th June	Children return to school
Tuesday 23 rd July	End of School Year