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St Peter's CE Primary School

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First newsletter of the new school year and it has been a very positive start to 2025-2026. The children have been responding well in class and there has been plenty of excellent learning. Thanks for all the sign ups for clubs as well. Most of these will be starting next week. For a couple of clubs there were insufficient sign ups to make them worthwhile so we haven't been able to go forward with these. Apologies for this.

Finally, just a reminder that all children really should come to school with a coat. We do our best to ensure that children get out to play even if it is raining a little so some sort of waterproof coat is essential. One final reminder is that we already have lost property building up. We return as much to children as we can but is virtually impossible to do this if items are not named. Please add your child's name to items - especially school jumpers!

Coming up in the next two weeks of school...

At the moment the school diary is looking pretty quiet – this will not last!

	Wk beginning 15 September	Wk beginning 22 September
Monday	11plus day – good luck to those Year 6	Y6 Bikeability starts
	pupils taking it.	
	Y4-6 Cross country after school	
Tuesday	Full Governing Body Meeting 5pm	
Wednesday	Chris Penn (former headteacher and	Friends of St Peter's Meeting 2pm
	Director of Education for the Diocese)	
	visiting school	
Thursday		
Friday		

Couple of additional dates for you coming up:

- Tuesday 30 September Share the Learning 1 8.50am 9:15am
- Wednesday 1 October 3:45pm Online Safety Workshop for Parents



Enrichment Fund

Many thanks to all those who have submitted a voluntary contribution to school for this year so far. This was something that always happened in the past. Governors have been keen to reintroduce and it was also suggested to me by some long-standing parents. So far we have raised £800 which is fantastic. Thank you! It is of course entirely voluntary, but it will make a big difference

and we will be leaving the payments open on ParentPay until the end of September.

Annual Governors Report

The Governors at St Peter's provide excellent support, challenge and accountability for the school. They are led with experience and expertise by John Dowler. John's children came to St Peter's and he had a long career of leadership in secondary schools in different parts of the country, with his final post being head at Helsby High school. This week we released the Annual Governors Report to Parents and I would recommend you read it. It can be found on the daily email from Monday or on the school website.

https://www.stpeters-heswall.wirral.sch.uk/goto/258750?slug=reports_and_documents

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Harvest

It's starting to get towards the time of the year when we think about the Harvest festival. We will be having a short harvest service at St Peter's church on the morning of October 6th. We will be collecting for the Charles Thompson mission as usual this year (https://charlesthompsonsmission.org/) and we would like you to send in donations on the morning of October 6th. More detail about this nearer the time but just wanted to give you a heads up.

SmartPhone Workshop for Parents

We will be holding a short workshop for parents about online safety for children, focusing on the issue of smartphone use in children on Wednesday 1 October at 3:45pm in the school hall and I would really urge you to attend if possible.

In this 45-60 minute workshop, we will explore some of the key issues affecting children and their digital lives, including screen time, smartphone usage, online scams, AI, online gaming, and inappropriate content. We will also share practical family guidance on parental controls and simple steps you can take at home to support your child's digital wellbeing. The session will be led by Alan Ellis from Knowsley Council Information Technology Department.

Staying
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Online

We hope you can join us for this very important and informative session. We will be providing supervision for your children in one or two of the classrooms. Further details and a sign-up sheet will come out shortly but

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Reception 2026

It's that time of the year when we are showing prospective parents around the school with a view to filling our Reception 2026 places. We have 30 spaces available and want to fill them all some please do recommend us to anyone you know that might be looking for a place. We do individual walk rounds for new parents and all they need to do is call the school office to book in. We have shared this flyer on our social media channel – please help to share it far and wide if you can. Many thanks.



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Worship

In worship we have been thinking about our school values, Reverend Martin is leading a series on stories from the Bible and Mrs Collins is doing lots of great songs. We have updated the names of the house teams this year. These were decided by the school council last year. They all follow the theme of diversity and are as follows:









In worship over the next few weeks we are learning about the new house teams and how these individuals represent elements of diversity as well as how they have demonstrated some of our St Peter's values.

Final Prayer

As a church school I always think it is good to end the newsletter with a prayer for the weekend.

Dear Lord,

Thank You for getting us through this week.

We're grateful for rest, for loved ones, and for little joys.

Help us use this weekend to recharge,

to be present, and to find peace.

Amen.

Have a lovely weekend.

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