



NEWSLETTER WEEK 6 TERM 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot quite believe that we are at the end of yet another academic year and what a year it has been! Next week is extremely busy, so please do read the newsletter carefully. **Please also note that school finishes on Friday 17th July at 1.15pm.**

Our school value for this term is Courage.

'Be strong and courageous, do not be frightened or dismayed for God is with you wherever you go'

Joshua 1:9

'What would life be if we had no courage to try anything?'

Vincent Van Gogh

TERM DATES 2026-2027

Term 1 - Thursday 3rd September - Friday 23rd October

New reception class start on Monday 7th September

Term 2 - Tuesday 3rd November - Friday 18th December

Term 3 - Monday 4th January - Thursday 11th February

Term 4 - Monday 22nd February - Thursday 25th March

Term 5 - Monday 12th April - Friday 28th May

Term 6 - Monday 7th June - Tuesday 20th July

INSET DAYS 2026-2027 (school closed to children)

Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September

Monday 2nd November

Friday 12th February

Wednesday 21st July

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please remember when buying new school shoes/trainers for PE, from September children will require trainers to be completely black. We will not accept any colour on the trainer, no matter how small.

HAIR BANDS

Despite several reminders, we are still seeing children arrive in school with elaborate hair bands, bows and clips. Hair bands should be plain and white, black or blue. Where slides are required to keep hair back, these should be plain black, white or blue as well. Please keep the more colourful and elaborate hair accessories for outside of school.

DOLPHINS FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all those who supported the Dolphin's bird dress up day and donated money to RSPB. We will send you the total once the money has been counted!

SUMMER FAIR

On Wednesday 15th July, we will be having our summer fair at 2.00pm in the playground. Please collect your child at 2.00pm on that day, so that you can attend the fair with them.

LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY AND AWARDS CEREMONY

On Thursday 16th July, we have our Leavers' assembly and annual awards ceremony. You are very welcome to join us and share in the celebrations. The event will be held in the hall at 1.45pm.

LEAVERS' MASS

Leavers' Mass will be held at 9.00am in St Peter's Church on Friday 17th July. Everyone is welcome to join us.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW VICAR

Some of you will already be aware, but on Tuesday 7th July, Fr Martin Warner was installed as the new vicar of St Peter's Church. Fr Martin previously held the post of the Bishop of Chichester and is very passionate about education. I have already met with Fr Martin and I am very excited that he will be working closely with the school from September. Fr Martin is planning to attend various school events next week, so please do say hello if you see him!

STAFFING FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

At the end of this academic year, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Lord who is retiring to enjoy more time with her granddaughter. Mrs Lord has been at St Peter's for nearly 11 years and will be greatly missed. I would like to express my sincere thanks to Mrs Lord for all her hard work and dedication to the children of St Peter's. From September, we will be welcoming Mr Moore who will be joining St Peter's as a Teaching

Assistant in Shark Class. Mr Moore has a lot of experience working in Year 5 and Year 6 and the children spoke very positively about him when he came to interview.

The staffing for September will be as follows:-

Penguins - Mrs Goodwin, Miss Rayner and Mrs Jessop

Turtles - Mrs Hebdon and Miss Cornell (PM only)

Dolphins - Miss Manning and Mrs Long

Seahorses - Mrs Bradbeer, Mrs Rodacan and Miss Philpott

Sharks - Miss Collins, Miss Wynn and Mr Moore

MORRISONS CAFÉ FREE BREAKFAST

Between 29th June and 6th September 2026, families can access free Kellogg's breakfasts in all Morrison's Cafes. This is available to both children and adults, who can choose from much-loved favourites Corn Flakes or Rice Krispies, topped with their choice of dairy or non-dairy milk and a free apple or banana.

In addition to the Kellogg's Breakfast offer, Morrison's 'Kids Eat Free' offer will continue to run in all its Cafés, allowing families to enjoy a free meal and drink for one child aged 16 or under when they purchase an adult main meal costing over £5 from The Breakfasts and The Classics menu.

BIRTHDAYS

From 1st September 2026, we will no longer be allowing children to bring in treats to distribute to their friends to mark their birthday. There are several reasons for this, but the main ones being to ensure we comply with the guidance issued by the DFE around school food policies and also to reduce any pressure on families to provide treats when it is a child's birthday. Instead children will be able to mark their birthday by wearing their own clothes to school. If their birthday falls over a weekend or during the school holidays, they may wear their own clothes on the first day back at school after their birthday.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 13th July 1.30pm - Sharks Production

Tuesday 14th July 2.30pm - irock Concert

Wednesday 15th July 2.00pm - Summer Fair (Please collect children at 2.00pm)

Wednesday 15th July 6.00pm - 7.30pm - Year 6 Leavers' disco (Year 6 only)

Thursday 16th July - 1.45pm - Awards ceremony and leavers' assembly in the hall (everyone welcome)

Friday 17th July - 9.00am - Leavers' Mass (everyone welcome)

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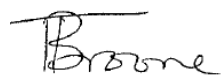
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Have a lovely weekend!



Mrs Toni Browne (Headteacher)