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A Super Sports Day at St. Peter's and lots of end of term achievements!

Thank you to all our families for their support at the recent Sports Days. Everyone from Rising 3s up to Year 6 took part across three days of sporting events, helping to showcase the talent and enthusiasm of our pupils. It was great to see personal determination, super effort and individual success as the children competed in this year's events. The message of having fun in sport, enjoying being active and achieving personal and collective success was clear for all to see. Thank you to our families for their enthusiastic support of these events and for your feedback about the format of Sports Days. We're so glad you enjoyed it!

In recent days, we have also had great sporting success at the Future Generation Trust Athletics competition including races, track and field events. The Year 3 boys and both Year 5 boys teams came 2nd overall and the Y5 girls placed 3rd overall in their competition. Well done to the 32 pupils who represented our academy so well and especially to our winners.

We have also been informed that our Year 5 classes both passed their Royal London School of Music exams with distinction and Year 6 will undertake their exams next week. We also had a passing out parade for the Junior Police Cadets from Key Stage 2 who have completed their training with the PCSO team.

"A mind that is stretched by experience can never go back to its old dimensions."

Oliver Wendell Holmes

Teachers and Classes for September 2023

In preparation for transition to the new academic year, please find details below of the new classes for September 2023.

Current Class	Current Teacher(s)	Will become Class	With their Teacher(s)
REB	Mrs Brown	1P	Miss Page
REH	Mrs Hayward	1H	Mrs Hadley
1H	Mrs Hadley	2M	Miss Male
1B	Mrs Brown	2S	Mrs Stefano
2A	Mr Ashley	3ST	Mrs Stevens/ Mrs Tallent-Wells
2M	Miss Male	3S	Mrs Sumner
3S	Mrs Sumner	4CW	Mrs Cresswell/ Mrs Walsh
3WY	Mrs Yates/Mrs Walsh	4S	Miss Smith
4NC	Mrs Cresswell	5B	Miss Broadway
4S	Miss Smith	5T	Mr Turner
5T	Mr Turner	6G	Miss Griffiths
5D	Miss Davies	6S	Mr Sutton

To help the children get to know a little about their new teacher before our transition days later in July, we have prepared an introduction information sheet about them which you can share with your child in the coming days. These can be found online at: <https://www.stpeters-keys.com/meet-the-teacher>

Welcome to our new teaching staff

I am pleased to announce that there are several new members of teaching staff joining us at St. Peter's from September, all who have chosen to further their careers at our academy. In September, the academy will be joined by Mr Andy Sutton, Miss Ellie Broadway, Mrs Emerald Tallent-Wells, Mrs Cacherelle Stefano and Miss Laura Page. All members of staff have already met with current class teachers to complete a handover of information for their new classes and all new staff are joining us for at least one of the transition days in our last two days of this year - dependent on them being released from their teaching commitments at their current schools. This will help to introduce them to the children and to help a smooth transition for September.

Mr Ashley continues his teaching role at St. Peter's but will be based across several year groups next year.

Transition Resources and Transition Days

In just a few weeks, all our pupils will be moving into their new classrooms and getting to know their new teachers. All new pupils starting St. Peter's will also be invited to attend these transition days. Our transition days (on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st July) have been designed to help pupils get into new routines ready for September, to build a relationship with their new teacher and to know what to expect when they return to school after the summer break. The last day that the children will spend with their current teacher will be Wednesday 19th July. Full details of timings, entrances and exits and staffing for the transition days will be published to parents via email and on our academy website during w/c 10th July.

Parents Evenings 12th and 13th July 2022

Parents for children from Nursery (not Rising 3s) to Year 6 should have received booking information for this year's final parents evening. Please book your 10-minute appointment slot to speak with your child's class teacher and review this year's academic report. Parents will be able to visit their child's classroom, review their books and get an update on progress and targets from the teacher before transition to the new year group begins.

For parents who wish to discuss their child with the academy's SENCO, Mrs Corbett, please contact the academy office via phone or email to make a separate appointment to see her.

We strongly encourage Year 6 pupils to attend their appointment with their parents to reflect on their time at St. Peter's. For all other appointments, we ask that children do not attend with their parents so that the discussion's held between parents and staff during the evening can be open and honest.

Academic Reports

Academic reports for the 2022/23 school year will be published to parents on 11th July. They will also include an attendance certificate for each pupil for the entire academic year. For those year groups where statutory assessment has been made this year, any results will also be provided alongside the academic report. Parents are invited to discuss their child's report and review their child's work at parents evening, which is being held on the days immediately after the reports are published.

Feel Good Friday

On Friday 14th July we will be marking the last Feel Good Friday (FGF) of the academic year focusing on 'learning a new skill'. Children can come to school in non-school uniform on this day and should bring with them a plastic bag for them to bring home their books from this academic year before the end of the term. During the day, the whole school will be learning a new skill and we can't wait to show you what it is!

Year 6 End of Term arrangements

Year 6 parents are asked to read the arrangements for the end of term, including the Year 6 performance of 'Olivia', the Leavers Party, Leavers service and the enrichment days. This letter has been emailed to you for your records.

Children eligible for Free School Meals, who wish to have a packed lunch provided by school for the enrichment days should contact the academy office to arrange this by 12pm on Friday 14th July. If no contact is made, it will be assumed that you intend to provide a packed lunch both days (20th and 21st of July).

Friends of St. Peter's 'End of Term Events'

With the end of term fast approaching, the Friends of St. Peter's want to mark the end of a successful year for our academy and our pupils. They have planned an 'inflatable fun' end of term party for the final week of term and it would be great if as many children as possible could attend to celebrate the end of the school year. Tickets cost £5 in cash on the day, including unlimited use of the inflatables (assault course, helter skelter and bouncy castle), drinks, snacks and an ice cream/ice lolly.

The events will be held on the academy field and may be cancelled due to the weather on the day. Drop off for the event will be via the academy main entrance. Collection will be on the KS2 playground, accessed from Church Hill.

Date	Time	Year Groups
Tuesday 18 th July	4pm - 5.30pm	Reception and Year 1
	5.45pm - 7.15pm	Year 2 and Year 3
Wednesday 19 th July	3.30pm - 5pm (straight from school - change of clothes needed)	Year 4 and Year 5
	6pm - 8pm	Year 6 Leavers Party - details, arrangements and cost (£8) sent separately.

Nursery and Rising 3s will be able to access the inflatables as part of their school day on Wednesday 19th July (which coincides with Nursery's Teddy Bear's Picnic - details below).

Any parents who are able to volunteer their time to support the smooth running of the events on either evening are asked to contact Mrs Lyndsey France, in the academy office.

Nursery Teddy Bear's Picnic – Wednesday 19th July

Nursery are holding a Teddy Bear's Picnic on the morning of Wednesday 19th July. Children are asked to come to school in party clothes and to bring one teddy with them. They will not require party food for this event.

Take 15 and Reading Books Return Date

Parents and pupils are kindly asked to return all Take 15 Home Learning, Maths booklets, spellings and reading books to school on Friday 14th July. This will help with our end of year procedures, ensuring all certificates can be written in time for the end of term and that all books are returned to the academy library. Thank you in advance for helping us with this.

Year 6 SATS revision books

Pupils who received English and Maths revision booklets in Year 6 are asked to make sure that they are returned to their class teacher as soon as possible, and no later than Monday 10th July please. We hope that the children have found these useful and we thank parents for returning them to school so that future cohorts of children can utilise them in preparation for their SATS in the coming years.

Summer holiday clubs – Lingotot (including HAF)

Over the six weeks holidays, Lingotot will be running holiday clubs here at St. Peter's using the Keystones building, our outdoor classroom and the school playing fields. Lingotot have been an established provider of holidays clubs for children from 5-11, and some of their dates are eligible for the HAF funding for Free School Meals children. To see what dates are available and to book places in provision, please visit <https://www.lingotot.com/centre/south-staffordshire> . HAF-funded places can be booked via the Staffordshire website using details sent out via email to eligible families.

INSET days for next academic year

Next year's school term dates are available online at:

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/termdates.aspx> and via our academy website. In addition to the dates listed, the academy has five INSET training dates to use during the year. On these dates, the academy is closed to all pupils but Keystones Holiday Club will be available for parents requiring childcare. In 2023/24, these training dates will be on:

Monday 4th September 2023

Tuesday 5th September 2023

Friday 27th October 2023

Monday 8th January 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Payments on School Money

As we approach the end of this academic year, please can all parents ensure that any outstanding debts to school are cleared. This is to ensure that our year-end procedures can be completed effectively and to avoid pursuing debtors to school. If parents need any support with payments, or wish to discuss their circumstances, please contact Rosie Chandler, the academy bursar, at your earliest convenience.

In addition to this, parents are asked to note that the functionality of the Teacher2Parents App (available from your App Store, developed by Edu Spot) is the best way to access your School Money account. If you have not done so already, it might be worth downloading this app to link to your existing account to make use of this school system more efficiently.

The office has also received several contacts from parents of children eligible for either Free School Meals or for Universal Free School Meals (in Reception to Year 2) where meal choices have not saved (and therefore been ordered). Parents are asked to ensure that all meal choices (even if there is no payment) are checked out in the basket to ensure meals are ordered for their children. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Year Groups involved
Tuesday 11 th July	Academic Reports published	Nursery to Year 6
Wednesday 12 th July	Parents Evening - In school	All Year Groups (except Rising 3s)
Thursday 13 th July	Parents Evening - In school	All Year Groups (except Rising 3s)
Friday 14 th July	Feel Good Friday - Learning a new skill	All Year Groups - non-school uniform
Monday 17 th July	Year 6 Show - 'Olivia'	Year 6 Parents 2pm and 6.30pm 2 tickets per child per performance
Wednesday 19 th July	Final Day with current class	All Year Groups
Wednesday 19 th July	Nursery Teddy Bear's Picnic	Nursery - details above
Thursday 20 th July	1 st Transition Day - new classes and new year groups	All Year Groups and incoming pupils
Friday 21 st July	2 nd Transition Day and Final Day of Term	All Year Groups and incoming pupils
Friday 21 st July	Year 6 Leavers Service 1.45pm	Year 6 and their parents in St. Peter's Church
Monday 4 th September	INSET training	School Closed to all pupils Keystones Holiday Club available
Tuesday 5 th September	INSET training	School Closed to all pupils Keystones Holiday Club available
Wednesday 6 th September	Pupils return to school	All Year Groups and new starters

Free School Meals Entitlement

Amid the ongoing hardships from the effects of the pandemic and the rising cost of living, some families may find that their circumstances have changed recently. You can apply online if you meet the [low income criteria](#). Remember, you can only claim free school meals if your child is going to be in Reception year or above when the meals begin.

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Educational-awards-benefits/FreeSchoolMeals/Apply-online.aspx> After completing an application, you can print a copy of the confirmation page to give to the school for meals to start immediately.



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MARKET OPENING TIMES

Monday 21st August
10 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 3 pm
Tuesday 22nd August
10 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 3 pm
Wednesday 23rd August
10 am - 12 pm and 5 pm - 7 pm
Thursday 24th August
10 am - 12 pm and 1 pm - 3 pm
Friday 25th August
10 am - 12 pm

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Donations can be made at:

Cannock Library - during normal opening hours

Hednesford Library - during normal opening hours

Hednesford Salvation Army - Monday to Thursday 2 pm until 5 pm

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