



# St. Peter's Post

Reach for the Sky

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## A great start to the year at St. Peter's

I have been incredibly impressed with the way that the children have started this term. They have settled into their new classes, quickly learned their daily routines and have been very eager to make great first impressions in person, and in their books, for the new school year. As I've walked around school and spoken to the children during their learning, their enthusiasm has been infectious and their care for each other is heart-warming. It is clear that the children hold our motto of 'Reach for the Sky' with great sentiment and seek to demonstrate this in their daily experience of school.

Our 'Reach for the Sky' motto epitomises the aims and vision of our school; we have shared five key attributes that we want to see and develop in every member of our school community. These attributes (shown below) are celebrated on a daily basis, recognising individual and collective efforts towards personal achievements as well as improvement.

I have every confidence that the children will continue to build on the firm foundation they have created for the year ahead, demonstrating these attributes as they continue to 'Reach for the Sky' in all they do. Well done Team St. Peter's!

**"Life is not a competition with others. Life is a competition with yourself—to do your personal best each day."**

*Cameron C. Taylor*



# Stars of the Week

## Friday 13th September

Archie Hill  
Kamren Garbett  
Harrison Cox  
Dougie Smart  
Macey Kelly  
Olivia Birks  
Georgia Burley  
Patrick Mistry  
Holly Hopwood  
Frankie Morgan  
Mia Norgate  
Oliver Ball  
Oscar Baskerville

Xavier Shran-Hunter  
Lucas-Tony Brown  
Jake Matthews  
Eva Fitch  
Joe Lynch  
Alex Malcolm  
Theo Corbett  
Jessica Bradbury  
Roxy Timmins  
Thomas Williams  
Keane Shorter  
Riley Dovey  
Kaden Norgate  
Caelyn Ettershank

## Friday 20th September

Darius Holland  
Leo Foster  
Freddie-Gray Small  
Harley Horwood  
Dawson Shorter  
Reece Auger  
William Bolger  
Elsa Aston  
Poppy Boughey-Marshall  
Charlie Lauclan  
Jacob Collier  
Riley Crowley  
Jessica Brindley  
Haydon Cope

Zakk Brown  
Frankie Clarke  
Luci Machell  
Lois Hubble  
Laila Holdcroft  
Charlie Cooke  
Charlie Stephens  
Madeline Wainwright  
Ryley Grew  
Summer Rose  
Reece Stokes  
Christian Cooper  
Max Moldowski  
Aston Mrozowski-Bryan

## Attendance this Week

REH	96.99%	3S	97.05%
REY	95.57%	4J	94.79%
1B	94.71%	4V	98.92%
1R	97.37%	5C	96.31%
2S	98.89%	5RT	96.68%
2A	97.78%	6G	96.17%
3NW	99.24%	6T	100%

Well done to 6T for the best attendance. The trophy is yours to keep for the week. Can we make it three 100% winners in a row?



Well done to Miss Rawlings' class for their 100% attendance in week 1 and being the first winners of our attendance trophy this year!

Our  
Attendance  
Target for  
this year is  
**96.7%**

So far this  
year, school  
attendance  
is  
**97.9%**

## Notices for Parents

### Home Reading in KS2

Many of the children have said how much they are enjoying reading the new texts from the KS2 reading library and it has been fantastic to hear children talking about favourite authors already. As part of our new approach to reading, it is very important that all children **bring their reading book into school every day**. This will enable them to read their book during Guided Reading, change it for a new text as soon as they are finished and to develop good daily reading habits. Thank you for your support with helping the children get used to this new daily routine for school.

### Changes to Break Charges

School has been informed by our supplier that the cost of the daily milk carton for children in Year 1 to Year 6 is increasing to 25p with effect from the 30th September. This means that break-time snacks can now be bought at the new prices of: 25p for a carton of milk and toast for 25p a slice. Please bring any change in a named purse.

### Parent Consultation Evenings

Parents Evenings for this term will be taking place on Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 25th October, between 4pm and 7pm. Appointments can be made by visiting <https://stpetersprimaryacademy.parenteveningsystem.co.uk/>

Bookings are open from Monday 30th September 2019.

Appointments to see the school SENCO can also be booked using this system. When you book you will see an option to add a teacher, choose the SEN class and the class teacher as Mrs Corbett an appointment can then be booked for both class teacher and Mrs Corbett.

### Official School Photography

The school photographer will be in school on **Thursday 7th November**.

Photos will be taken of individuals and families within the school. Should your child be absent on this day, there will be a follow up date when they will be able to have their photograph taken.

If you would like to have a photograph of your school age children with younger or older siblings, then the photographer will be available in the school hall from 8.15am.

### Nursery and Reception places September 2020

If you or someone you know is looking for a place in Nursery and Reception from September 2020, then come and visit us here at St Peter's. We will be hosting tours of our Early Years provision at 9.30am on:

**Tuesday 15th October 2019**

**Tuesday 5th November 2019**

Please phone or email the school office to let us know if you would like to join us on one of these visits.

Further information about Early Years can be found in the school prospectus, which is on the website, or by contacting the school office.

Don't forget we also offer 30 hours funded provision (if parents are eligible) as well as Nursery Lunch Club and Nursery Wraparound. See our website for more details and prices (if applicable).

### Travelling Book Fair

We are very excited to welcome back the 'Travelling Books' company to St. Peter's, giving you the opportunity to purchase books to read with your child. The school receives commission for the number of books sold which we invest into new, exciting books to support reading within school. The more books we sell, the more money we can spend on books for our school! The Fair starts in school on Monday 18th November and year groups will be invited to attend on certain days. Please watch this space for further information.

**This week in school:  
"Can you tell me about something new  
that you've learned this week?"**

## Reception

"I've been building a house with my new friends - it was tricky!"  
*Charlie*

"I've been practising drawing dinosaurs and cutting them out carefully with scissors."  
*Harrison*

## Year 1

"Today I've been comparing numbers; some are big and some are small. I'm on the rainbow because I am good at it."  
*Ella*

"This week we've learned about the greatest number. It means it's not the biggest number ever but it's bigger than the other numbers. I could use this when I'm shopping."  
*Zachary*

## Year 2

"We've been learning about Owl Babies. It's a story and we've been acting out the story like we are owl babies."  
*Paige*

"I've learned some new words in Maths; altogether tells me how much I have at the end when I am adding."  
*Lexi-Jo*

## Year 3

"We've been learning about 'The Day the Crayons Quit' and writing letters to the different crayons. We've been replying to the letters and trying to use two adjectives to describe the nouns."  
*Martha*

"This week I have learned how to edit a letter and make it better. Using a dictionary, I've checked spellings and made sure they are correct too."  
*Jess*

## Year 4

"We've learned about Tudors. Henry VIII had six wives; he had a son called Edward VI and he always wore clothes with jewels to show he was king."  
*Sienna*

"I've described the Scarecrow from the Wizard of Oz: he has a pointy nose, a black old cap and has an old, dark green jumper. I've been using powerful words to make him sound interesting."  
*Kai*

## Year 5

"I've learned about all the kings of England since 1066. King John was not very popular - the people revolted (they didn't listen to him). I still think Henry VIII is the best king."  
*Jake*

"David Hockney uses bright colours that you don't expect in his pictures. He mixes colours and uses a range of complimentary colours to make images stand out."  
*Gillian*

## Year 6

"In Science, I've learnt that about all the veins and arteries that connect to the heart and that to measure heart beats per minute, time your pulse for 30 seconds and times by 2."  
*Jamie*

"The heart is a major organ (and muscle). It is about the size of two fists in an adult and it pumps 8 pints of blood around your body. We've drawn a diagram of it and it has valves that controls the flow of blood."  
*Lucy*



## Important Dates for your Diary

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Year Groups involved</b>
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Y6 working with Chase against Crimes of Hate	Y6
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Y6 FOSP Bake Sale	All Year Groups 3.20pm KS2 Playground
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception Parents Meeting	Reception 6.30pm School Hall
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Friends of St. Peter's (FOSP) AGM 5.30pm	All Parents Welcome
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Reception and Y6 Heights and Weights (NHS)	Reception and Y6 See separate letter
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Y5 Deposits due for Standon Bowers	Y5
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Y4 Visit to The Ancient High House	Y4
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	EYFS Prospective Parent Visits	Prospective Parents
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Condover Residential Parents Meeting - 6pm	Y6
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Y6 Visit to Blists Hill	Y6
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parents Evening 4pm - 7pm	All Year Groups
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening 4pm - 7pm	All Year Groups
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Influenza Immunizations	Reception to Y6
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Break up for Half Term	All Year Groups
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	All pupils return to school	All Year Groups
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	EYFS Prospective Parent Visits	Prospective Parents
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	School Photographer	All Year Groups
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6 Residential to Condover	Y6
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET training day - school closed to pupils	All Year Groups - Keystones will be open
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5 Standon Bowers money due	Y5
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	FOSP Christmas Fayre	All Year Groups - afterschool
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	FOSP Christmas Discos	Year Groups 1 - 6
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas Holidays	All Year Groups at the end of the school day

## Useful Information

### Keystones Before and After School Club, including wraparound care.

Keystones Before & After School Clubs provide parents and carers with a flexible and friendly childcare service to pupils of St. Peter's Primary Academy.

Bookings: 01543 229308 (Miss Bullock between 8am and 2pm). Booking forms available on the website.

Email: [keystones@stpetersprimary.academy](mailto:keystones@stpetersprimary.academy)

Direct Landline to Keystones: 01543 229307

Services offered:

Breakfast Club

7.00am - 8.45am £5.60 (includes breakfast)

7.30am - 8.45am £4.60 (includes breakfast)

After School Club

3.10pm - 4:30pm £4:10

3.10pm - 6.00pm £7.00

4.20pm - 6.00pm £4.10

(Light tea is available for £1.00 extra)

After Nursery Club

3.30pm - 4.30pm £3.10

3.30pm - 6.00pm £6.00

(Light tea is available for £1.00 extra)

Prices listed above are correct as of the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019



*SATURDAY*  
*21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019*  
*'COFFEE MORNING'*  
*With Stalls & Raffle etc*  
*10 a.m. to 1 p.m.*  
*St. Peter's Church*  
*Church Hill*  
*HEDNESFORD*



## Free School Meals

Did you know that for every child registered for Free School Meals we get an extra £1,320 per year in our school budget? We continue to receive this extra funding for a further 6 years, even if your child is no longer eligible!

You may be entitled to Free School Meals depending upon your financial circumstances, and even if your child doesn't want to have a school meal, we would encourage you to register. Please go on-line and check as benefits to your family could also include remissions such as free educational visits. If in any doubt ask at the school office or visit:

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Educational-awards-benefits/FreeSchoolMeals/Apply-online.aspx>

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