



Dear Parents and Carers,

Step 1 on the roadmap out of lockdown is now within touching distance and although there's still a long way to go it definitely feels like the Home Learning phase of Lockdown 3.0 is coming to an end, hopefully for the last time. This is a huge relief for many parents but it's also a time when people may be anxious and nervous. We can only control what happens in our school but I know that St Peter's School will offer stability, routine and a safe, happy place for the children to learn.

Nursery News

What an amazing week we've had in Nursery with fun-filled book related activities, celebrating our love of reading! It has been such fun to delve into a different book each day, I hope you've been following us on Facebook to see the staff's chosen book each day? We loved seeing you all dressed up and read all of the books you brought in to share on Thursday. We've discussed characters, settings, the things that happen in the stories and what makes a book our favourite! We've enjoyed making lots of food treats this week; cats, rabbits, jam tarts and rainbow toast! We've explored colour with our story 'Winnie the Witch' and our feelings and emotions, too.

Please make sure everything brought into the nursery is named, including snacks and drinks.

We hope to restart our book sharing scheme after Easter.

Return to School - 8th March

We return to relative normality. Early and Late Clubs will restart on Monday and we're prepared for the children's return. School will feel much like it did in September with hand sanitising and social-distancing. Year groups and their teachers will be staying apart where possible but, most importantly, the children will be with their class teachers and friends in the real world again. The government has stated that school attendance is mandatory from Monday 8th March unless you have a letter instructing you to shield. Google Classrooms will remain open but will become less active. Teachers may still post homework and activities online for children who may be self-isolating or shielding. Please socially-distance on The Crescent and wear a face covering for all of our safety. Our staff will be wearing face coverings at drop-off and collection and they'll stay 2m away from you - please help keep them safe by staying back and remaining patient. Thank you.

Primary School Parent Lateral Flow Test

COVID-19 rapid lateral flow tests are now available to all families with primary aged children.

This testing is only for adults in the family - primary school aged children aren't being tested at this time unless they display COVID-19 symptoms in which case they should be booked in for a test at a local centre.



About 1 in 3 people with Coronavirus don't have symptoms but can still pass it on to others.

We hope all of our families will participate in twice weekly testing to help keep the school community infection free and minimise the risk of further disruption to learning. If you're already being tested through your workplace you don't need to take any additional action.

If you aren't accessing tests through your work, you can collect 2 packs of home test kits at a local collection point. Each pack contains 7 tests and is provided free of charge. In Kettering, the collection points are the London Road test site and the Kettering Conference Centre test site. Tests can be collected by anyone over 18. [Find your nearest home test kit collection point](#). If families are unable to collect test kits, it's possible to order these for delivery but the government has asked that you don't do this if you're able to get a test in another way as this will free up deliveries for those who need them most.

The full guidance is available here. https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff?utm_source=1%20March%202021%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19#history

PTA Mother's Day Gift

The PTA is providing materials for your child to make a Mother's Day gift at school. If you would like your child to take part, please purchase this for £5 via your ParentMail account.

The deadline for purchases is the end of the day on Tuesday 9th March.

World Book Day

What a fantastic excuse to dress up and have fun with books. We hope that everyone enjoyed diving into their favourite costumes and novels. I know the teachers did. Did you take part in the Masked Reader? We love books at St Peter's and during lockdown our library has had a make-over. We can't wait for all the children to be back and to enjoy the new seating and storage.

Trinity Term Clubs

As I've mentioned previously, we hope that clubs will be able to restart in the Trinity Term. Miss Wills will send out the club confirmations as most of the clubs from the Lent Term have rolled over to the next term. Hockey Club on a Monday is now Cricket Club, Rugby Club on Thursday is now Rounders Club and all other clubs remain the same. Unfortunately, Taekwondo and Cookery Club have been deferred until Michaelmas term. If you no longer wish your child to attend the club you had initially selected, please email the School Office and their name will be removed from the list.

Finally, a reminder that all children should be in full uniform from Monday unless it's their assigned PE or Games Day when they should arrive in school in their Sports kit. We hope that from Easter children will be able to get changed in school again.



PE and Games Days:

- Reception - Tuesday, Friday
- Year 1 - Tuesday, Friday
- Year 2 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Year 3 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- Year 4 - Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
- Year 5 - Monday, Tuesday, Friday
- Year 6 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Have a great weekend. We look forward to seeing more of you in person next week but remember, this isn't the end of lockdown. There are still strict national restrictions. Remain vigilant, follow the guidance and do your best to keep everyone in school safe.

Regards,

Mr Thomas

Headteacher

This week's menu can be found here <https://www.st-peters.org.uk/page/?title=Weekly+Menus&pid=112>