



St Peter's Preschool Parents' Information Meeting

Thursday 11th January 2024

The Staff

Mrs Jenna Jones

Preschool Leader

Mrs Donna Colwill

Preschool Leader

Mrs Karon Constable

Preschool Assistant

Miss Annie Thom

Preschool Assistant

Mrs Chrissie Wildman

Early/Late Club

Preschool staff are appropriately qualified, Paediatric first aid trained and have received safeguarding training



Other Staff

Mr Thomas

Headteacher/DSL

Mrs Ward

SENDCo

Mrs Capps

Bursar

Mrs Palmer

Music

Miss Chatwin

Ballet

Lunchtime staff

All school staff



**Excellent
Education and
Care**



ISI

Independent
Schools
Inspectorate

Focused Compliance and Educational Quality Inspection Report

St Peter's School

January/February 2023

“Pupils of all ages are excellent communicators. The youngest children know their basic sounds and enjoy playing word games to extend this skill.”

“EYFS children play independently and in small groups without direct adult supervision.”

“EYFS competently demonstrate emerging study skills.”

Routine

8:30	Preschool opens
	Free flow play
9:00	Timetabled extra learning activities
10:00	Circle time
10:15	Snack time and outside play
11:00	Circle time
11:30	Morning session ends. Lunch time
12:30	Afternoon session
	Free flow play
2:00	Snack time
3:00	Story and songs
3:15	Collection
3:30	Preschool closes

Any children not collected by this time will be registered with Late Club



Extra learning topics

Monday morning

French with Mrs Colwill

Tuesday morning

Cooking with Mrs Constable

Wednesday morning

Ballet (optional charge) with Miss Chatwin &
Mrs Constable

Share a story with your Key Person

Thursday morning

Music with Mrs Palmer

Friday morning

Outdoor learning with Mrs Jones, Mrs Colwill
& Miss Thom

Activities

All activities are planned around the 7 Areas of The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum:

Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Self regulation. Making relationships. Being independent.

Physical Development - Gross and fine motor skills.

Communication and Language - Listening and attention. Speaking.

Literacy - Principles of print. Phonics. Writing.

Mathematics - Number. Patterns. Shape.

Understanding the world - Past and present. People and cultures. Natural world.

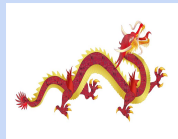
Expressive arts and design - Creating with materials. Being imaginative.



Themes and In the moment planning

Themes for the Lent Term

- Getting to know you.
- Winter activities (animals habitats and different climates).
- Celebrations: Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, Mothers Day, St Patrick's Day.
- Occupations.



Continuous provision - access to books, dressing up clothes, small world play, creative materials, messy play.

In the moment following the children's interests.

Working in Partnership With parents



Key Person Approach

During your child's initial settling in period they will be allocated a key person. This will enable your child to develop a bond with a member of the Preschool team who will then be responsible for working with you and your child to support their development. The key person will keep developmental records and write your child's report. However please note that the key person does not have sole responsibility for your child throughout the day and at times will not be the person giving you feedback.

Sharing information

Termly

Parents' evenings

Reports

Tapestry observations

Weekly

Facebook

Parentmail

Daily

In person

Whiteboard

Home/school book



Parentmail

Download the app onto your phone

- Changes to the day
- Accidents
- Report absences
- Order uniform - Payments, shop and search

<https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk/#core/login>

Share a story

On Wednesdays the children will spend time with their Key Person choosing a story to take home to share with their family.

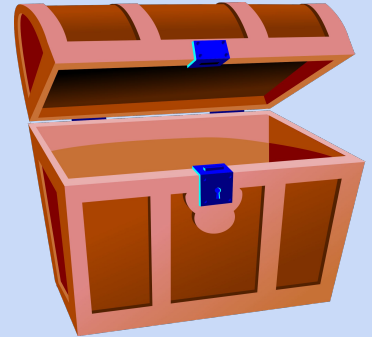
Sit and share the story, talk about the pictures, encourage the children to retell parts of the story or to anticipate what happens next.

Each half term we will have a share a story afternoon. You are invited to join us at 2:45pm to share a story with your child.



Treasure Box

Decorate a small box with your child and every week bring in an item from the list to share with everyone at Preschool.



Wow moments

Fill in a Wow moment when your child does something at home which they would like to share with everyone at Preschool.

The worksheet is titled "Wow Moment!" and contains four identical sections arranged in a 2x2 grid. Each section has a header with the title and a small illustration of a child. Below the header is a large rectangular box for writing. At the bottom of each section, there is a small box labeled "Date:" and a yellow starburst graphic with the word "Wow!" inside.

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Peter Bear

This is our travelling bear. He takes it in turn to go home with each child, usually when it is their birthday. Have lots of fun together and write about it in Peter's book. Your child can share their adventures with everyone at Preschool.



Essential items to be brought every day!



Illness and Medication

Children who have a temperature or are unwell, requiring medication should not be in school.

Please follow government guidance.

If your child becomes ill during the day we will contact you straight away.

Prescription medicines must be taken to the school office and a permission to administer form completed.

If unsure please ask.



Dates for your diary

Share a story - Wednesday 17th January and 13th of March 2:45pm

Easter bonnet parade - Wednesday 27th March 2pm till 3pm



Uniform/Clothes

To support your child's physical development and independence:

Jogging bottoms. No buttons or belts.

Shoes with velcro fasteners. No laces.

Sun hats during the warm weather.

Hats/gloves/scarves during the cold weather.

Apron if they stay for lunch.

Spare clothes - the children will get wet and dirty!

Backpack

Everything must be named!!!!!!

Lunch and Snacks

All lunches and snacks are healthy and nutritious.

At lunchtime the children are encouraged to have at least a little bit before they have any dessert. The children are always offered fresh fruit as an alternative.

If your child stays for lunch they need a lunch apron.

If your child has a special dietary requirement please can you provide a letter from the Doctor/ Paediatrician.



The Road To School

This tracker helps you and your child prepare for school.



Remember - learning is not a competition; children learn at different rates. For more ideas to help prepare your child for school, talk to your childcare practitioner.

Routines and Boundaries

Routines

Create good habits, keep anxiety at bay and help children develop self-confidence, curiosity, social and communication skills.

Boundary techniques

- Positive language
- Two great choices
- Distraction
- Emotion coaching

<https://families.barnardos.org.uk/pre-school/routines-boundaries>

Reception 2024

If you haven't already done so:

Book a tour of the school

Speak with Mr Thomas

Visit the reception class and speak with the teachers

It's never too early to register for your child's place in Reception

Closing date for applications to North Northants is 15th January

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/primary-school-places/apply-primary-school-place>



Each week we update our Facebook Page with news and pictures of our activities.

Please like and share with your family and friends.



Any Questions?

Let's go look around the Preschool

