



Dear Parents and Carers,

Apologies for the late weekly update; I wanted to upload all of the photo galleries for you to enjoy and we've been super busy in school this week.

Carol Service 2024

The school term finished with a beautiful event at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, and it was lovely to see such a fantastic turnout. Our children truly excelled themselves, showcasing their talents and confidence. The congregational hymn of 'O Come All Ye Faithful' is always a highlight, providing a memorable finale to both the service and the term. Photographs from the service are available on our website (below). Rejoice Rejoice is due to be released on Spotify, Amazon, Apple Music and iTunes this weekend. I'm trying to make it work so the children can say "Alexa, Play St Peter's School!" A huge thank you to all of Community Choir, I have had so many compliments... maybe we should release it in time to be Christmas Number 1!

This Term in Pictures

Enjoy a look through the thousands of photos taken this term. Simply click on the links below:

- Michaelmas 2 - <https://www.st-peters.org.uk/mich224>
- Preschool Michaelmas 2 - <https://www.st-peters.org.uk/preschoolm224>
- Carol Service - <https://www.st-peters.org.uk/carolservice24>
- EYFS Nativity - <https://www.st-peters.org.uk/eyfsnativity24>
- Christmas - <https://www.st-peters.org.uk/christmas24>

Key Dates for Your Diary

- First Day of Lent Term - Monday 6th January
- Year 5 Class Assembly - Monday 13th January
- Year 6 Class Assembly - Monday 3rd February
- Half Term - Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February
- Year 4 Class Assembly - Monday 4th March
- World Book Day - Thursday 6th March
- Year 1 Class Assembly - Monday 17th March
- Red Nose Day - Friday 21st March
- Year 3 Class Assembly - Monday 23rd March
- Lent House Matches - Wednesday 26th March
- Last Day of Lent Term - Wednesday 2nd April

House Points, So Far

- Barnwell - 33.29/pupil
- Brigstock - 32.81/pupil
- Stanwick - 33.85/pupil
- Sywell - 33.62/pupil

Term Dates

Our school's term dates are available on our website (<https://www.st-peters.org.uk/parent-information/term-dates>), and you can also find them in our school calendar, which can be synced from the website for your convenience.

Christmas Holiday Camp

We have once again teamed up with Northampton Tennis Coaching to run several days of multisports holiday camp over the Christmas holidays. All bookings should be made directly with them. You can book one day at a time for just £25/day.

Age Ratings and Security Reminder

I'd like to remind everyone about the importance of checking age ratings on games, apps, and films. Christmas often brings new gadgets into our homes, such as phones, tablets, and gaming consoles, and it's crucial that we set these up safely for our children. When helping them get started with these devices, make sure that all content is age-appropriate, and that filters and monitoring tools are in place to ensure their online safety. National Online Safety offers an extensive range of helpful resources (<https://www.facebook.com/NationalOnlineSafety>). To assist you, I've uploaded several of their 'What Parents Need to Know' posters on our website (<https://www.st-peters.org.uk/onlinesafety>). These are excellent guides for understanding and managing the digital environment for your children. Additionally, with the array of family films broadcast during Christmas, it's important to be aware of their content and ensure that what your children are watching is suitable for their age. Love Actually is actually a 15!

Uniform and Parking

A regular reminder that information about regulation school uniform can be found at <https://www.st-peters.org.uk/page/uniform> and can be ordered via ParentMail.

Please also remember parking permits if you're using the restricted bays; forms are available from the School Office.

Attendance and Lateness

School registration takes place **promptly at 8:45am**, coinciding with the closure of the main gate. Should your child arrive late and find the gate closed, it is essential that you escort them to the School Office for registration. Ensuring your child's punctuality is crucial, as it helps to maintain smooth and uninterrupted learning for the entire class. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us foster a punctual start to each school day.

We've been busy this week preparing for January and, I can assure you, it will be just as jam-packed!

On behalf of all the staff, I'd like to say thank you to everyone who shared cards with warm wishes, and even presents, for Christmas. We are all very grateful for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Have a fabulous Christmas everyone and a wonderful New Year.

Regards,

Mr Thomas

Headteacher