



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a joy it is to have our school buzzing with life again! A particularly warm welcome to the many new faces joining our community, pupils, parents and staff alike. I hope you all had a restful and refreshing summer, wherever it took you. Even with the return of soggy socks and sideways rain, the spirit at St Peter's has been unshakably sunny. The laughter in the playground, the curiosity in the classrooms, and the sheer energy from our children has reminded us all what makes this place so special.

Uniform Reminders

It's been lovely to see the children looking so smart this week; thank you for helping them return looking ready to learn. A few quick notes:

- Winter uniform begins Monday 22nd September
- All children should wear full regulation sports kit on PE and Games days — including tracksuits
- Shin pads and gum shields are required from Year 1 upwards for Games
- School hats should be worn to and from school
- All hair longer than shoulder length should be tied up
- All uniform should be current stock. The old items, such as the old tracksuit, were phased out 2 years ago. All items now have our logo on.

Parking – Safety First

The start of term is always extra busy on the roads. Please:

- Drive slowly **down** the Crescent
- Park considerately and never on zig-zags or kerbs
- Use a permit (available from the School Office) if leaving your car
- Don't attempt a 3-point turn in the road; it's not worth the risk!

Let's work together to keep all our children, and each other, safe.

Music & Co-Curricular: What You Need and When

Here's your musical reminder by year group:

- Year 2 – Ocarina on Wednesdays
- Year 3 – Ocarina on Wednesdays
- Year 4 – School-provided P-Buzz (no kit needed)
- Year 5 – Recorder on Thursdays
- Year 6 – School-provided Ukulele (no kit needed)

Need an ocarina or recorder? Order via ParentMail.

Individual Music Lessons begin next week:

- Monday 8th – Vocal & Cello
- Tuesday 9th – Violin & Woodwind
- Wednesday 10th – Ballet & Drums
- Thursday 11th – Piano & Tennis
- Tuesday 16th – LAMDA starts

Spaces are still available for Woodwind, Vocal, Drums, Ballet and LAMDA — please contact the School Office if interested.

Data Sheets

Your child has brought home their data sheet today. Please check it carefully and return it as soon as possible, especially if you have updated medical or contact information.

School Clubs

Our Michaelmas club programme is as busy and brilliant as ever!

- You'll receive your confirmation email next week
- Some clubs are full and others are being split into two groups
- We've done our very best to meet all your preferences

Please read your club allocation letter carefully when it arrives.

School Council Elections

Our annual School Council campaign launches next week!

- Each class will elect a representative
- Older pupils will present a manifesto or poster
- Younger pupils will have supported class discussions
- Every child will vote

This process teaches vital lessons in democracy, humility and resilience. It's always a highlight of the term; I can't wait to meet our new councillors!

Socks and Smartness

A few sock reminders as we transition seasons:

- White socks – for PE
- Blue games socks – for Games
- Grey socks – for winter uniform (or white for girls in summer dresses – until 22nd Sept)

Year 6 Reminders

- Bikeability begins next week – check your tyres this weekend! You will all need your bikes Monday to Thursday.

- Ties may be worn by girls from 22nd September (plain white shirt required). You've got one week to learn how to tie them – no pressure!

Key Dates for the Diary

Our live calendar is always the best place to go:

 st-peters.org.uk/calendar

(You can even subscribe to it from your device.)

- 8th–12th September: Year 6 Bikeability
- 17th September: Outdoor Learning Day
- 22nd September: Pupils to wear Winter Uniform
- 1st October: Individual and Class Photos
- 6th October: Harvest Supper
- 13th October: P–6 Share Your Work
- 17th November: Year 2 Class Assembly
- 21st November: Children in Need
- 24th–25th November: P-6 Parent–Teacher Consultations
- 1st December: Year 4 Class Assembly
- 10th December: Michaelmas House Games
- 12th December: Carol Service at St Peter & St Paul

Menus and More

Next week's lunch menu is available here:

 st-peters.org.uk/menu

And don't forget our helpful links:

Useful Links

- [Timetables](#)
- [Term Dates](#)
- [Parent Portal](#)
- [Children's Portal](#)
- [Weekly Menu](#)
- [School Calendar](#)
- [Curriculum](#)
- [Staff Gallery](#)

Thanks again for your support, your smiles and your umbrellas! Here's to a successful, sunny (fingers crossed!) and inspiring Michaelmas Term ahead.

Regards,

Mr Thomas

Headteacher