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Tuesday

Love Learn Live



Our theme for worship this half term— Creation

	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Attendance %	97.40%	96.48%	98.22%	97.93%	90.47%
Whole School Attendance	96.02%				
Attendance Superstars for last week	RVpW & 2JS with 100% attendance!				

Green (97.0% and above). Orange (between 95.5% and 96.99%). Red (95.49% or below).

Attendance Superstars—Every week we will publish the attendance for year groups and the whole school for the previous week.



Keep up to date with what's happening!

St Peter's PTA are on facebook <https://www.facebook.com/stpetersdroitwichpta>

St Peter's are on Twitter <https://twitter.com/stpfsdroitwich>



Every Day Counts!



Every Day in School Matters! It is really important that your child attends school every day to allow them to fulfil their full potential. Statistics show that persistent absentees are less likely to achieve their full potential, and can affect a child's future prospects.

Punctuality It is also important that your child arrives to school on time every day. Children may arrive between 8.30am and 8.40am. Arriving late to school is unsettling for children and disrupts the start to their day.

Did you know? 10 minutes late every day = 33 hours lost learning each year!!

Unauthorised Leave in Term Time (Holidays)

Children are not entitled to holidays in term time. Family holidays should be taken during school holiday periods. Requests for leave due to exceptional circumstances preventing the period of leave being taken during school holidays must be requested by completing a Leave of Absence Request Form. The form can be requested from our Trust Attendance Officer via the school office. Fines of £120 per parent/carers reduced to £60 if paid within 21 days may be issued where unauthorised leave has been taken during term time.



FaceBook Launch - We are pleased

to announce the launch of the official St Peter's Droitwich C of E Academy FaceBook page. Please click the [link](#) to visit and check for regular news from the school. We would really like to build our followers so please feel free to share amongst friends and family.

See our latest post about our Open Morning which is being held this Saturday 24th September 2022 between 10.00am and 12 noon.



Open Morning – Help us spread the word about our Open Morning for families with children due to start school in September 2023 (children born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019). School will be open on Saturday 24th September between 10.00am and 12 noon for families and children to visit, look around and ask any questions. Support with admissions applications will also be available. No appointments are necessary and all are welcome.

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Year 4 Malvern Meeting—Change of Date

Please be advised that the Year 4 Malvern Meeting date has been changed to **Monday 10th October, 3.15pm-3.45pm.** This meeting will provide you with information on the residential trip we have planned for year 4 pupils in the Summer term. Please enter through the main entrance. The meeting will take place in the hall. Children are welcome to attend.

Reminder EYFS Curriculum Evening—Tuesday 27th September at 6pm, we request that adults only attend thank you.

New School Jumper & Cardigan Orders Open Now

Orders are now open on ParentPay for new school jumpers and cardigans and will remain open until **Wednesday 21st September**

Year Four House Captain hopefuls

It is that exciting time in Year Four when children have the opportunity to put themselves forward as candidates for House Captain. Parents/Carers of Year Four children, please refer to the slip sent out last week and follow the instructions given. Good luck!

Preloved Uniform—A big thank you to everyone who has donated preloved uniform. Your overwhelming generosity means that we have a huge amount of uniform in school, therefore no further donations are needed at the moment, thank you.

Year 1 – 4 Parent/Carer Questionnaire - We aim to provide the best possible education for your child(ren), therefore, we would welcome your view about the service we are providing. A link to an online, anonymous survey has been emailed to contacts 1 and 2 of our Year 1 to Year 4 children. Responses by 10th October would be greatly appreciated. We will be sending out a separate survey to current EYFS parent/carers towards the end of the first term to also gather their views on their experiences to date. Many thanks.



Birthdays—As part of our commitment to being a healthy and sustainable school we have decided to change the way birthday's are cele-

brated in school. After discussions with our school council back in the Summer term it was decided that on their birthday (or the closest day should it fall on a weekend) the children are invited to come to school wearing their own clothes if they want to, instead of bringing in packets of sweets or treats to give out.

If children wish to do something to acknowledge the celebration with their class and support our 'reading for pleasure' ethos, they are invited to donate a book (new or pre-loved) which will be shared on the day and then placed in the class book corner to be looked at and shared by the children. You may even like to write a special birthday message in the book. This is optional and there is no expectation that each child donates a book.

Each child will receive a birthday card made by another child in school.

Photograph Day—Individual photos will be on **Monday 26th September**. We will ensure that in-school siblings will have their photo taken together along with their individual photo. If you wish for your child/ren to have their photo taken with a sibling that does not attend St Peter's, please come with your children to the school office at 8.30am where you will be taken to the main hall for the group photo to be taken.

Scooters in school—It is great to see so many children walking and riding their bikes/scooters to school. Can we politely remind you that bikes and scooters need to be dismantled before entering the school grounds, thank you.

Message from St. Peter's PTA

PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) – Tuesday 11th October

The AGM will take place on **Tuesday 11th October 2022**. As per the PTA Constitution, all Committee roles (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) will be open to nomination and any parent, carer or guardian of a child at St. Peter's can be nominated to those roles. If you are interested to learn more about these roles, or getting more involved in the PTA, please contact StPetersPTA@riverscofe.co.uk



Open Morning for children due to start school in EYFS September 2023

If your child is born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019, they will be due to start school in September 2023. The application process opened on 1st September 2022 and will close on 15th January 2023.

You are required to submit an online Local Authority admissions application form when starting school for the first time. Visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/school-admissions to make your application or telephone School Admissions on 01905 822700 if you need assistance.

If St Peter's Droitwich C of E Academy is one of your preferred schools, as well as submitting an online application to Worcestershire County Council, you are required to complete the school's Supplementary Sorting Form. Copies are available from the school office or you can print and return the form available on the [school website](#).

We will be holding an **Open Morning on Saturday 24th September 2022 between 10.00am and 12 noon**. No appointment is necessary and families with children due to start school in September 2023 are welcome to attend any time between these times.

Cutting the cost of uniforms – what the new law means

No parent should have to lie awake at night wondering how they'll afford their child's uniform. When done right, a school uniform brings people together, and can help everyone feel they fit in. But expensive uniforms do the opposite.

The Children's Society has been campaigning on this issue since 2014, when a group of young people found that costly uniforms were putting pressure on children and their families. The law was finally changed in 2021.

What changes should families expect to see?

- It should be easy to find and understand the school uniform policy.
- Schools should be engaging with pupils and their families when developing their uniform policy.
- Pre-loved uniform should be easily available.
- There should be choice in where you can buy uniforms from.
- There should not be a long list of branded items to buy.
- Uniform bought from school recommended suppliers should be good value for money.
- If your child is missing uniform items because you've struggled to afford them, schools should take a considerate approach to how they address this.

These changes should be made before summer 2022, so you can see the difference by the time you buy uniform for the new September school year. Some changes may take a little longer if they involve school contracts with suppliers.

Who will be involved in making this change?

Depending on the type of school, a governing board, or academy trust board, is responsible for setting school uniform policies. Other people involved may be the headteacher or school leadership team. A Parent Teacher Association (PTA) may also support the school through organising uniform sales or swaps.

How can you get involved?

- Download our practical resources to share with your child's school. These have been created by us in partnership with the Child Poverty Action Group and Children North-East: childrensociety.org.uk/cut-the-cost
- Ask your child's school how they're planning to engage with pupils and their families about the uniform policy.
- Volunteer to support your child's school in setting up a pre-loved uniform shop.

THE COST OF
THE SCHOOL DAY



The
Children's
Society



Triple P Positive Parenting Program

One OFF Digital Sessions

Do you have a child or children aged 2years–10years old?

Do you want to manage or prevent some of the challenging behaviours that do and can occur?

Then come along and join one or more of our one-off discussion groups. Meet other parents in similar situations and get some advice, hints, tips and strategies to help make parenting children easier and less challenging

Each session is 2 hours long and is delivered digitally via
Microsoft TEAMS

Autumn/ Winter One-Off Online Sessions

Friday 23rd September	10:00am - 12:00pm	Developing Good Bedtime Routines
Tuesday 4th October	5:30pm - 7:30pm	Managing Fighting & Aggression
Monday 17th October	9:30am - 11:00am	Hassle Free Mealtimes with Children
Thursday 3rd November	12:30pm - 2:30pm	Hassle Free Shopping with Children
Friday 18th November	10:00am - 12:00pm	Dealing with Disobedience
Thursday 1st December	5:30pm - 7:30pm	Developing Good Bedtime Routines

To book a place keep a look out on our [trybooking](#) site or our [facebook](#)

Just scan this QR code to book!

www.trybooking.com/uk/eventlist/startingwellpartnership



EVERY CONTACT SHAPES A LIFE



What's happening in the world today?

We encourage children to read this together with their adults at home to develop their understanding of current news items and topics for discussion. We have included links to the UN Sustainable Development Goals against each story, which will help the children to see how they can have a positive impact in the wider world.



The state funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II took place on Monday 19th September 2022. Elizabeth ruled the country for over 70 years from 6th February 1952 to 8th September 2022.

The funeral service was attended by 2,000 people including world leaders, foreign [royalty](#) and members of the Royal Family.



Tens of thousands of people gathered on the streets of London to pay their respects to the UK's longest reigning monarch, and billions watched the event live on television around the world. What followed was a huge display of royal pageantry, military [marches](#) and religious services.



The crown, orb and sceptre were placed on the high altar. If the Royal Family continue with tradition, these will be used during the coronation of King Charles III.

After the funeral service, people sang "God Save the King", welcoming Charles [in to](#) his new role as King.

King Charles saluted as he entered Windsor Castle.