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St. Peter's C.E. School

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Dear families,

Mrs Langley's Sparkling Gift Shop

Thank you to everyone who has donated gifts to sell at Mrs Langley's sparkling gift shop! There are some truly amazing gifts, for the children to purchase at bargain prizes. All gifts range from £1 to £3 and will be available in classrooms. Please note we don't use parent pay for this, as we believe there is great value in the child bringing in money and selecting a special gift from the shop. Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter.

Parking around school

Last week the bin men were unable to empty some of the bins in the streets around school due to the entrance and exit routes being blocked. Please may I ask that you take care when parking nearby school to ensure you do not block roads or driveways. Thank you.

Christmas toy collection

Each year we participate in a toy collection for a local charity. Once again our pupil leadership team are asking that each child donates one excellent condition toy that they no longer need and donate it to our toy collection in aid of a local charity. We kindly request that these toys are brought in to school on **Tuesday 12th December**.

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They have suggested items such as canned vegetables, jam, chocolate and tea bags.

We are asking for your support by bringing one of these items in on one day of advent. We have put together a Reverse Advent calendar, which asks each class to donate one specific item on one specific date. As always we value and appreciate your support.

Thank you for your continued support
Mrs Williams & Mrs Scott

Friday 1st December 2023

Attendance this week 24.11- 30.11.23

Well done to this week's top attenders!

	This week	YTD
YRB	93.6	92.8
YRG	93.9	95.8
Year 1B	97.9	95.3
Year 1G	97.9	97.0
Year 2B	94.7	94.3
Year 2G	99.7	96.3
Year 3B	96.9	96.2
Year 3G	95.7	95.5
Year 4B	98.4	97.8
Year 4G	96.8	95.9
Year 5B	94.8	95.9
Year 5G	98.1	97.4
Year 6B	95.3	96.0
Year 6G	91.6	93.7
Whole school	96.0	95.7

Please do not book holidays in term time – the Government says holidays from school can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances! Please don't put me in the position of needing to say no.





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Somebody
Today

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Next week's reverse advent calendar.

Reception Green	Monday 4 th Dec	Packet of rice
Reception Blue	Tues 5 th Dec	Mince pies
Year 1 Green	Wednesday 6 th Dec	Box of biscuits/chocolates
Year 1 Blue	Thur 7 th Dec	Box of biscuits/chocolates
Year 2 Green	Fri 8 th Dec	Tinned fish

Spot light on reading – look out for our new reading magazine coming home today and being posted on our website. The link will be sent to you via text!

Every week we post pictures of the children at work, showing the amazing learning opportunities that are provided



[Please take a moment to visit our class blogs.](#)

Pre loved Christmas jumpers

If you have any good as new Christmas jumpers, that no longer fit your child, please send it to school and we will sell it on via our pre loved uniform shop, at a very reasonable price, to help ensure all children have a Christmas jumper this year.



What is happening next week?



Please see the end of the newsletter for further Christmas events

Monday 4th December - Mrs Langley's sparkling Christmas gift shop opens.

Tuesday 5th December - Y5 trip to Stockport Museum

Friday 8th December - Christmas Jumper Day. Parent pay donation £1 of which 50% will go to save the children 50% to Christmas fun in school.

Friday 8th December 1.30 Choir singing at Farnworth Fire Station

Sunday 10th December 4pm St Johns Church Carol Service Choir to sing.

Menu week commencing 4th December 2023

[Click here for the weekly menu - week 1](#)

We are on the web!

www.st-peters-farnworth.bolton.sch.uk



We now have **3,259** followers – thank you!
Follow us on twitter @stpetersfarn



Christmas Diary of events

Our Christmas diary of events is now available and has been copied to the end of this newsletter.

Please take a moment to read it through and make a note of the events involving your child, so you can be aware of what is coming up in the next few weeks.

Alternatively you can watch this short video which runs through the calendar of events.



Please note the change of date for the Christmas dinner to Wednesday 13th December. This is to allow the children who are in the choir and attending Audacious Church to enjoy Christmas dinner with us as part of the St. Peter's family

Monday 4 th December	<u>Miss Langley's present room opens</u> See the letter at the end of this list of dates for more information.
Friday 8 th December  Save the Children	<u>Christmas Jumper Day</u> We are supporting Save the Children by asking everyone to wear a festive woolly and make a donation via parent pay to help this very worthy cause. We are suggesting a donation of £1 of which 50p will go Save the children and 50p will go to Christmas party food and fun over the next two weeks
Friday 8 th December 	Choir members will be singing outside <u>Farnworth fire station</u> at 1:30pm. A separate letter has been sent out. Please come along and support them!
Sunday 10 th December 	<u>4pm St Johns Church Carol Service</u> Our Ks2 choir will be singing at this in church event. All welcome to attend. Children will need to arrive at 3:45pm. Choir children members have received a separate letter about this.
Monday 11 th December	<u>Victoria Hall Panto</u> whole school trip to Bolton Victoria Hall to watch Cinderella Christmas Pantomime. Leaving at 12.30pm after lunch and will return to school at approximately 4.30pm. Please make your contribution for transport and entry ticket on parent pay.
 Week beginning 11 th December	Children can wear their Christmas Jumper every day instead of their school jumper from now until the end of term. Please donate your old Christmas Jumpers that no longer fit, so we can help to ensure all children have a Christmas jumper this year.



Tuesday 12th December 	<u>Santa Dash</u> Year 4 will be taking part in a 2km sponsored Santa Dash in aid of their class charity Mind UK. Look out for sponsor forms coming home soon!
Tuesday 12th December 	<u>Reception & Year 1 Christmas Performance</u> There will be two performances this year , the first one being at 2pm This will be a ticket only event and each child will be allowed 2 tickets each i.e. 120 tickets for each performance. Tickets will cost £2 each and can be purchased from the class teacher. More information on ticket purchase soon.
Wednesday 13th December 	<u>Reception & Year 1 Christmas Performance</u> There will be two performances this year , the second one being at 9:30am today. This will be a ticket only event and each child will be allowed 2 tickets each i.e. 120 tickets for each performance. Tickets will cost £2 each and can be purchased from the class teacher. More information on ticket purchase soon.
Wednesday 13th December Change of date 	<u>Christmas Dinner day</u> This is automatically for all children on school dinners, as normal. However any child on packed lunches can also order a dinner for this day only and pay on parent pay. Look out for an online form coming soon!
Thursday 14th December 	<u>Peapods Christmas Party</u> our parents and toddler group will be holding their Christmas Party in the studio.
Thursday 14th December 	<u>CHOIR BIG SING REHEARSAL</u> KS2 choir members to attend the BIG SING rehearsal at Audacious all day. Separate letters have gone out to choir members about this. We have organised a coach for this event but would kindly request a contribution of £5 towards this so that we can ensure we are able to attend – this can be paid for on ParentPay.
Friday 15th December 	<u>Christingle workshops</u> in Y2 classes.
Saturday 16th December 	<u>Café Church</u> This will be a Family Cafe Service held in the studio at 10am. All welcome to come along.
Sunday 17th December 	<u>Choir to Audacious Church Christmas event</u> The KS2 choir have been asked to perform at the BIG SING taking place at Audacious Church in Manchester. This exciting event is taking place on Sunday 17th December at 10am. The children will need bringing to the church and collecting again after the service. Please can children arrive 45 minutes before the start of the service. For this event, parents will be able to watch the performance but you are required to book a free audience ticket. Details of this will be sent out soon when we have confirmed numbers.
Monday 18th December	<u>Blue Carol Service</u> This will be held in school. at 2:00pm. All





children from Year 2 to Year 6 (blue classes!) will be involved and parents are warmly invited to join us. 1 adult per child as space in the hall is very limited and there will be 150 children in the performance. Please state your child's name on entry; 1 child = 1 adult entrant. This is a service and is a free event.

Tuesday 19th December



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Wednesday 20th December



Rock Kidz Christmas party day We have a special treat for the children, a party with Rock Kidz. Each year group will have their own time slot in the hall and will take part in the best Rock Party ever to celebrate the end of term! All children will get hot chocolate and biscuits today!
School dinner will be party food on this day. Packed lunch children are welcome to bring party food along for their dinner.

Wednesday 20th December

Bingo night 1

We will be holding Christmas Bingo in the school Hall, Doors open at 5.45pm. Entrance fees including your Bingo book are £2 per person, all parents and children must pay an entrance fee (under 3's go free). Each entrant's name will be checked off on arrival and bingo books issued. There are 180 spaces available and will be distributed on a first come first served basis. We will let you know when these are on sale.

Thursday 21st December

Bingo night 2

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Thursday 21st December



Talent Show A chance for some of our children to showcase the skills they have been practising to the rest of the school!

Friday 22nd December

Cinema afternoon This is an opportunity for the children to come to school and watch a Christmas movie with their friends whilst sharing pop corn, snacks and drinks.

Friday 22nd December

School finishes for Christmas at the usual time



Monday 8th January 2024

Welcome back – our spring term 2024 commences.

As a special treat for the children, a visiting theatre group will be performing Christmas Carol

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Year 1 Green	Wednesday 6 th Dec	Box of biscuits/chocolates		Year 4 Blue	Fri 15 th Dec	Selection box
Year 1 Blue	Thur 7 th Dec	Box of biscuits/chocolates		Year 5 Green	Mon 18 th Dec	Long life fruit juice
Year 2 Green	Fri 8 th Dec	Tinned fish		Year 5 Blue	Tues 19 th Dec	Long life milk
Year 2 Blue	Monday 11 th Dec	Jar of jam		Year 6 Green	Wed 20 th Dec	Tinned tomatoes
Year 3 Green	Tuesday 12 th Dec	Box of cereal		Year 6 Blue	Thur 21 st Dec	Instant mashed potatoes



St. Peter's C.E. Primary
Coming soon!
*Mrs Langley's Sparkling
Christmas Present Gift Shop!*

This fabulous event gives the children an
opportunity to buy a family member a surprise Christmas gift.
All classes will have a box of amazing Christmas gifts & goodies
available to them in their classroom gift shop!
All gifts are new and cost £1.00 - £3.00 - there are always some true bargains!

Please note - we don't use parent pay for this, as it is a fabulous learning opportunity for
the children to understand the value of money and actually pay for the special gift that
they choose.

Opening times
DECEMBER 4th - DECEMBER 21st 2023
in each classroom.



Congratulations to last week's super learners! 23.11.23

Super Learners 23.11.23

	EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Green	Tyler H – Frankie L – Super work about the history of fire engines	Lincoln A – Fantastic work about Pablo Picasso Abriah F – Super maths work	Evie W – Super editing work Charlie K – Brilliant letter	Brodie K- Excellent instruction writing Skyla S – Fantastic predictions	Ellie D – Ava-Mae M – Fantastic expression when reading	April W – Amazing writing using relative clauses	Luca M – Brilliant reading comprehension Declan B – Super research about Greece
Blue	Cassius H – Freya H – Amazing work with 1 more	Jax C – Amazing work with CVC words Sam S – Fantastic story retell	Madelyn H – Representing school at benchball Darcie T – Great labelling of continents	Sophie J – Full marks on spelling test Alvin O – Great column addition and subtraction	Sophia P – Jemima R – Solving missing number problems		Talayla C – Spencer C – Excellent persuasive writing

[Please visit our super learner blog for great pictures of the weekly celebration!](#)

Massive congratulations to Violet in Y5 who won the She Inspires Under 11 category at a glittering ceremony held at Bolton Wanderers stadium last week.

We are so proud of you Violet!



Community Events

Early Help Parenting Drop-in

For
all families
with children
under 18

We know that being a parent is not always easy and that families need extra support at some stage as children grow up.

Targeted Early Help Workers will be on hand to offer advice and support.

We can offer signposting to helpful services, organisations and community groups.

Poor
school
attendance?

Are they
being excluded
from school?

Are they
anxious or
struggling with
self-esteem?

Are you
struggling with
your child's
behaviour?

Not sure
what services
there are available
that can help to
support you?

Come and join us for a cup of tea and a chat if you want any advice or information about parenting.

Drop-in sessions, 9.30am - 3.30pm

Farnworth King St Centre 20 Jan | 10 Feb | 2 Mar | 23 Mar | 20 Apr

Oxford Grove Children Centre 6 Jan | 27 Jan | 17 Feb | 9 Mar | 6 Apr | 27 Apr

Tonge Children Centre 13 Jan | 3 Feb | 24 Feb | 16 Mar | 13 Apr



For more information please contact:
Targeted Early Help Tel: 01204 337390
Email: earlyhelp@bolton.gov.uk

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Holiday List - 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

School re-opens after Summer break
Half Term (One week and Two days)
Term Ends

Tues 5th September 2023
Thurs 26th October – Fri 3rd November 2023
Friday 22nd December 2023

Spring Term 2024

Term Begins
Half Term (one week)
Term Ends

Mon 8th January 2024
Mon 19th to Fri 23th February 2024
Thursday 28th March 2024

Summer Term 2024

Term Begins
Bank Holiday
Half Term (one week)
Term Ends

Mon 15th April 2024
Mon 6th May 2024
Mon 27th May – Friday 31st May 2024
Fri 19th July 2024

Staff training days- school closed to children

Monday 4th September 2023
Thursday 26th October 2023
Friday 27th October 2023
Friday 5th January 2024
Friday 31st May 2024

Please note that October half term is one week and two days, school will close on Wednesday 25th October until Monday 6th November. This is intended to reduce the length of the autumn term, the academic year is still 190 days.

“ Learn, Sparkle & Shine...”

Our holiday list for 24/25 is also available on our website.



Easy fund raising for school with on line shopping.



Did you know we can support our school by raising money every time we shop online? Support that means we can fund school trips – and it doesn't cost us a penny!

We're using easyfundraising, a free fundraising platform that allows us to earn money when we shop online. easyfundraising works with over 7,000 online retailers, everyone from Tesco, eBay, Sports Direct, M&S, Boots, Just Eat, Booking.com, and everything in between. Once signed up all you need to do is start your shopping journey at the easyfundraising website, use the browser extension or app (information will be provided when you register) and the retailer you shop with will send us a free donation based on how much you spend

If you are making an on line purchase anyway, by using easyfundraising you can give to us at the same time and at no additional cost to you.

So please support us if you can by registering yourself today at

[Easy fundraising St Peters Farnworth](#)

it only takes 2 minutes and all you need is your email address.

Please also share with your friends and family if they would also like to help – the more the better!



Pantomime letter



Dear parents/carers,

You will be pleased to know that we have organised a trip to The Victoria Hall in Bolton to watch the pantomime Cinderella . This trip is for **all children** in school.

We will be visiting the theatre on **Monday 11th December 2023**. The coaches will leave school at 12.30 pm after having lunch and will return to school at approximately **4.15pm**

On return to school, children will go to their classrooms and can be collected from their usual exit door. We will contact you by text message if there are any delays in getting back to school.

Children should wear their usual school uniform on the day.

We are asking for a contribution of **£11 per child** for the trip. This includes the theatre ticket, an ice-cream at the interval and the coach trip to and from the theatre.

Payments for the trip can be made via **Parent Pay**. Please ensure these payments are made by **Friday 17th November**.

You need to give consent for your child to attend this trip via Parent Pay.

Should you need any further details or have any concerns please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher. Please inform your child's class teacher if your child cannot have the ice-cream for any reason.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Williams & Mrs Scott

