



St. Peter's C.E. School

“Learn, sparkle & shine...”

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Dear parents,

Next week is a wow enrichment week in school, with lots of visitors in school to enhance our learning. Please see the diary of events for the amazing range of knowledge rich curriculum activities that we are providing for the children.

E- safety workshop for parents

At 2.30pm on Tuesday 25th (next week) parents are invited to attend a workshop led by Global Policing on the theme of internet safety. Please come along to the studio to find out how we can ensure our children are able to keep safe on line. A further letter about this will be sent out separately.

Kearsley Scarecrow Festival

Thank you to everyone who made a scarecrow at home, to contribute to our school display. We are hoping to display the scarecrows on the car park fence from about 4pm tonight. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and, with some secure fixing, they will stay in place over the weekend. Fingers crossed!

Macmillan coffee morning

On Wednesday 26th (next week) we are holding a Macmillan coffee morning in the school hall from 9.15-10am. Cake donations would be very welcome. Please send your cakes in to school any time prior to the event next week. Parents are then very welcome to drop by the school hall on Wednesday to share a coffee and cake. Children of any parent attending will also be allowed to spend some time in the coffee morning. Money raised will go to the Macmillan Charity,

Rock Kidz and parents evening

Please see the notes at the end of this newsletter regarding arrangements for these two important forthcoming events.

Thank you
L.M. Williams

Congratulations to the children in the smile file this week and last week!

Name	Name	Name
Mia H	Isabel F	Sofia R
Liam M	Melody C	Kayley W
Jackson K	Kinley B	Leyton J
Harrison H	Summer G	Amelia R
Riley L	Liana A	Olivia S
Morgan B	Jessica T	Jack B
Kenneth G	Kayden K	Aimee G
Mia T	Jack Ba	Jack Br

Attendance this week!

Well done to - **Year 2 Green & Year 1 Blue** this week's top attenders!
Green = 98% +
Orange = 95-97.9%
Red = below 95%

YRB	92.7%
YRG	99.3%
Year 1B	100%
Year 1G	97.3%
Year 2B	93.3%
Year 2G	100%
Year 3B	94.6%
Year 3G	99.3%
Year 4B	99.7%
Year 4G	97.7%
Year 5B	92.2%
Year 5G	99.3%
Year 6B	88.5%
Year 6G	94.7%
Whole school	96.3%
All year so far	97.1%

Free to all registered pupils;
outstanding education!

All you have to do to take advantage of this amazing offer is turn up every day!
Lessons lost = learning lost.



Silver and gold trophies

We have slightly adapted our school behavior management system - known as the traffic lights. Each day all children start on green, however we have now introduced an opportunity to celebrate the achievement of those children who display "above and beyond" behaviours throughout the day. These children may get the opportunity to move their name to the silver or gold trophy and enter the 'golden book'. This will result in the child being awarded a sticker saying I sparked today or possibly even a postcard being sent home in recognition of their outstanding achievements.

Amazing pupils!

Congratulations to all these pupils who are 'sparkling' in the community!

If your child has achieved something special outside school, please let us know by emailing school on office@st-peters-farnworth.bolton.sch.uk and we will mention the achievement here.

Very well done!

Many of our children participated in the Bolton Hospice bubble rush last weekend - we are very proud of all of you.

Thank you to Xavier W for donating a birthday book to his class.

Izzy G - performer of the week at footlights for her singing

Indi G - made her rainbows promise.



Next Week's Highlights

Monday 24th September: **Healthy minds UK working with Y3, Y6 and Y5G**

Tuesday 25th September; **Healthy minds UK working with Y2, Y4 and Y5B**

Tuesday 25th September; **Y3 Stoneage workshops**
Tuesday 25th September; **Year 6 science and technology workshops**

Wednesday 26th September; **9.15-10am Macmillan coffee morning in the school hall. All donations welcome.**

Wednesday 26th September; **E safety day. Parent presentation at 2.30pm in the studio**

Friday 28th September; **Y6B class assembly and SAT's meeting**

Menu week commencing 24th Sept

Monday; **Baked sausage or cheese flan, mashed potatoes, sweetcorn. Orange crunch muffin**

Tuesday; **Pork loin in gravy, salmon sandwich, vegetarian sausage roll, Roast potatoes, broccoli, cauliflower and carrot mix. Frozen fruit yoghurt.**

Wednesday; **pizza day - selection of pizza, filled jacket potato, wholemeal pasta, sweetcorn. Shortbread and fruit.**

Thursday; **Mild spiced chilli, BBQ chicken fillet, quorn chilli, wholegrain rice, oven baked jacket wedges, garden peas, Chocolate fudge cake.**

Friday; **Fish fingers, cheese and onion panini, chips, baked beans, selection of fresh fruit.**

A selection of potatoes, vegetables, fresh salad and fresh fruit are always available.

We are on the web!!

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We now have **1,864** followers - thank you!
Follow us on twitter @stpetersfarn

Please take a moment to visit our class blogs.
Every week we post pictures of the children at work, showing the amazing learning opportunities that are provided.

✂ Please cut off the slip below and return it to school - we welcome your feedback!

If you wish to make a comment about anything about our school, please do so by returning this slip to your child's teacher with your thoughts. We appreciate your feedback and will always seek to take your comments on board.

Thank you. L.M. Williams (headteacher)

I wish to make the following comment - my child is in Year _____.



Holiday List - 2018/19

Autumn Term 2018

Half Term (one week and one day)
October
Term Ends

Fri 19th October - Fri 26th

Fri 21st December

Spring Term 2019

Term Begins
Half Term (one week)
Term Ends

Mon 7th January

Mon 18th to Fri 22nd February

Fri 5th April

Summer Term 2019

Term Begins
Local Election Day
Bank Holiday
Half Term (one week)
Term Ends

Tues 23rd April

Thurs 2nd May

Mon 6th May

Mon 27th May - Friday 31st May

Fri 19th July

Holidays in term time

Holidays must not be taken during term time as this has an extremely detrimental effect on your child's education. As from September 2013 Government regulations state that head teachers **may not** grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are **exceptional circumstances**. Anyone who takes their child out of school in term time without authorisation risks being issued with a penalty notice and being fined £60 per child per parent. Non payment could result in a prosecution in a Magistrates Court. From 1st September 2018, the criteria for issuing a penalty notice will be reduced and a fine will be considered where a pupil has had 10 sessions (equivalent of **five days - consecutive or otherwise**) of **unauthorised absence over the period of two consecutive half terms**.

This change has been introduced because of:

- Requests from Headteachers to strengthen sanctions for unnecessary absence from school
- Increasing numbers of pupils who are classed as persistently absent
- An increase in the amount of absence due to family holidays in term time

The borough's schools and Bolton Council want all pupils to achieve the best possible results and there is a strong link between regular school attendance and attainment.

In law, an offence occurs if a parent or carer fails to secure their child's regular attendance at school and that absence is not authorised by the Headteacher. The vast majority of pupils in Bolton have an excellent attendance record and we recognise the efforts of so many parents to ensure their children attend school regularly and make the most of their educational opportunities.



The School and Bolton Council will continue to work closely together to ensure our children can achieve the best possible outcomes.

Should you have any concerns about your child's attendance or are experiencing difficulties, please contact the school and ask for help.

More information about penalty notices can be found on Bolton Council's website: <http://www.bolton.gov.uk/website/pages/Truancy.aspx>

School App

You download this through Google Play or your usual Apps download.

It is called OurSchoolsApp

If you download it to your phone and then search for our school using the postcode BL4 9JT it should bring up our school. You can then receive any of the newsletters, events, holiday lists or other important communications.

Monday 1st October – Thursday 4th October – Rock Kidz Y3-Y6

This programme will teach key topics of the PSHE curriculum in a fun and meaningful way, also touching and directly benefiting other areas of the curriculum such as music education. The programme will consist of 4 morning sessions with Y3-Y6 in the school hall Monday to Thursday followed by concerts on Thursday and Friday evenings. During the week pupils will have the opportunity to learn fun and original songs with key PSHE learning objectives in the song content. Topics such as anti bullying, "good to be me", friendship, inclusion and respect will be taught in a fun and meaningful way. On the fourth day a sound recording will be made, of the pupils singing the songs they have learned and then later a CD will be produced. On Thursday and Friday evenings the children will have the opportunity to perform a concert to their parents which will be held at St. James C.E. High School. **The concert for children in Y3G, Y4G, Y5G and Y6G will be held on Thursday 4th October 6pm – 8pm** and the concert for children in **Y3B, Y4B, Y5B and Y6B will be held on Friday 5th October 6pm-8pm.** Tickets will be on sale nearer the time.

Thursday 11th October – Parents Evening

The children are now in their new classes and this is the first parents evening of the school year. This will give you the opportunity to meet the new teacher, find out how well your child has settled and what will be expected of them this year in their new class in reading, maths, science and the other subjects. We strongly recommend that the parents of the junior children bring them along so that they can be part of the discussion and understand what will be expected of them.

We have a new online booking system.

As part of the App there is the facility book an appointment for **parents evening online**. The system is now live and appointments are getting booked up quickly. If you need any help with either the App or the appointment booking system please do not hesitate to call into school.

