

# St Mary and St Peter Catholic Primary School



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Through nurturing trust and strong relationships, our learning adventure will see each and every one of us thrive in God's love.



Welcome back to all after the summer break. I hope everyone is well rested and ready for the term ahead. The children have made a fantastic start in their new classes and we look forward to a productive and exciting year.

## Whole school mass

Our first whole school mass will take place in the school hall on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, led by Father Alex. Parents are welcome to attend and should enter through the external Hall door which will be open from 10:30am.

## The passing of the Queen

It was with great sadness last night that we learned of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II. A liturgy was held in school today to mark the event and we offer up prayers in her name.

Gracious God,  
We give thanks for the life and reign  
of Queen Elizabeth.  
She devoted her life to serving  
our country and the Commonwealth.  
Help us to follow her example  
by caring for each other.  
We entrust her now  
to your love and mercy,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

Eternal rest grant on her O Lord  
and let perpetual light  
shine upon her.

May her soul and all the souls  
of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God,  
rest in peace.

**Amen**

## School Values

**Believe, Love,  
Respect and Trust.**

With Christ at the centre of all we do we Believe and Trust in Him to help us to show Love and Respect to all.



### Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the summer's reading challenge. If anyone has any pictures to share of children completing activities, please can they be sent to Mrs Steele in Year 5.

### Roald Dahl Day – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September

The school has traditionally taken part in Roald Dahl day and Mrs Steele would like to encourage children to join in with the activities taking place during the day. We will hold a special themed assembly to celebrate the author and his work and any children who wish to do so may dress up as their favourite character from his books.

### Swimming Year 4

For the first half of this term, Year 4 will be swimming at the Phoenix Pool on Friday afternoons. The first session begins today, 9<sup>th</sup> September, and a reminder email/text was sent out at the start of term.

### PE days

Please find below a timetable for PE for each year group. Children should come to school wearing the appropriate PE kit. This includes a white t-shirt and plain coloured shorts (or plain coloured jogging bottoms for outdoor PE in colder weather). A regular school jumper should be worn over the t-shirt for lessons during the rest of the timetabled day if necessary.

### PE time table autumn 1 2022

Day/Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:45-11:30		Yr 6	Yr 1	Yr 2	
13:00 - 1400	Yr 5	Yr 2	Yr 5	Yr 4	Yr 6
14:00 - :15:00	Yr 3	Yr 1	Yr 3	Yr R	Y4 swimming

## School Vision

We believe that even with God's love we can sometimes experience challenges. Just like our patron saints, Mary and Peter, they experienced difficult times in their life that took strength and perseverance to overcome. At our school, we value this challenge and encourage children to experience it, knowing that together with our support and love, they will experience a successful outcome be it in an academic subject or through social experiences. We are all exploring our own talents and each day we

**'Set Sail for Success'**

### School uniform reminder

Please can parents ensure that children are attending school in appropriate uniform.

- **Red** jumpers, sweatshirts or cardigans with school logo (these are available with a school logo on from Harrisons but it is not a requirement for children to wear a jumper or cardigan with the school logo on)
- **Grey** trousers, skirts, pinafores, culottes or shorts
- **White** polo shirts (*these are available with a school logo on from Harrisons but it is not a requirement for children to wear a jumper or cardigan with the school logo on*)
- **Black** shoes only
- **White, grey or red** socks or tights (these must be **plain** not patterned)
- **Red** checked dresses
- **No jewellery** is permitted except a simple wrist watch and small stud earrings
- Long hair **must be tied back** at all times

### School kitchen update

We were hoping to begin the autumn term with a shiny new kitchen, however work has been delayed. We are currently having hot meals prepared for us off site and delivered ready for lunchtime. We are hoping to continue this service whilst work is carried out, and will inform parents of any upcoming changes should they arise.

### Facebook

We recognize that Twitter is not the most popular source of social media for our parents and are currently working on developing a school Facebook page to share events and information. Please make sure that the office is aware of any changes in photo permissions use and we will provide further information about accessing the page once it goes live.

### Parking

A reminder to those who drive their child/ren to school to be respectful of our neighbours. Please do not block driveways and use the schools one-way system by driving into the car park for dropping off so that the road does not become congested. Thank you for your support in this.

### Cycle Helmets

Children who cycle to school should be wearing a cycle helmet. Children and adults are reminded to dismount bikes and scooters once they have arrived on the site. There is no cycling or riding on the pavements inside the school grounds for safety reasons.

### Nut free school

A reminder to all that SMSP is a nut free school and no products containing nuts should be included in packed lunches. Thank you for your support in this.

