



Newsletter 8

23/10/2026



Happy Half Term!

What a busy and exciting first term it has been!

The weeks have flown by, and it is hard to believe that when we returned to school, we were still enjoying the warmth of summer. Now, with the colder weather setting in, winter feels just around the corner!

Our children from Year 3 to Year 6 have had a fantastic term, and we are incredibly proud of all they have achieved.

We wish all our families and amazing staff a wonderful and restful half-term break, whatever you have planned. Enjoy the time together, have lots of fun, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed, re-energised and ready for all that Term 2 has in store! Happy Half Term, everyone, see you on **Monday 2nd November!**

Mr Whitehouse retiring!

Please read the email sent out this morning from the school Governors with regard to Mr Whitehouse retiring at Christmas.

Year 6 Secondary school applications

The online application window for children enrolling into Year 7 in September 2026 will close at **midnight on Monday 2nd November 2026.**

If you have any queries, the KCC team can be emailed on

kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk

Or click on the link below to make your application.

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/educationand-children/schools/schoolplaces/secondary-school-places>



Warm clothes!

As we return to school for Term 2, the weather is sure to be much colder, so please help us to ensure that all children come to school dressed appropriately for the winter months.

Please make sure your child is wearing the correct school uniform and brings a warm, weather-appropriate coat each day.

Thank you for your support.



Eco School Council

After presenting to their classes and campaigning, a new Eco School Council has been elected.



3L: Fletcher & Greta

3B: Olivia P & Bowen

3S: Megan M & Bastian

4B: Albie & Sydney

4L: Nancy & Raefe

4S: Maddy & Alfie W

5S: Nancy C & Jacob M

5W: Paisley & Teddy T

5RB: Livia & Caleb S

6I: Aria Q & Finley D

6B: Arthur M & Archie W

6W: Nicole S & Arthur T

We want to commend ALL children who put themselves forward.

Let's support our new Eco School Council over the next year.

Year 3 news!

As part of our Design and Technology (DT) learning, Year 3 will be tasting a range of fruits, vegetables and smoothies on **Friday 6th November**, the first Friday back after half term.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.
Thank you for your support!

Matilda's Poem



This term, Year 5 have been thinking about this question:

What does it mean if God is holy and loving?

Matilda, in 5RB, wrote a poem about how a Christian might respond. Her ideas help to give us a lot to think about!

Well done, Matilda.

One day, when feeling
lonely,
I thought how can God be
loving and holy?
I guess some people call him
the King of Kings
But loving and holy are two
separate things.

Loving means caring, loyal
and true
Holy means special, separate
to you.

Jesus the one who turns
water to wine

God, the one who calls
everything mine.

I guess it just means He's
kind and nurturing
But for short, I call him the
best kind of person.

Year 2 Open Day.

Ofsted
Outstanding
Provider
Outstanding in all areas
May 2023

St Peter's
CE Junior School

Open Day 2026
Welcoming families from across Thanet
to become part of the St Peter's family!

Come and visit us on
Thursday 3rd December
9.30am, 1.15pm or 5.30pm

Book your visit online at:
<https://www.ticketsource.com/st-peter-in-thanet-ce-junior-school/e-qbeezrp>

Or scan the QR
code to book your visit

SCAN HERE

Contact the school office if you have any questions
Call: (01843) 861430

PTFA Quiz Night!

There is still time to book your table
for the Quiz night.

St Peters PTFA presents

Quiz NIGHT

FRIDAY 13TH NOV
7PM - 9PM
SCHOOL HALL

£5
PER PERSON
TEAMS OF UP TO 6

Adults Only
BYO refreshments
Prizes to be won!

SCAN BELOW TO BOOK!

or email:
ptfa@stpetersthanet.co.uk

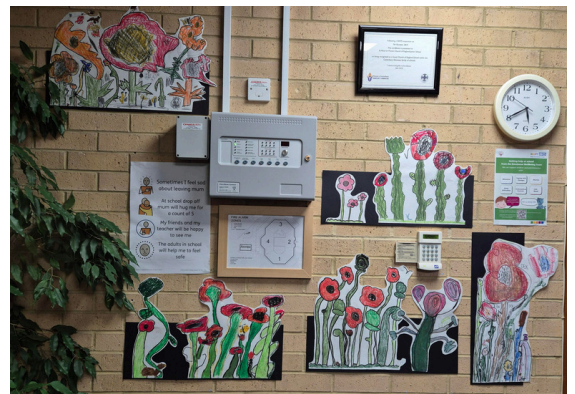
All proceeds from PTFA events go towards
supporting our school community

Art Club

Year 3 and 4 art club have been
busy creating wild and wonderful
poppies in celebration of
Remembrance Sunday.

Please pop into the foyer to see
their beautiful poppy garden
artwork.

Well done all of you!



Data Sheets

Thank you to all our parents/ carers
who attended their child's Parent
Consultation Evening.

If you did not check and sign the
Data Collection sheet for your child,
please pop into the office to collect
it. If you would like it to be sent
home with your child, please email
the office.

Thank you



Dates for your diary



October

Fri 23rd Oct - Last day of Term 1 (3:15pm finish, clubs and extended day on as usual)

Mon 26th Oct - Fri 30th Oct - Half Term holiday



November



Mon 2nd Nov - First day of Term 2

Mon 9th Nov - Children in Need Week

Fri 13th Nov - PTFA Quiz Night. 7-9pm (School Hall) Adults Only!



December



Thurs 3rd Dec - Open Day for Year 2 Children.

Fri 18th Dec - Last day of Term 2 - (1.30pm finish. No Clubs or Extended Day).





Children In Need

During the week beginning Monday 9th November, Mrs Reynolds will be organising a group of children to help run a variety of events to raise money for Children In Need.

Here are a list of things taking place throughout the week that your child may wish to participate in.

Raffle

20p per ticket/£1 a strip. Lots of prizes to be won, this will be drawn on Friday 13th November. Year 6 pupils will be selling raffle tickets during lunchtimes. They will be visiting all of the classes multiple times throughout the week, so there is no need for pupils to come to the office.

Merchandise

Lots of different Pudsey Bear goods to buy, including ears, wristbands and badges. Prices range from 50p-£3. Again, these will be taken round to classes for pupils to buy so remember your pennies!

Pirate Pudsey

Find the Police Station on the Map. 50p a go, the WINNER will win a Pudsey Bear and a backpack of goodies!

Sweets in the jar

Guess the number of sweets in the jar. The winner will be the one who gets the closest and they will win all of the sweets!

Cake Sale - Tues 10th November

Cakes will be on sale at 3.15pm outside the main entrance

Non-Uniform Day – Friday 13th November

Come to school wearing your Pyjamas! Please ensure outdoor footwear and coats are still worn and that children wear layers underneath. Year 6 will need to wear clothes suitable to walk to swimming!

Years 4 & 6 have PE so please wear something suitable including trainers!

Please bring in a suggested donation of £1.





Star of the Week



3L: Florence C-H - for an impressive informative penguin report - what a star!

3B: Jessica F - for a stunning report on red pandas.
Absolutely fantastic!

3S: Silas M - for a truly outstanding chimpanzee report -
what an expert!

4B: Lenny D - for the super effort he has put into his
learning this week.

4L: Tristan E - for always being such a helpful and caring
member of the class. It is so appreciated, Tristan!

4S: Tilly A - for super engagement and always showing the
3R's.

5S: Samuel G - for fantastic writing in English this week.
Well done.

5W: Violet-Belle S - for giving her very best in every lesson.
Keep it up!

5RB: Sammy G - for putting in so much effort in his English
story this week, we are so proud of you.

6I: Roxy H - for a fantastic attitude this week - your focus
and hard work was noted all week - especially in Maths.

6B: Esme B - Esme always follows the 3R's. A fantastic role
model. Well done Esme.

6W: Dotty C - for showing resilience in her amazing Maths
work.



Online Safety for parents

Online Safety: Staying Safe While Gaming

With half-term approaching, many children will be spending more time enjoying their favourite online games. Games such as Roblox and Minecraft can be great fun, but it's important that children know how to stay safe while playing.

This half-term, why not spend five minutes exploring your child's favourite game with them? Check who they can communicate with, review their privacy settings and have a chat about what they should do if something online makes them uncomfortable.

Ofcom has launched a free 'Power Up Your Play' family challenge, with five simple activities to help parents and children explore online gaming safety together.

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/powerup>

A few minutes of conversation can make a real difference!

Online Safety Mini Webinars

Group chats and peer pressure

Video for parents and carers sharing key advice on group chats and peer pressure.

This video covers:

- what group chats are
- how young people use them
- potential risks of group chats
- peer pressure online
- how to support your child

<https://www.childnet.com/resources/online-safety-mini-webinars/group-chats-and-peer-pressure/>

Family Hubs

Family Hubs are a great place for you and your children, providing a safe, welcoming and enjoyable environment for you and your children up to age 19, or up to 25-year olds with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).[\(opens in new tab\)](#)

Each hub offers different services, including:

- early education
- training or finding a new job
- antenatal classes
- healthy child clinics
- support with breastfeeding
- support with parenting and speech and language
- drop-in sessions for parents and children
- services for children with special needs and disabilities
- opportunities for families to get involved with volunteering and designing services.

You can find details of your nearest hub on the link below:

<https://family.kentcht.nhs.uk/support/your-family/familyhubs/>



SAFEGUARDING
Safeguarding everybody, everyday.

If you have any concerns, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads straight away:

Mrs Goodson
Mrs Newport
Mr Whitehouse
Mr Irwin
Mrs Wilson



Mrs Goodson



Mrs Newport



Mr Whitehouse



Mr Irwin



Mrs Wilson