17th February 2022

ST. PETER'S NEWS

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Meet our Inclusion Team



My name is Jane Fitton and I am the Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCo for short) at St Peter's. I am responsible for co-ordinating all the support for children with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) and developing the school's SEND Policy to make sure all children get a consistent, high quality response to meeting their needs in school. At St Peter's we ensure that parents are involved in supporting their child's learning, are kept informed about the support their child is getting and most importantly involved in reviewing how they are doing. I liaise with all the other people who may be coming into school to help support children's learning e.g. Speech and Language Therapy, Learning Support Advisory Teacher etc. I regularly update the school's SEND register (a system for ensuring all the SEND needs of pupils in this school are known) and make sure that there are excellent records of children's progress and needs. My role also provides specialist support for teachers and teaching assistants in the school so they can help children with SEND achieve the best progress possible. I am always happy to be contacted by parents either via the school telephone number or by email on senco@st-peters.shropshire.sch.uk

Many of you will know me as Mrs Stewart who teaches in year two. I am also part of the inclusion team where my role includes monitoring behaviour across school, working alongside parents to support with any attendance issues and making links with the community through my role on the school PTA (Friends).I am lead of the children's safeguarding board. Our Safeguarding Board are a group of Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils who deliver assemblies and classroom workshops on a wide range of safety topics during the school year. They work closely with the Inclusion Team to ensure that all St Peter's pupils have a brilliant understanding about how to stay safe themselves and keep others safe. I coordinate Character Education throughout the curriculum across the school. The mental, physical and emotional health of the children is very important to us and the drive behind learning. Children learn best when they are happy and feel safe. Our curriculum is driven by our school values and learning behaviours. We promote positive behaviour using the school golden rules. My role is all about working WITH you and your children. Please feel free to come for a chat if you see me on the playground.





As the Pupil Premium lead at St Peter's, I promote the importance of the Pupil Premium agenda with all staff. We work hard to convey positive and aspirational messages to Pupil Premium-eligible pupils. One of the key aspects of my role is to work with staff to close the attainment gap between Pupil Premium and non-Pupil Premium children. This is done by working with colleagues and families to identify and work towards the removal of the barriers to learning for students and by supporting their personal and academic development. I liaise with staff to ensure that students are able to access the curriculum and make or exceed the required progress, for example through frequent monitoring to identify progress in students' attitudes, attainment and attendance. When a pupil's progress slows, interventions are put in place rapidly. Evidence is used to decide on which strategies are likely to be most effective in overcoming the barriers to learning. I also work with the EWO (Educational Welfare Officer) to support families with attendance and punctuality.

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Hi, I am Mel Bache and I am trained as an ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support assistant) which enables me to plan tailored programs for children with emotional needs.
I regularly receive support from an Educational Psychologist to gain invaluable advice.
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We can support children with anxiety, loss and bereavement, anger and emotional wellbeing.
Our experience allows us to work with children to help build their own resilience and strength for overcoming their barriers to learning.
From the start of the day, we are available outside school to address any concerns you may have.
We also run 'Welcome Wednesday' afternoons between 2.15pm-3pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month.
This is a chance for families/carers to get together, share similar experiences and enjoy an informal chat over a coffee. We provide resources for you to take away that may be useful to use at home too.
Our message to the children has always been to talk about their concern as there will always be a solution.
Our message to you is exactly the same.



Hi, I am Dawn Gresty and have had experience delivering high quality pastoral care in St Peter's for over 10 years. I have received professional development that has helped me support emotional well being.

Beam have organised three informative and engaging workshops for parents and professionals. These workshops will be held via MS Teams. The workshops will cover:-

- **Supporting Children and Young People with Anxiety** – aims and objectives are to pass over psycho - education within the topic followed by practical suggestions of methods and techniques to help support the youth experience issues with anxiety.
- **Wellbeing Planning** – a workshop which explains and provides a tool for Children and Young people to support their general Emotional Health and Wellbeing, it recognises triggers and promotes self-awareness, this can also be used as a relapse tool to support resilience.

Sleep Support - aims to pass over psycho - education within the topic followed by practical suggestions and advise of methods and techniques to help support the children and young people having difficulties with getting to sleep and staying a sleep.

Monday 21st Feb 10-11am - Supporting Children & Young People with Anxiety

Wednesday 2nd March 4pm - Wellbeing Planning

Wednesday 9th March 4pm - Supporting Children & Young People with Anxiety

Thursday 17th March 4pm - Sleep Support

Monday 21st March 10-11am - Wellbeing Planning

Monday 28th March 10-11am - Supporting Children & Young People with Anxiety

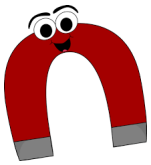
Reception

In Reception we have been exploring and describing forces. We investigated which objects are magnetic and sorted the items into groups.



"This metal is magnetic, it sticks to the magnet".







"Kandinsky's picture looks like a sunset"













In Art we looked at the work of Kandinsky. We described what we could see in his pictures. We then used paint to explore our own lines and shapes - we had lots of fun!

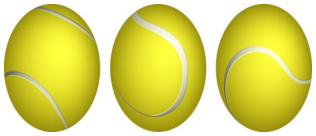
Year 2

Year 2 had a great time at the tennis courts with Mr Parry.





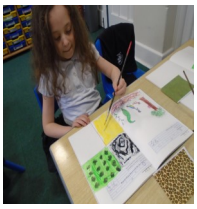




We explored painting techniques and colours by creating animal prints in our sketch books.



















We are learning about how we need these skills in real life.





In Geography we have been looking at the difference between physical and human features specifically in Australasia.

We have also been working together helping each other with aprons and equipment.

Year 4







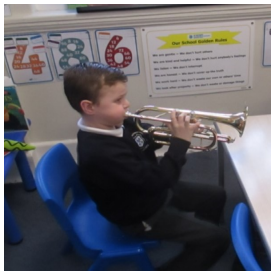




It was Year 4's turn for tennis with Mr Parry











Netball in PE this week









Year 6

Year 6 have been investigating what affects the length of shadows in our Light topic for Science

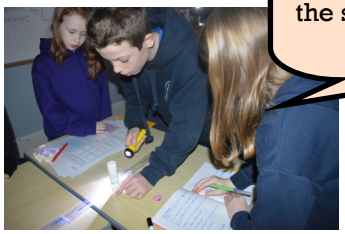




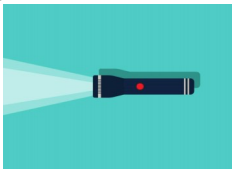
We were asking each other how we got to school in French and also the times of the school day



We discovered that the closer the opaque object was to the light source, the larger the shadow became.



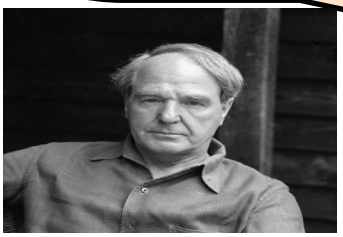








We created a piece of Art inspired by Henry Moore's war time theme







Event Date: 24th February

Event Address:

Church Stretton Library

Church Street, SY6 6DQ

Half term fun for kids with Dogs Trust!



Join our Education & Community Officer, Alison, for a FREE, fun family workshop to learn all about safe behaviour around dogs and being

responsible around our four-pawed friends!

Children aged 7-11 and their grown up

learnwithdogstrust.org.uk

Registered Charity Numbers: 227523 & SC037843

Event Date: 23rd February

Event Times: 10.30am-12pm **or** 2pm-3.30pm

Duration: 90 minutes

Event Address:

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Wednesday 23rd February 2022

OPEN SPACE STUDIOS

Writing Poetry for Wellbeing

£7.50



7-11year olds
11am- 12.30pm

12 years to young adults
1pm- 2.30pm

A highly interactive workshop exploring the cathartic power of poetry through different techniques including two-word poems, haiku, situational poems, freeform, narrative poems and more.



www.openspacestudioscic.com

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19 is available.

Confirmatory PCR tests to be temporarily suspended for positive lateral flow device (LFD) test results

Confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended from Tuesday 11 January. This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.

stay & play

Are you at home with a 2-3 year old?

Would you like to meet up with other parents and carers?

We are offering a Stay and Play session in our Creative Hub (using entrance via the Doctors' car park).

Bring your child; there will be activities to play with and a chance for you to chat with Early Years staff and fellow parents and carers.

The session will be Wednesday 16th March
1pm-2.30pm
FREE

Please register your interest by calling the school office on 01939 232292 by Friday 11th March If successful this will be once a month with further dates advertised.



Reminder we are a nut free school



Autism West Midlands Information for Parents

FREE Webinars:

For parents, carers and professionals throughout the region, watch "live" or via an automated link to watch a replay. Click on the links to find out more including registration details –
Understanding Autism – Friday 18th February 9.30am-10.30am
https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/events/understanding-autism-webinar-west-midlands-18feb22/

Autism and Anxiety – Friday 4th March 9.30am – 10.30am
Bookings open soon – please check the "events" section of our website
How Autistic People Process Information – Friday 18th March 9.30am-10.30am
https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/events/how-autistic-people-process-information-webinar-18mar22/

- **HALF TERM FAMILY EVENT**

Attingham Park - Tuesday 22nd February 10am – 12pm
https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/events/attingham-park-walk-for-shropshire-families/

- WEEKLY Zoom Advice slots – every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

For those would like some face-to-face contact we are offering this virtually via video appointments. Zoom works well on mobile phones. To book a 45 min advice appointment with a specialist autism advisor please book via our shop
https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/events/online-autism-advice-shropshire/

- **Virtual Support Group for Parents** - Wednesday Mornings 10am-11am & Wednesday Evenings 8pm-9pm – NOW 1st and 3rd Weds of each month

From the New Year we moved our online support groups to twice a month via the Zoom platform. This is an opportunity to talk with other parents, share ideas, and offer support.
If you are working with a parent/carer who would like to join either of the support groups, please ask them to email the team here shropshire@autismwestmidlands.org.uk

- **Advice and support**

We continue to offer advice and support over the phone and via email. Parents/carers and professionals can contact our small team directly to arrange an appointment please call:

Mon, Wed, Fri	- Wendy Cowton	07900784186
Weds, Thu, Fri	- Emma Hegenbarth	07881109480
Tue, Wed, Thu	- Dawn Lewis	07706309382
Email	shropshire@autismwestmidlands.org.uk	

Helpline 0121 450 7575

Food Support over Half Term

Wem Store Cupboard has agreed to make up food parcels for half term week which can be pre ordered and collected on **Saturday 19th February from Wem Youth Club between 10am and 11.30.**

Wem Youth Club will also be open on Monday 21st between 10 - 12 noon for Breakfast Play and Eat, Tuesday 22nd and Thursday 24th from 5.30 - 7pm for tea and play.
These sessions will be open to all free of charge, under 7s will need to be accompanied by an adult.

This is not just for students in receipt of free school meals, but also for those in work but on low incomes.

Boxes can be booked by contacting Tel & Fax: 01939 232733

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
	W/C: 28th Feb, 21st March, 25th April, 16th May, 13th June, 4th July, 5th Sept, 26th Sept, 17th Oct	W/C: 7th March, 28th March, 2nd May, 23rd May, 20th June, 11th July, 12th Sept, 3rd Oct	W/C: 14th March, 4th April, 9th May, 6th June, 27th June, 18th July, 19th Sept, 10th Oct
MONDAY	Breaded Fish Fingers, Homemade Pesto Pasta Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Herby Diced Potatoes, Garlic Bread Salad Bar, Garden Peas, Baked Beans Chocolate Muffins	Chicken Bites, Quorn Fillet, Sweet & Sour Sauce Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Egg Noodles, Savoury Vegetable Rice Salad Bar, Garden Peas Rocky Road	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce, Quorn Tomato Sauce Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Penne Pasta Salad Bar, Garden Peas, Carrots Blueberry Muffin
TUESDAY	Chicken Tikka Curry, Sweet Potato & Cauliflower Curry Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Steamed Rice, Naan Bread Salad Bar, Carrots, Cauliflower Fruit Jelly	Pork Sausages & Ketchup, Vegetable Chow Mein Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Oven Baked Chips, Mashed Potato Salad Bar, Baked Beans, Carrots Strawberry Mousse	Harry Ramsdens Fish, Salmon Fish Cakes Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Oven Baked Chips Salad Bar, Garden Peas, Ketchup Fruity Jelly
WEDNESDAY	Mac & Cheese with Bacon , Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Grated Cheese, Garlic Bread Salad Bar, Broccoli, Sweetcorn Steamed Syrup Sponge & Custard	Chicken Korma, Salmon Fish Cakes Jacket Potatoes with various fillings 50/50 Rice, Naan Bread, Potato Wedges Salad Bar, Sweetcorn, Cauliflower Raspberry Smoothie	Chicken Fajitas, Quorn & Roasted Vegetable Fajita Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Potato Wedges, Savoury Rice Salad Bar, Broccoli, Mixed Vegetables Fruit & Oat Cookie
THURSDAY	Minced Beef Tacos, Sweetcorn, Peppers & Quorn Tacos Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Herby Cubed Potatoes, Savoury Rice Salad Bar, Baked Beans, Broccoli Apple & Rhubarb Crumble & Custard	Build a Burger Day: Beef, Chicken & Bean Burgers Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Oven Baked Chips, Grated Cheese, Burger Bread Rolls Salad Bar, Carrot Sticks, Garden Peas Raisin Cookie	Beef Bolognaise, Quorn Bolognaise Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Penne Pasta, Cheesy Garlic Bread Salad Bar, Green Beans, Carrots Chocolate Pear Sponge & Custard
FRIDAY	Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Roasted Vegetable Pizza Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Penne Pasta , Potato Wedges Salad Bar, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans Raspberry Smoothie	Beef Lasagne, Cheese & Tomato Pizza Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Oven Baked Chips, Pasta Salad Bar, Sweetcorn, Coleslaw Vanilla Ice Cream	BBQ Chicken Pizza, Cheese & Tomato Pizza Jacket Potatoes with various fillings Oven Baked Chips, Pasta Salad Bar, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans Ice Cream

Do you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals?

The application is quick and easy.

Parents/carers can make an application online through the Shropshire Council website https://shropshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/.

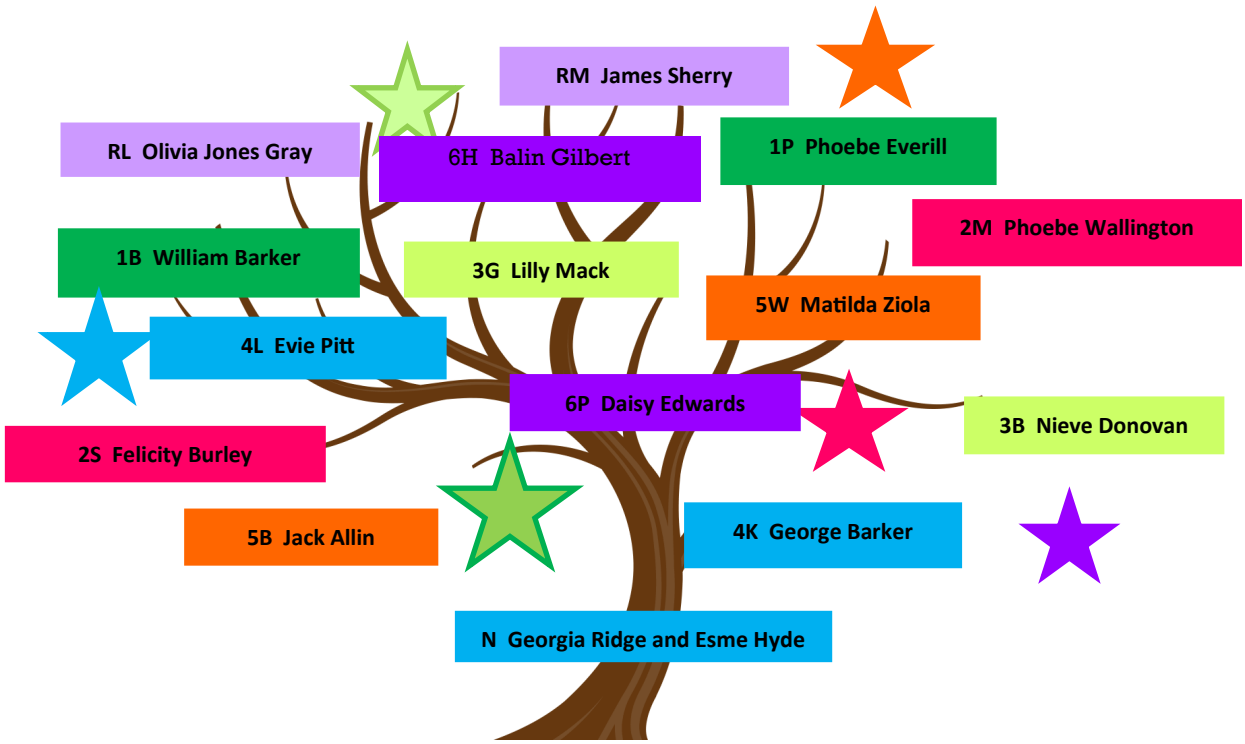


St Peter's Needs you! Trips, sporting events and swimming.

We feel that memorable events are a huge aspect of our children's learning.
As these events start to be rescheduled for all year groups we are in need of your help.
We would really appreciate it if you are able to support classes or groups of children for different trips, events or activities during the year, even if it's just walking to church or the swimming pool.
A DBS check is required for helpers. There is a straight-forward form which can be completed at the office with proof of identity.
If you can help please ask at the school office.
Thanks for your continued support.

Please inform the school of any absence your child may have. **Failure to do so may trigger Educational Welfare action.** Please call 01939 232292 to speak to the office or leave a message.

If there are **exceptional** circumstances that require you to take your child out of school during term time, please complete a leave of absence in term time form. This may be collected from the office and can also be found on our website in the parents' area. Go to Parents Area -> Office -> Forms.



Stars of the Week

** Readiness * Reasoning * Reflectivity * Resilience * Resourcefulness * Respect **