



# St. Peter's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter 8 Friday 9th January

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Local Parish Mass Times	St Peter's	English Martyrs	St Augustine's
Saturday	6pm		6.30pm
Sunday	9am 10.30am 5.30pm	9am	11am

### RE CURRICULUM

<b>EYFS</b>	I know that the Wise Men visited Jesus.
<b>Y1</b>	Know that Jesus got lost in the temple
<b>Y2</b>	John the Baptist baptizes Jesus
<b>Y3</b>	WALT understand what the New Testament means by Miracles WALT know what the Miracle of "healing of the centurion" teaches us
<b>Y4</b>	Different artists interpretation of Jesus investigating evidence through artefacts and scripture
<b>Y5</b>	WALT: explore the meaning of the new law in Matthew and Luke WALT: consider how Jesus' teaching helps us understand the meaning of the new law
<b>Y6</b>	WALT: explore the meaning of the new law in Matthew and Luke WALT: consider how Jesus' teaching helps us understand the meaning of the new law

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we begin this new term, it feels fitting to pause and reflect on the past few weeks, during which we brought the season of Advent to a close and celebrated the joy and hope of Christmas together. Advent is always a special time in our school, encouraging us to slow down, reflect and prepare our hearts, and it was wonderful to see these values lived out so beautifully by our children and staff. The Christmas period itself was filled with warmth, kindness and a strong sense of community, for which I am truly grateful.

We have returned to school this week with a real sense of positivity and energy. It has been a delight to welcome the children back and to see how quickly they have settled into learning routines once again. Our return was even graced by a dusting of snow, which added to the sense of excitement and wonder and brought many smiles to faces across the school.

We have a Mass on Monday to reflect this special time and warmly welcome the parental community to join us for this special occasion.

We have also enjoyed great success with our recent Golden Ticket prize draw. This has been a wonderful way to celebrate positive attitudes, behaviour and effort across the school, and I look forward to sharing specific details and successes with you shortly. Recent feedback from children highlights how well the new Golden Ticket initiative has been received and how well this motivates pupils. I am delighted to share that all four houses earned more than 2000 Golden Tickets which means they will all have a non school uniform day and an OPAL Play afternoon later this term. Fire house earned more than 3000 Golden Tickets and will also receive an Ice Cream Party! Finally, a number of children have won exciting prizes in the Golden Ticket Draw. This includes VIP in-school cinema experiences, a Pizza making experience at Pizza Express, and Waterstones vouchers. We will share details with parents of winning children in the coming weeks. A huge well done to all of our amazing children for their hard work and positive behaviour in the Autumn term.

I would like to remind parents and carers that the school car park must not be used at drop-off or pick-up times unless you have permission to do so. This is a vital safeguarding measure and is essential in keeping our children safe. The car park is private property and is not authorised for parent use. Due to ongoing concerns, the school is currently exploring the use of fixed penalty notices and clamping for unauthorised use of the car park. While this is not a step we wish to take, the safety of our children must always come first, and we appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

Recently, I had the pleasure of interviewing 60 children from across the school to gather their views on school life. This was a hugely positive and uplifting experience, and I was impressed by how thoughtful, articulate and reflective our pupils were. Their voices are incredibly important to us, and their feedback will feed directly into our ongoing work around continuous school improvement. Children overwhelmingly speak about their love of the school, their sense of belonging here, and positive relationships with friends and trusted adults. This was a very worthwhile exercise and has given us a small number of areas to further improve. The voice of our children is incredibly important to us here at St. Peter's.

Finally, I would also like to remind families that we currently have a single space available in Year 1, along with a small number of spaces in Reception. If you know of any families who may be looking for a school place, please do encourage them to contact the school.

Additionally, as parents begin to think ahead to applications for September 2026, we would be very grateful if you could recommend St. Peter's to friends and family who are choosing a primary school for their child. The closing date for applications is next week.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We are truly blessed to be part of such a caring and supportive school community. May the weeks ahead be filled with hope, kindness and joy.

Kind regards,  
Mr. Kurt Doyle  
Headteacher

**WHOLE SCHOOL MASS**

**MONDAY, 12TH JANUARY 2026**

**9.00AM**

**All are welcome to attend**



**ROAD CLOSURE – HORTON ROAD**

We have been informed by Gloucestershire Highways that access to Horton Road will be closed near the traffic lights on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> January. Please make sure you give yourselves extra time to get to school.



**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Monday 12th January	Whole School	New Year Mass	9.00am everyone welcome
Wednesday 11th February	Whole School	Parents' Evening	3.30pm—6.00pm
Thursday 12th February	Whole School	Parents' Evening	3.30pm—6.00pm
Friday 13th February	Whole School	Valentines Disco	
Friday 13th February		<b>FINISH NORMAL TIME</b>	
Monday 16th February		<b>HALF TERM</b>	
Monday 23rd February	Whole School	Start of the new term	8.45am

**DINNER MENU – w/c 12th JANUARY**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese & Bean Pasty	Beef Burger	Roast Chicken	Chicken Enchilada Bake	Battered Fish & Chips
Tomato Pasta	Creamy Coconut Curry	Vegan Sausage	Vegan Bolognese	Mexican Bean Roll with Chips
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato

**DINNER MENU – w/c 19th JANUARY**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Cheese &amp; Tomato Pizza</b>	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	Roast Gammon	Curried Chicken	Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetable Pasta Bake	Vegan Burger	Roast Quorn	Macaroni Cheese	Cheese Whirl with Chips
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato