



St Peter's C of E Junior School
A place for all to flourish

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Friday 25th July 2025

FAREWELL, YEAR 6



Dear Year 6,

Today is more than just the end of your time at St Peter's. It's a beginning. It's a doorway.

You arrived here four years ago – a little smaller, maybe a little unsure – but full of potential. And look at you now. You've grown not just in height, but in confidence, in kindness, in courage.

You've become you.

Over the years, you've played, explored, stumbled, succeeded – and through it all, you've learned. Not just about numbers or stories or the Romans. You've learned about how to be a friend. How to listen. How to bounce back.

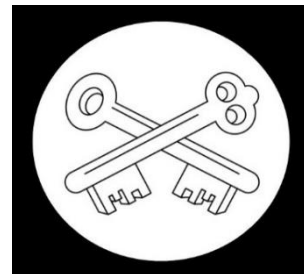
And while all of that was happening, something even more magical was quietly taking place - you were busy collecting keys.

Not the kind you keep in your pocket. These keys are different.

Take a look at your school jumper. Right above your heart is our logo – and on it, a simple set of keys.

Some schools have dragons or stars. Ours? We chose keys. Because keys unlock doors. They represent potential. Possibility.

They've always been there. But now, they mean something more. They're part of you.



Each one of you now carries a set. A set that's been forged not from metal, but from moment. Moments like the time you let someone else go first; the time you helped a friend; the time you got something wrong – and didn't give up; the questions you asked; the stories you wrote; the courage you showed.

These are your keys now. And though you can't see them, they're real. They will go with you as you leave St Peter's – tucked not in your pocket, but in your heart. And they will open doors: to new schools; new friendships; new adventures; new dreams. And one day? To careers, to love, to families, to lives you haven't even imagined yet.

Now, I'll be honest with you – the world isn't always easy. Some of you know that already. There'll be days when things don't go to plan. When you doubt yourself. When the door you want to open feels stuck. When you wonder if you're enough. But when those days come, I want you to pause. Take a breath. Reach for those keys and remember who you are:

You are not too small;
You are not too young;
You are exactly enough.

Today. Right now. Exactly as you are.

And wherever life takes you – whether it's just down the road or far beyond Ruddington – these keys will always be yours. You may forget they're there. They may not always jingle. But they will be ready when you need them.

And when that moment comes – when you take a leap, try something brave, or walk through a new door – you'll find them. And you'll know what to do.

The truth is Year 6, you were never just learning lessons here at St Peter's. You were learning how to shine. You were learning to be you.

So as this chapter closes and a new one begins, take those keys. Open those doors. And show the world what's possible.

For everyone else, I look forward to continuing the journey with you in September.

Have a wonderful summer,

Headteacher

REMINDERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Please find below a few reminders for September...

UNIFORM

All pupils are expected to wear full uniform. As per the school uniform policy:

- Jogging bottoms are fine as part of a PE kit but should not be worn on non-PE days to replace trousers or skirts.
- Plain black/grey/navy hoodies are fine as part of a PE kit but should not be worn on non-PE days to replace jumpers/fleeces/sweatshirts.
- Earrings can be worn if they are plain studs although these need to be removed for PE (no other jewellery is allowed).
- Nail varnish or other makeup is not to be worn.
- Any hair which is below shoulder length should be tied back - this applies to pupils of all genders.
- Plain black trainers are acceptable but these must be plain in colour and design (no designer logos).
- On non-PE days, a red fleece or grey sweatshirt/jumper should be worn (no hoodies please).

PE KITS

We will be continuing to ask pupils to come to school wearing their PE kits on their designated days. This should include:

- Plain white Tee shirt
 - Black shorts/leggings or tracksuit bottoms
 - Plain black or grey tracksuit top or your school sweatshirt/fleece
 - Outdoor trainers (no branding)
 - Hair should be tied back with practical hair accessories
 - No branded football kits or logos on clothing
 - No earrings or other jewellery
- If a child is not wearing the correct PE kit or uniform, an email or text will be sent to the child's parent to remind them of our policy.

START OF THE SCHOOL DAY

For their safety, children should not come onto the school grounds any earlier than 8.45am as there will be no one supervising.

Years 3: The school bell will ring at 8:58am which will indicate to pupils to line up. One of the teachers will blow their whistle which will indicate children need to be quiet and the pupils will be led into school.

Year 4: From 8:55am, the doors to the Year 4 classroom doors will open and pupils will be able to begin to enter the school until 9:00am.



Years 5 and 6: At 8:50am, the school doors will be open for Years 5 and 6 pupils to come into school and to go straight to their classrooms.

END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Years 3 and 4: Pupils will be able to be collected from outside of their classrooms at 3:30pm.

Years 5 and 6: Pupils will be led down the drive by their teacher at 3:30pm where they can be collected from the school gates.

WHAT TO BRING TO SCHOOL

Children should limit the amount of items they bring into school each day to essential items only: a refillable water bottle, lunch box, trainers, hat, coat, books and bags. No pencil cases or equipment should be brought in as school will be providing these for each pupil. No toys or play items should be brought from home.

ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

Attendance above 97%	Above 97%. Less than 6 days absence a year: Excellent attendance! Pupils with this attendance should achieve the best grades they can leading to best possible start in their secondary education.
Attendance of 95%	95%. Less than 10 days absence in a year: Pupils with this attendance are likely to achieve their target grades and will be well prepared for starting secondary education
Attendance of 90%	90%. 19 days absence over the year: Pupils with this attendance are missing a month of school per year and may fall behind in Maths and Literacy. It will be difficult for them to achieve their best.
Attendance of 85%	85%. 29 days absence in a year: These pupils are missing 6 weeks of school a year; it will be very difficult for them to keep up and achieve their best.
Attendance at 80% or below	80%. Pupils with this attendance are missing a day for every week of school. It will be almost impossible to keep up with work. Parents of pupils with this level of attendance could be issued with a Penalty Notice.

SNACKS AT BREAK TIME

Children can bring a snack to eat during playtime, but we request that healthy choices are made, such as fruit. Sweets, crisps and chocolate are not allowed. A reminder that snacks, like lunchbox foods, should not contain nuts or sesame seeds as we have children in school with allergies to these items.

TRANSFORM YOUR FUTURE

Please see the attached flyers regarding a community-led project called Transform Your Future to provide free support to Rushcliffe residents about getting into work or training.



Paul Clifton – Futures Careers Advisor – is based at West Bridgford library on Fridays between 9.30 and 2.30pm for drop-in appointments.

PUPIL LEADERSHIP – GOVERNOR PRESENTATION

On Monday morning, we hosted our first ever Pupil Leadership End of Year Awards!

270+ pupils were acknowledged for their leadership and contributions to school this academic year, each of them receiving an individual certificate.

6 members of our Governing Body attended the awards and presented each of our 24-strong pupil parliament with a unique medal, thanking them for their service to school and being our ministers for 24/25.

To end the assembly 10 awards were given out for 'Outstanding Pupil Leadership.' These children have been exemplary in their conduct, commitment and dedication to their roles, selflessly giving up their time and energy to be proactive and enhance enjoyment and community within our school.

It has been a real pleasure to see Pupil Leadership flourish over the course of this year and this is JUST the beginning! More to come in 25/26, exciting times ahead!



BASKETBALL RALLY

On Monday evening, not one, but two, St Peter's basketball teams represented our school in impeccable style at the end of season basketball rally hosted in our school hall! The atmosphere was electric with an audience of spectators of 70+ people!

Congratulations to all 20 players, who were notably praised by the referee (and basketball development officer for Nottingham) Jimmy 'Jumpshot' Smith for their exceptional interplay, teamwork and movement of the ball.



In total, over 56 points were scored, which was very impressive considering each game was only 6-8 minutes long (3-4 minutes each way!)

Both St Peter's teams won 2 out of 3 games, and were just narrowly defeated by an excellent South Wilford Team who have been unbeaten all season. We gave them a very good run for their money! In fact, their coach said that our team were the most talented they'd played against all season. Quite the accolade!

Well done, everyone!



ZOOM CALL WITH JAPAN

To round off this term's Japanese Club, we enjoyed a wonderful Zoom session with our Japanese friends and their teacher Akiko Kinoshita Sensai, from the Yunotani Elementary School in Niigata. Did you know that 'Yunotani' means 'Valley of the Hot Springs'?

An amazing number of pupils attended: 21 of our Year 5 and Year 6 Japanese Club members, plus 42 Japanese pupils learning English – 63 young people in all!

We all enjoyed a 'rock, paper, scissors' competition to start, followed by some introductions, a Q&A session, a 'show & tell' and a rousing chorus of the song 'It's a Small World' to end.

Highlights included: Ralph's Rubik Cube skills, Maevy's origami, and Amy and Penny's English tea and biscuits.

We were super impressed with Mia, Holly and Ivy's Japanese language skills!



SEPTEMBER'S SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

You can now find the school dinner menu for September's Autumn Term on the school website: <https://www.stpetersjunior.org.uk/school-meals/>

The menu is also attached to this newsletter email.

Thank you to our Catering Manager, Mr Preston, and our entire kitchen and midday team for all of the effort that they put in to making lunchtimes enjoyable for the children of St Peter's. We appreciate you!



Meet your 2025/26 Friends of School team!

MEET YOUR 2025/26 FOS TEAM

 LEIA MORALES CHAIR	 SARAH BEARDSLEY VICE CHAIR	 GEMMA FOX SECRETARY	 NERYS JONES TREASURER
 BETH RUSHTON SHOPPING MANAGER	 MARGARITA MANNING RAFFLE OFFICER	 ROB OSMOND BAR MANAGER	 RICHARD BRODERICK GRANTS OFFICER
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FOS

Could you be our next Marketing Lead?

Friends of St. Peter's are looking for a creative, organised communicator to help promote events, manage our social media, and bring our fundraising to life – all whilst working with a great team of supportive volunteers. If you're confident with Canva (or keen to learn), love connecting with people, and want to support the school in a fun, flexible role, we'd love to hear from you!

Contact: fos.stpeters@gmail.com

Follow the Friends of St Peter's Junior School channel on WhatsApp. No chat, only information on our amazing events.

<https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029VbAom9b7DAWwUkMs0N37>

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OUR EVENTS**



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CHANNEL**

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FROM FOS ADMINS.
NO CHAT!**

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ALL ABOUT FRIENDS OF ST PETER'S
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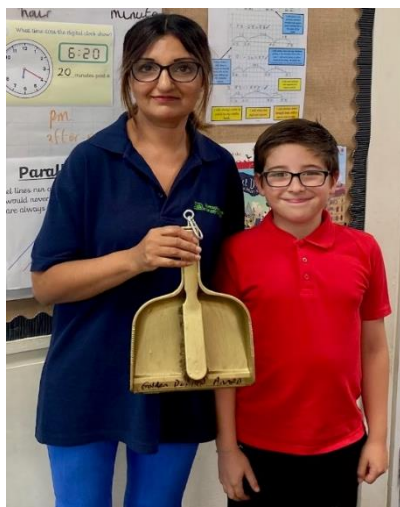


GOLDEN DUSTPAN AWARD (GDA) – YEAR GROUP RESULTS

The Golden Dustpan Award is an initiative to help pupils take pride and focus on the importance of respecting their learning spaces in the classroom, including cloakrooms and toilets. This initiative also helps respect the diligent work of our pupils, promotes good behaviour, creates a positive learning environment and contributes to the overall well-being and beautification of the school. The classrooms awarded hang the Golden Dustpan outside their classroom door for recognition.

This week Cleaning staff, Mr Atkins, Ms Chesney and Mr Swift, handed out the final GDA's of the school year, including the results of which classes in each year group that have won it the most. They were presented with the GDA trophies to class reps and pupils received a small gift too!!

Congratulations to:



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Thank you to all those that look after our school, inside and out.

Mr Farrell, Site Manager.



The Summer Reading Challenge, aimed at children aged 4 to 11 years, is to read six or more library books over the summer. There are stickers to collect and a medal and certificate when a child completes the Challenge. This year's Challenge is called is Story Garden. Story Garden celebrates nature and the great outdoors, exploring adventure, fantasy and the magical world of storytelling.



For more information and how to take part:

<https://www.inspireculture.org.uk/reading-information/childrens-library/summer-reading-challenge/>

Nottinghamshire

Holiday activities and food

**Find out about FUNDED school holiday activities
and food for eligible children and young people in Notts!**

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- ✓ 5-16 years old (4 if in school Reception)
- ✓ lives in Nottinghamshire, and
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You can search by postcode to find activities in your area or view the list of providers and the type of activity they offer.

Find out more or contact us:



[Nottinghamshire.gov.uk/Hafprogramme](https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/Hafprogramme)



0115 9774 999 (line open 10am-2pm, Monday to Friday).



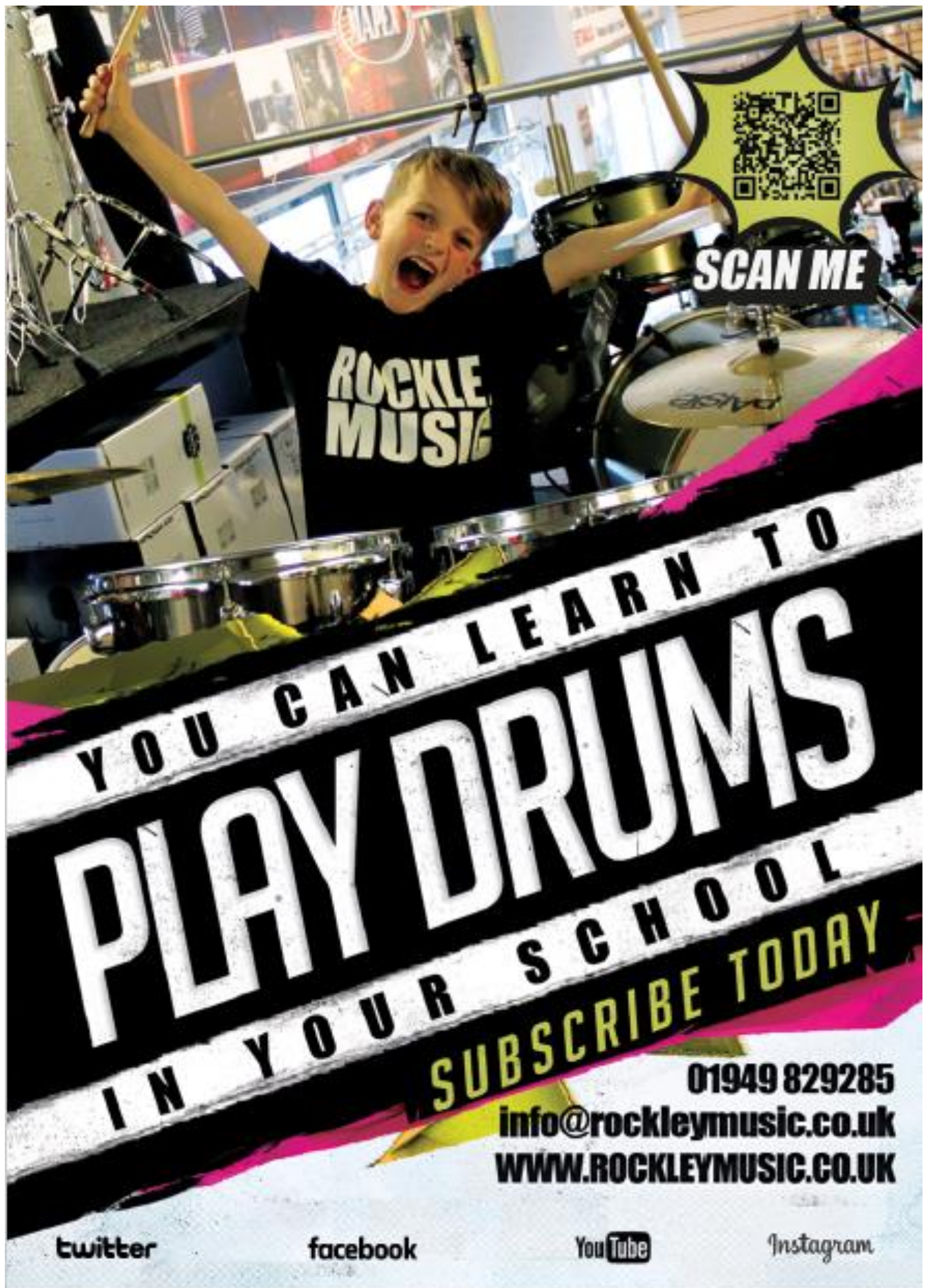
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Sign up NOW!

Laser tag is epic and I think I'm Addicted!

Karting is waaaaaay the best thing ever. Can't wait to come back!





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DATES FOR THE DIARY	
Friday 25 th July 2025	FOS Year 6 Leavers' Lunch
Monday 28 th and Tuesday 29 th July 2025	Inset Days
Wednesday 30 th July to Friday 29 th August 2025	Summer Holidays
Monday 1 st September 2025	School Administration Day – site closed to pupils.
Tuesday 2 nd September 2025	First Day of Autumn Term
Monday 8 th September 2025	Art and Woodland Clubs Start
Tuesday 9 th September 2025	Gardening and Choir Clubs Start
Saturday 13 th September 2025	Rushcliffe Schools FA Girls' Football Tournament – at St Peter's School
Monday 15 th September 2025	Tag Rugby Club Starts
Tuesday 16 th September 2025	Nottingham Hoods Basketball Club (am) and World Sports (pm) Starts
Wednesday 17 th September 2025	Girls' Football Club Starts
Thursday 18 th September 2025	South Wolds Open Evening
Thursday 18 th September 2025	Hockey Club Starts
Saturday 20 th September 2025	Rushcliffe Schools FA Boys' Football Tournament – at St Peter's School
Wednesday 1 st October 2025	Individual Pupil Photos – Sibling Photos Available 8am-9am
Friday 17 th October 2025	Last Day of Half-Term
Monday 20 th October to Friday 31 st October 2025	Half-Term Break – Site Closed to Pupils