



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



INFORM



Wednesday 18th December 2024

NEW LUNCH MENU

In the New Year, we will be launching our brand-new school lunch menu. Designed by our new Catering Manager, Anthony Preston, the meals aim to be healthy, nutritious and tasty. Last week, our Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister questioned Anthony to find out more about the changes ahead...



Why did you want to be our school catering manager?

Having children who attend the local schools (including St Peter's), running a business in Ruddington (The Bottle Top) and also living in the area, I wanted to give something back to the local community. I am passionate about children eating fresh, nutritious and delicious food and so thought this was a fantastic opportunity to make a real difference.

What changes are you making to the menu?

We are including more freshly made dishes with locally grown vegetables to boost the nutritional value of our meals. We are also taking steps to reduce our environmental footprint and be more inclusive. We will be serving some school classics as well as food from around the world.

What are your plans for the future?

My aim is to run a sustainable school kitchen that uses locally grown and fresh produce with food education at the forefront. I believe it's important that children are given an education that cultivates in them an understanding of food and nutrition – I would love to get the pupils involved in growing their own vegetables to use in our school dinners and run workshops for the children. I want all of the pupils at St Peter's to be eating tasty and nutritious meals and the key to this is ensuring the children are excited about the food they are eating.

Our brand new menus can be found below or on our website –

<https://www.stpetersjunior.org.uk/school-meals/>

ST PETER'S				
WEEK 1 LUNCH MENU				
WEEK COMMENCING 6 JANUARY / 27 JANUARY / 17 FEBRUARY / 10 MARCH / 31 MARCH				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course				
Tomato Pasta Garlic Bread Salad Crunchy Veg	Sausage Mashed Potato Peas Gravy Crunchy Veg	Roast Turkey Stuffing Balls Roast Potato 3 Veg Gravy	Pizza Salad Crunchy Veg	Fish Chunky Chips Peas Crunchy Veg
Meat Free				
Tomato Pasta Garlic Bread Salad Crunchy Veg	Meat-Free Sausage Mashed Potato Peas Gravy Crunchy Veg	Meat-Free Fillet Roast Potato 3 Veg Gravy	Pizza Salad Crunchy Veg	Vegan Roll Chunky Chips Peas Crunchy Veg
Jacket Potatoes				
Crispy skin jacket potato with tasty toppings Including Cheese & Beans				
Puddings				
Sponge with Sprinkles	Arctic Roll	Muffin	Banana Bread	Crumble with Custard

ST PETER'S				
WEEK 2 LUNCH MENU				
WEEK COMMENCING 13 JANUARY / 3 FEBRUARY / 24 FEBRUARY / 17 MARCH				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course				
Curry Rice Naan Bread Crunchy Veg	Meatball Sub Potato Wedges Salad Crunchy Veg	Roast Beef Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potato 3 Veg Gravy	Spanish Chicken Patatas Bravas Roasted Veg Crunchy Veg	Chicken Nuggets Potato Wedges Beans Hoops Crunchy Veg
Meat Free				
Curry Rice Naan Bread Crunchy Veg	Meat-Free Meatball Sub Potato Wedges Salad Crunchy Veg	Meat-Free Fillet Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potato 3 Veg Gravy	Meat-Free Spanish Chicken Patatas Bravas Roasted Veg Crunchy Veg	Quorn Dippers Potato Wedges Beans Hoops Crunchy Veg
Jacket Potatoes				
Crispy skin jacket potato with tasty toppings Including Cheese & Beans				
Puddings				
Lemon Sponge	Ice Cream	Brownies	Upside Down Cake	Cornflake Tart

ST PETER'S				
WEEK 3 LUNCH MENU				
WEEK COMMENCING 20 JANUARY / 10 FEBRUARY / 3 MARCH / 24 MARCH				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course				
Chilli Rice Nachos Crunchy Veg	Beef Hotpot 3 Veg Crunchy Veg	Roast Chicken Stuffing Balls Roast Potato 3 Veg Gravy	Tacos Rice Salsa Crunchy Veg	Chicken in a Bun Sweet-Potato Fries Salad Crunchy Veg
Meat Free				
Chilli Rice Nachos Crunchy Veg	Hotpot 3 Veg Crunchy Veg	Meat-Free Fillet Roast Potato 3 Veg Gravy	Tacos Rice Salsa Crunchy Veg	Meat-Free Chicken in a Bun Sweet-Potato Fries Salad Crunchy Veg
Jacket Potatoes				
Crispy skin jacket potato with tasty toppings Including Cheese & Beans				
Puddings				
Marble Cake	Flapjack	Carrot Cake	Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Custard	Cheese & Biscuits

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

This Friday (20th December), we have our whole-school annual **Christmas Carol Concert** at St Peter's Church. Family members are invited to come along and sing along to a host of traditional Christmas songs. Doors will open at 10:15am.

We are also looking for any volunteers who would be willing to help walk their child's class down to the church and back to school for lunch time. If you are able to help, please let us know.



YEAR 4 PRODUCTION – *THE WIZARD OF OZ*

A huge congratulations to the children in Year 4 who put on an amazing performance of *The Wizard of Oz* last week. They did an exceptional job acting, singing and dancing, to provide a very polished show, which was enjoyed by their families and the rest of the pupils. Lots of backstage and technical crew, alongside the teachers, were also instrumental in the production's success.

We'd like to take the opportunity to thank the parents for supporting with learning of lines and costumes at a busy time of the year. We also received £124.95 in donations, which will go towards the cost of the costumes and play licence.

It was lovely to receive lots of compliments from those who watched the performance. We are very proud of all the children – what stars!





CHRISTMAS CAMPFIRES

It is beginning to feel like a St Peter's tradition...

This week, all of the children have taken part in their Christmas Campfire - a lovely way to celebrate everyone's efforts this term. The campfires are an opportunity for classes to gather together around the fire in our beautiful woodlands, hear a Christmas tale, and toast a marshmallow for their s'mores. Without the fantastic Mr Sinclair and Mr Dring, this activity would not be able to go ahead – an experience that we hope children will cherish and remember.



CLEAR CLOAKROOMS

LOST PROPERTY WILL DISPLAYED IN BASECAMP FROM WEDNESDAY 18TH – FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2024 FOR PARENTS TO RECLAIM ITEMS

Please ensure that children empty their cloakrooms, classrooms and cubby holes for any items that belong to them, before the end of the week. **Everything must go home.** Lost property and any remaining items will be collected and donated to charity over the break if not claimed, as we do not have the storage space to keep them. All scooters and bicycles should also be taken home on Friday. Thank you!



SCHOOL CHOIR

Wow! We were so proud of our school choir last week when they performed a number of songs for the Rushcliffe Dementia Café at the country park. The choir put on a fabulous performance which was much appreciated by all of those who attended.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance since September (up until 17th Dec) is 96.41%, this is 0.67% decrease when compared to the same period last year (97.08%). Unfortunately, we know that there have been a few illnesses doing the rounds, but we encourage you to report any absences to the office. This should be communicated daily until children return to school.

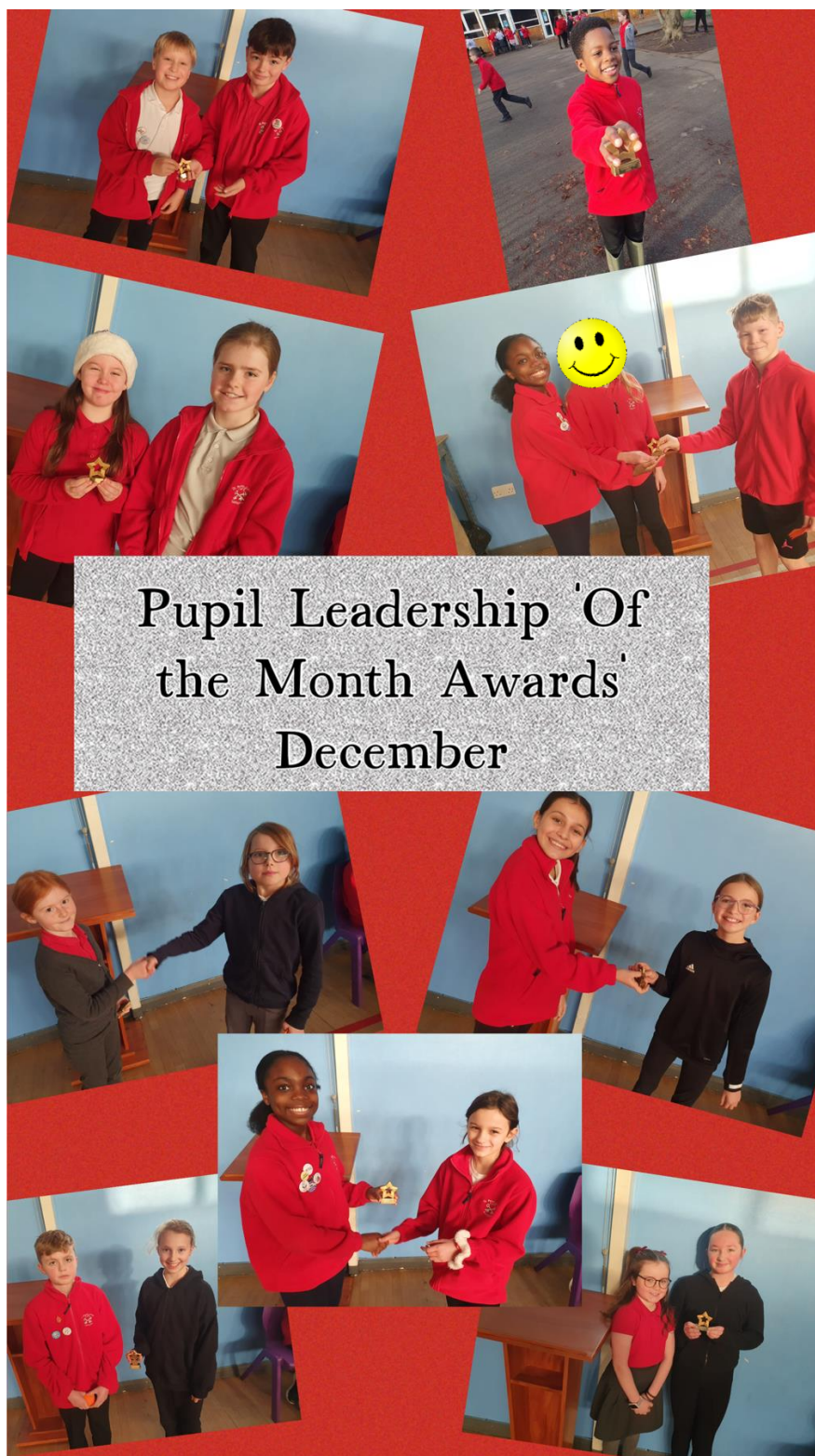
Attendance that falls below 96% is a cause for concern and attendance below 90% is considered persistent absenteeism. In these instances, you may be invited to discuss your child's attendance and/or receive a letter that highlights our concerns and offers support to address any barriers that may be affecting good attendance. Our aim is to work collaboratively, knowing that good attendance is the first step to achieving good outcomes.

96-100%	Attendance levels are good to excellent Positive encouragement/incentives/rewards required to maintain high levels of attendance.
93-95.9%	Attendance levels beginning to cause concern Analyse data and provide reports to regularly monitor attendance/reasons for absence, patterns etc. Letter from school warning parents of concern and advise that future absences not to be authorised unless medical evidence is provided.
90-92.9%	Attendance levels causing more significant concern Parents invited to a meeting at school and Attendance Action Plan/contract agreed. A date for plan/contract to be reviewed agreed at the meeting (four weeks), individual attendance target set.
90%* 85%**	Attendance decreased to unacceptable level –below persistent absence rate – despite interventions *Below 90% - refer to Early Help when complex issues identified. **Below 85% - refer to Nottinghamshire County Council for enforcement/possible prosecution.

OUR PUPIL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

On Monday, in whole-school assembly, we held our second 'OF THE MONTH PUPIL LEADERSHIP AWARDS.' Ten children from across the school were nominated by members of staff who support the organisation and running of these leadership groups.

Each nominee was announced by their Minister (chair of the group) who sit on Pupil Parliament. A huge thank you to all 250+ pupils who hold a leadership position within our school and an extra special WELL DONE to those who have been specifically recognised for their contribution to school this month.



THANK YOU FOS

Just look at these brand-new team sport shirts! 4 colourways, funded entirely by our Friends of School as a result of all of your kind donations!

This means St Peter's pupils will look amazing when representing the school at sporting events. Thank you!



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Our wonderful Friends of School team would like to wish all St Peter's pupils and families a very...



...and thank you for your attendance, participation and help at all of our events so far. See you in the new year!



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 18 th December 2024	Year 6 Showcase Cinema Visit
Thursday 19 th December 2024	Head, Heart and Hands Celebration
Friday 20 th December 2024	FOS Christmas Decorations down at 9.00am. Helpers required – just turn up! Mince pie included.
Friday 20 th December 2024	Christmas Carol Concert – St Peter's Church @10:15am
Friday 20 th December 2024	LAST DAY OF TERM
Monday 23 rd December 2024 – Friday 3 rd January 2025	End-of-term Holiday – site closed to pupils.
Monday 6 th January 2025	Start of Spring Term – site open to pupils.
Friday 17 th January 2025	FOS Bake Sale
Friday 17 th January 2025	James Naish MP to meet Pupil Parliament
Friday 24 th January 2025	FOS Family Fun Night
Friday 24 th January 2025	Y4 International Day of Education Project
Tuesday 28 th January 2025	Year 6 Height and Weight Checks
Wednesday 29 th January 2025	Houses of Parliament Visit
Monday 3 rd February 2025	Y6 SATs parents Information Evening
Tuesday 4 th February 2025	FOS Pupil Disco
Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th February 2025	Anti-Racism Awareness Week
Monday 10 th – Thursday 13 th February 2025	Parents' Evening Week
Tuesday 11 th February 2025	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 13 th February 2025	Green Team Visit to Mansfield Materials Recovery Facility
Friday 14 th February 2025	Year 6 Beaumanor Hall Visit
Friday 14 th February 2025	Y5 World Day of Social Justice project
Friday 14 th February 2025	Head, Heart and Hands Celebration
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st February 2025	HALF-TERM HOLIDAY – site closed to pupils.
Monday 24 th February – Friday 28 th February 2025	Mustard Seed Sponsored Walk
Wednesday 26 th February 2025	Hathersage Information Parents' Evening
Thursday 27 th February 2025	Young Voices visit
Thursday 27 th and Friday 28 th February 2025	Year 6 WW11 Day
Monday 3 rd March 2025	Year 4 Parents Evening – Multiplication Check
Wednesday 5 th March 2025	Year 4 Roman Visit to Lincoln Castle
Thursday 6 th March 2025	World Book Day
Thursday 6 th March 2025	Year 4 Swimming starts
Friday 7 th March 2025	Guy Bass Author Visit

Friday 7 th March 2025	Year 3 International Women's Day Project
Friday 14 th March 2025	Mustard Seed Fashion Show
Monday 17 th March 2025	FOS Family Bingo
Thursday 20 th and Friday 21 st March 2025	Easter Labrinth
Wednesday 26 th March 2025	Year 3 to Cresswell Craggs
Tuesday 1 st April 2025	Spring Music Concert
Friday 4 th April 2025	Easter Egg Rolling Final
Friday 4 th April 2025	Head, Heart and Hands Celebration
Monday 7 th April to Monday 21 st April 2025	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Site open to pupils
Wednesday 23 rd April to Friday 2 nd May	Y5 Hathersage Visits