



## St. Peter's Primary School Parental Newsletter

October 2025



### Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to thank you for your continued partnership and cooperation throughout this school term. Our children have experienced many fun and engaging events which have contributed towards them increasing in confidence, developing skills and reaching many learning goals.

You will have seen information and photographs of these activities through your child's class dojo account. I hope you have thoroughly enjoyed the engagement and partnership through dojo this term.

I am very much looking forward to continuing to work with you all again in the new term.

Please note the school is opened to staff only on Monday 20 October and pupils return on Tuesday 21 October at 9am.

### Parents' Evening

This is an opportunity for you to have valuable face to face time discussing your child's wellbeing and progress with staff who work with them closely each day and know them so well. I hope you find these conversations both informative and helpful. The meeting between you, your child and your child's teacher will take place in the classroom.

You should have received a letter home asking you to select your preferred option for your parents' evening appointment. Please complete this and return to your child's teacher by Friday 24 October. This provides you with the opportunity to select a time either on Wednesday 19 November between 5pm and 8pm or Thursday 20 November between 3pm and 6pm. Each appointment lasts approximately 10 minutes, and I must ask that you do your best to keep to the allocated timeslot as this allows the evening to run smoothly for everyone. Please do not hesitate to speak with Mrs Catherine McLean DHT or I if you feel the discussion you need to have requires more time. We would be more than happy to talk with you or arrange a further appointment with your child's class teacher.



### Primary 1 Registration

This will take place online between Tuesday 4 November and Friday 7 November 2025 for children who will be expected to begin primary 1 in August 2026. If your child turns 5 between 1 March 2025 and 29 February 2026 you should complete online registration. If your child is still 4 in August 2025 you can apply for an additional year of ELCC. Please speak to your child's key worker or the Senior Early Learning and

Childcare Officer if you think your child would benefit from an additional year at nursery. This will be considered where there are reasons to suggest that it would be in your child's best interests and a deferred application will be made to the local authority.

What should you do if you are unable to complete online registration?

You should make contact with the school and make an appointment to attend in person. This will allow you to complete the registration process within the suggested timescale to secure your child's place.

What will you need to register your child at school?

During the registration process, you will be required to produce the following documentation to support your child's entry to school:

1. Child's full Birth Certificate
2. Most recent Council Tax Notice or if not currently resident in the property either a concluded missive or a signed and witnessed tenancy agreement/lease. We will check the information provided with other Council departments and our audit colleagues; this may include visiting your home to confirm residence. We may also check your address again prior to a school term commencing and if we suspect fraud we may rescind your place and refer the matter to the Procurator Fiscal.
3. Child Benefit Statement. (In the event that a Child Benefit Statement is not available, a Driving Licence or a Bank Statement/utility bill showing transactions over the most recent 3 months and the applicant's address may be accepted). Or if appropriate to current circumstances: Court Order / Looked After Child/Foster carer document(s).
4. Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate if your child has been baptised. Please note this is not required to attend St. Peter's Primary.



You should be able to access further information by searching 'apply for a place at school' on Renfrewshire Council website.

**Breakfast Club**

This is now available for all children who wish to attend. Please collect a consent form from the school office if you would like your child to attend any day of the week. There is a small charge of 50p each morning for some toast, cereal, fruit, milk, and water.

**Tempest Photographer**

There will be an opportunity for children to have school photographs taken on Tuesday 21 October. This will be for individuals and families. You can decide if you want to purchase the photographs taken. All proofs will be sent home for you to make your decision.

## School Values

Our children regularly talk about our school values and what it means to be kind, respectful, responsible, fair and honest. We focus on how to demonstrate this in school and in the community. It would be helpful if you could regularly talk to your child at home about our school values to reinforce the message that they are ambassadors of our school and ambassadors of their family. Please encourage them to continue to make us proud every day.

## School Attendance

It is extremely important that your child is able to attend school. During the unfortunate times when your child is unable to attend, I ask that you please contact the school office before 9.30am to let us know why. If we do not hear from you we will send a text in the hope that you respond immediately. If we have no contact from home and your child has still not arrived at school by 10am you may receive a home visit from a member of school staff to check that everyone is safe and well. I appreciate your cooperation in letting us know when and why your child cannot attend. My hope for this year is that everyone enjoys good health alongside many happy days at school.



## Communication

As always, we are really keen to hear your views and provide you with opportunities to speak with us in relation to any matter. You may contact us by telephone (0300 300 0188) or by using the following email addresses:

Mrs Mazzoni

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Mrs Catherine McLean (Acting DHT)

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Finally, I hope you all have a wonderful holiday and enjoy some precious family time.

Best wishes,

*Sharon Mazzoni*

Head Teacher

## Dates for your Diary:

### October

Monday 20	In-service Day (only staff attend on this day)
Tuesday 21	Mrs Michelle Ferguson starts in p4/5 today
	<b>Tempest Photographer here (individuals and families)</b>
Thursday 23	am NVR programme in school for participating families
Friday 24	Non-uniform day (donate a bottle for Christmas Fayre please) Parents' Evening appointments to be distributed to parents/carers today
Monday 27	Primary 7 organising Halloween Costume Swap (Mrs Maclean and p7 will provide further details) Pupil from St. Andrew's Academy here for work experience this week
Tuesday 28	P5 & P6 pupils attending Stirling Castle for educational outing today 10.15am Renfrewshire Road Race taking place
Wednesday 29	Bart Gee Family Learning Session – 'Turning Disability into Possibility' This will be such a worthwhile event – please come along!
Thursday 30	am NVR programme in school for participating families 2-2.45pm Bookbug for ELCC children and families in school library Halloween Movie Night – organised by parent council who will provide details
Friday 31	Halloween parties in class today – pupils can come to school dressed in costume (please do not allow children to bring props or masks that may scare or hurt other children)

### November

Monday 3	10am Whole school attending Mass in St. Peter's Church – All Saints Day
Tuesday 4	Primary 1 online registration (for ELCC children joining p1 in August 2026)
Wednesday 5	Primary 1 online registration (for ELCC children joining p1 in August 2026)
Thursday 6	Primary 1 online registration (for ELCC children joining p1 in August 2026) am NVR programme in school for participating families 5-7pm Information evening for p7 pupils and families at St. Andrew's Academy
Friday 7	Primary 1 online registration (for ELCC children joining p1 in August 2026) ends today.
Sunday 9	10am Primary 7 pupils and families invited to attend St. Peter's Church for important Mass of Enrolment – I look forward to seeing you all there

Monday 10		Anti-bullying week begins
		Pupils can wear odd socks today to celebrate the beginning of anti-bullying week
	1.30pm	School receiving a visit from Janie O'Neil, Director of Children's Services
Wednesday 12	pm	Flu Immunisation Programme taking place for participating pupils today
	5.30pm	Parent Council Meeting – everyone is invited – please come along!
Thursday 13	am	NVR for participating parents/carers
Friday 14		Anti-bullying week ends today
		Non-uniform day (chocolate donations for Christmas Fayre)
Sunday 16	10am	Catholic Education Sunday – it would be lovely to see many of our families there!
		This is also a Mass dedicated to our primary 7 pupils who are participating in 'You Shall Be My Witness' programme
Monday 17		Catholic Education Fortnight begins
		Book Week Scotland – Theme 'Scotland's Stories'
Tuesday 18	10am	P4-7 attending Silverburn Cinema (Miss McNamara organising for Film Week) – details will be provided nearer the time
Wednesday 19		Celine from NYCOS here to teach music to primary 1-3
Sunday 23	10am	Primary 7 pupils and families attending St. Peter's Church as part of preparation for Confirmation 'You Shall Be My Witness Programme'
Monday 24		Maths Week – Theme is 'Wild Maths – Looking at Maths in the Natural World'
		Various activities will be organised in classes throughout the week
Tuesday 25		P1-3 attending Silverburn Cinema (Miss McNamara organising for Film Week) – details will be provided nearer the time
	12.30-2pm	Renfrewshire Council Parent Ambassadors Meeting
Wednesday 26		Celine from NYCOS here to teach music to primary 1-3
		Christmas Fayre taking place this day (Miss Young and Mrs Duckett are organising this and will provide more details very soon)
Thursday 27	2-2.45pm	ELCC Bookbug children and families in school library
Friday 28		Non-uniform Day – Wear Something Scottish to celebrate St. Andrew's Day (£1 donation per child/£2 donation per family for school funds)

Sunday 30                      2-5pm                      P4-7 children invited to attend St. James' Church, Paisley for  
Primary School Day – Advent

## **December**

Monday 1                      ST. ANDREW'S DAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday 2                      9am                      Pupils and staff return today

Christmas Concert – dates for parents/carers to attend are as follows:

Tuesday 9                      1.30pm

Wednesday 10                      1.30pm

Thursday 11                      1.30pm

### **October update 2025 Newsletter – feedback**

Please provide any comments, ideas and/or suggestions for improvements below and return to the school for the attention of Mrs Mazzoni.

## **Our School Vision**

Our vision is to provide a safe, happy, caring, supportive and stimulating environment where everyone is welcome and no one feels alone. We work, learn and achieve together. We respect and care for everyone and everything around us. St. Peter's Primary is a school that sets high standards of learning and celebrates the achievements of each individual. We live our lives focused on remaining faithful to the teachings of the Gospel.

## Our Values

Respect

Responsibility

Kindness

Fairness

Honesty

## Our School Motto

'Choose joy, kindness and love every day and remember that God is always with you.'

