



**St. Peter's Primary School and ELCC Class  
Parental Newsletter - February/March 2026**



**Dear Parents/Carers,**

I hope you all had a lovely, long weekend last week while enjoying some precious family time. It was lovely to see a little snow and I hope our children enjoyed this! The second half of this term is now underway and this will lead us into Spring. Time is definitely flying by very quickly. As we begin this new part of the term, staff in our school are working extremely hard to plan many engaging learning experiences for our children. I am sure you will hear all about these at home – please remember to ask your children what they have been learning about in school and help them reinforce and develop their skills and knowledge when completing their homework. You should be able to see lots of updates on your child's day by accessing our class dojo app. Please ensure you have signed up for this so you do not want to miss out on all the fun as well as the many important updates regarding various aspects of school life.

**Staffing Update**

New staff

Our new Early Learning and Childcare Officers have now started in St. Peter's Nursery Class. I would like to offer a warm welcome to Kasia Wilson and Jocelyn Robertson who will now work with us every Thursday and Friday to support many children in the early years of their education. Both Kasia and Jocelyn are delighted to join us and are very much part of the team already.

Fond Farewell

Sadly, Maryam Jamil has secured a new post within a different service working with children who have additional support needs and supporting their families. This is a job that is absolutely perfect for Maryam and I am delighted for her that she was successful in her application for the post. Nevertheless, I am very sad that we will be losing Maryam from St. Peter's ELCC Class. Maryam has been a wonderful addition to our team since October 2020. Her warm and caring nature has enabled her to support so many children and families throughout her time working here. Maryam will be sorely missed from the team. However, I am sure you will all join with me in wishing her all the very best for her future in her new and exciting role.

Students

We are currently welcoming many students to our school and ELCC class and they are thriving while learning from our very skilled and experienced members of staff. You may hear your children talk about adults who are working in the school and they may be referring to our current students. They have all reported that they are thoroughly enjoying their time at St. Peter's and learning lots while supporting and delivering many learning opportunities for our children. It is lovely to have them join us and I am sure we will have many more join us as the year progresses.

## Volunteers

We are very keen to welcome parents/carers to our school and ELCC Class as volunteers who can assist with many aspects of school life such as supporting the learning and teaching process, especially with areas such as reading, writing and numeracy. The experiences of our children could also be enhanced by family members who may have knowledge or particular skills in areas of sport or other leisure activities. This could involve helping out in our school playground or supporting the delivery of extracurricular clubs either during the school day, e.g. lunchtimes, or after school hours, e.g. 3-4pm. Please let me know if this is something you would be keen to become involved in. We would be so delighted to have you on board.

We have many clubs that children are keen to establish. These include a gardening club, board games club as well as many other ideas our children have shared. You may have a particular interest in some of these areas (you do not have to be an expert!) – we would be very appreciative of any help you can offer!



St. Peter's Church, 154 Braehead Rd, Paisley PA2 8NG

## **Religious Life of our School**

Our Catholic ethos is something we are very proud of at St. Peter's Primary and we thank all parents/carers who are supporting their children at home with the various activities involved in teaching children about their faith. We also welcome knowledge about other faiths and world religions. We are teaching our children to show respect for these throughout the school year. I am sure you are also doing the same at home. This helps our children demonstrate our school value of 'respect' and how they can show the importance of displaying this in their daily lives.

Thank you to all parents/carers who accompany the children to First Friday Mass when we visit St. Peter's Church. Please note that you are all welcome to attend our Masses in school when Fr Thomas comes to celebrate with us in our school hall. You will be so impressed with the reverence shown by our children as well as the beautiful singing which will warm your heart. Everyone is invited along to celebrate Mass with us on these occasions.

## Sacramental Preparation

Our children in primary 4 are continuing to prepare for the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion and you will be aware of the many activities they are engaging in by completing the various aspects of this work at home. These tasks provide lovely opportunities for you to reflect with your child at home about how you chose to celebrate their life within the Catholic Church when they were babies and in their early years. I hope you are enjoying preparing with your child for such important occasions in their lives.

Many of our senior pupils in primary 7 are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. A very important part of their preparation is to welcome Bishop John to our school and to their class. He will be visiting us on Monday 20 April at 11am. During the visit, Bishop John will speak to the children about the gifts and the fruits of the Holy Spirit while talking to them about their chosen Saint and the reasons why they chose this particular Saint. It is always a very exciting time for the children and they thoroughly enjoy learning about all of the special items Bishop John wears at various times during the year. In preparation, children should research the names of each item of clothing he wears and any special items he may carry with him. He will be overwhelmed if they can answer these questions. I look forward to seeing the enjoyment on our children's faces during this visit and observing how reverent they will be on such an honourable occasion.

Below is a list of the important dates of Masses and celebrations which will contribute to the spiritual development of the children. Please take note of these and remember to attend with your children. Sponsors, other family members and friends being present make these occasions even more memorable for our primary 7 VIPs.

Sunday 8/3/2026	P4 Do This is in Memory of Me	Church at 10am
Sunday 15/3/2026	P4 Do This is in Memory of Me	Church at 10am
Tuesday 17/3/2026	P4 First Confession	Church at 11am
Wednesday 18/3/2026	P4 First Confession	Church at 11am
Sunday 22/3/2026	P4 Do This is in Memory of Me	Church at 10am

Thank you, as always, to Mrs McLean (DHT) who coordinates these occasions so well and keeps everyone informed of key dates. I would also like to thank Fr Thomas and Mrs Pat Hallan (Community Parish Link Member) who visit our school when they can to help develop the important partnership between school, home and parish, ensuring our children are well placed to continue on their faith journey.

We continue to celebrate this special Jubilee Year and the theme - 'Pilgrims of Hope'. We are always encouraging our children to pray every day. One of the important prayers they have learned is the Jubilee Prayer. Please remember to help develop your child's faith by saying this prayer each night with them.



Dear Jesus,  
 Thank you for loving me so much. Help me to remember that you are always with me and that your love for me will never end.

In this Jubilee Year, help me to be a Pilgrim of Hope to others, sharing your love and hope with my family, friends and everyone that I meet. I pray that I will be ready to follow your example of helping others by showing love, kindness and fairness to all and caring for the precious gift of our common home.

Fill my heart with your joy and peace and keep me close to you always.

Amen



**Attainment and Achievement**

Thank you to everyone who has shared good news about your child's achievements out of school. Please continue to do this so we can include them in our 'Magical Moments' presentation at assembly. We also like to ensure our children are celebrated throughout the year by putting their pictures with a brief explanation of their accomplishment on our Achievement Tree in our school reception area.

I will continue to attach the proforma which you can complete if you wish to keep us informed of any achievement you would like to share for your child. I know some children can be a little shy and may not yet have developed the confidence to share this news themselves. Your help with this is greatly appreciated.



## Renfrewshire Council Inspired Art Competition

A huge well done to the following children who were winners in this art competition. We are all very proud of you! You are such great ambassadors for our school.

1. Christopher Lynch (p4)
2. Patrick Campbell (P4)
3. Zuzanna Wesolowska: Self portrait (p6 Age 10)
4. David Igboachu: Self portrait (p6 Age 10)



## My World of Work – Skills Development

At St Peter's Primary school, we are developing our students' Meta Skills — the essential life skills that help children thrive in learning, work and relationships. These skills go beyond academic knowledge and focus on abilities such as communication, collaboration, creativity, critical thinking, resilience and self-management.

Meta Skills help children understand how they learn, not just what they learn. They support pupils to become confident problem-solvers, reflective thinkers and adaptable learners who can respond positively to challenges. In school, we are embedding Meta Skills into everyday lessons and activities. Teachers highlight and model these skills during learning, give students opportunities to practise them through group work and problem-solving tasks, and encourage reflection so children can recognise their own growth. By developing Meta Skills alongside subject knowledge, we are preparing our learners for success both in school and beyond.

As always, we appreciate the support from parents/carers and families. If anyone would like to come and share their career and experience with the children, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me directly if this is something you are keen to do.

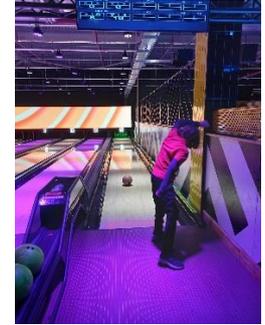
## Primary 7 Residential Outing

Many of our primary 7 pupils attended their residential outing to Inverclyde Sports Academy in Largs. This was an extremely successful event with so many of our children showing excellent skills and sportsmanship as well as exemplary behaviour. They participated in activities such as orienteering, den building, gymnastics, lacrosse, shinty among many other sports. Their manners were something to be proud of during their stay, especially at meal times where they enjoyed the lovely meals on offer. Their days were so busy that they almost fell into bed and slept very well through the night. Staff at the centre commented on how well behaved our children were and how happy they would be to welcome St. Peter's Primary back anytime. Well done to our wonderful primary 7 children for a fantastic residential excursion – they were a credit to their families indeed! The trip was also enjoyed immensely by the staff members who attended and this speaks volumes!



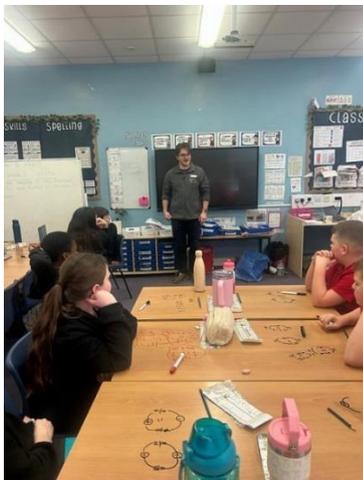


Children who did not attend Largs also had a few enjoyable days at school where they helped support the learning and teaching process in other areas of our school, sharing their skills and knowledge with younger pupils while also completing their own learning experiences. They were treated to a day out with food and a game of bowling where I believe they were very competitive. I understand they too were responsible citizens while in the community.



### Clyde In The Classroom

Primary 6/7 have been working with Toby, a scientist from the Clyde River Foundation, to learn about Brown Trout. They began the project with a visit to the Glasgow Science Centre, where they learned about the project and the species being cared for, as well as exploring the Science Mall and having lots of fun. The following week, Toby brought 200 fish eggs which the children are taking care of and watching grow. They have been learning all about this native fish species, the importance of caring for wildlife and what we can do to ensure this species continues to thrive in Scotland. The fish will be released into a burn at the Gleniffer Braes in early March. This has been a fantastic project with lots of opportunities for the children to showcase their learning and leadership skills. This has created a buzz in the school as classes come to visit our little fishy friends.





## Literacy and Technology

### Coming soon!

Primary 5 & 6 are beginning an exciting new project venturing into the world of podcasting! The children will work together with other cluster schools to visit a local podcasting studio with a view to planning our own school podcast. Our podcast will showcase learning across the school, as well as interviews from our pupil leadership groups, dates for the diary and fun school events.

Watch out for more information coming soon on dojo, where we will reveal the name and logo of our school podcast!

### Writing

Throughout January, all classes at St Peter's have been taking part in a whole-school Scottish instructional writing project. Each class explored a model text of a shortbread recipe and enjoyed tasting shortbread as part of their learning. Classes then created a different Scottish recipe, and every child has written their own set of instructions for this. One recipe from each class will be chosen to feature in our St Peter's Recipe Book. Alongside this, pupils have also been producing Scottish-themed artwork linked to the project.

**We warmly invite families to our Art Gallery on Friday 27th February, 3–4pm**, where you will be able to view your child's artwork and purchase their framed piece, their recipe card, and pre-order a copy of our whole-school recipe book.



## World Book Day

World Book Day will take place on Thursday 5th March. As part of our World Book Day celebrations, we are going to be taking part in a whole-school solo talk linked to this year's theme of '**Reading for Pleasure**'. The focus for all classes will be: "**A Character I Love and Why They Make Reading a Pleasure.**" Every stage (Early, First and Second Level) will be preparing a short solo talk using the planning framework that will be shared. The aim is for pupils to talk about a character they love and explain why that character makes reading enjoyable for them. This will be set as a homework task over the next two weeks so pupils can have time to plan, write and practise their talk at home, supported by family members. Talks can then be presented in class during the week of World Book Day. Children can also make posters if this will be a helpful tool for their presentation. This is a great opportunity to promote reading for pleasure while also developing confidence in talking and listening skills across the school. We will also be planning a whole school approach using the story "The Three Little Pigs" while linking many aspects of the story to STEM (Science, Technology, engineering and Maths) and UNCRC (United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child). All classes will be taking part in this. Each class will enjoy a visit to the library for this term so all children will enjoy the experience of visiting our local library. All parent/carer helpers welcome!

## **Numeracy – Family Learning Programme**

This session, our school has been working in partnership with the National Numeracy Schools and Families Programme. As part of this initiative, pupils in Primary 4 and Primary 7 have been using their Family Scrapbooks to support learning at home. The scrapbooks include a variety of engaging maths challenges designed to encourage children and their families to work together to explore and solve different maths topics. So far, it has been a great way to build confidence, develop problem-solving skills and promote positive attitudes towards numeracy at home. I hope you are enjoying sharing these activities with your children. Thank you to everyone who came along to our 'How to help your child love maths' event which on 28<sup>th</sup> January. This allowed our children to develop their maths skills while playing games with their families. We received positive feedback and, as a result, we will hold similar events in the future.

## **Targeted Intervention to Support Pupils' Learning**

Mrs Joyce Thomson and Mrs Grace Everett have been providing lots of support for children in primary 1, 4 and 7 throughout the school year so far and will continue to do so until June 2026. This is funded by Renfrewshire Council in order to support many children who have been identified as requiring help to achieve their learning goals. They carry out various ongoing assessments and plan learning accordingly. As a result, many of our children have made significant progress in various aspects of Literacy and Numeracy. This has proven to be a very successful programme of intervention and many of our children are benefiting from this. I would like to thank Mrs Thomson and Mrs Everett for their ongoing dedication and commitment to ensuring they provide such engaging and motivating experiences for our pupils who need a little extra input to help them attain and achieve. Mrs Maclean has led various Team Around the Child meetings throughout the year to keep you updated. Additionally, class teachers will be able to tell you about the progress your child is making next month when you visit the school for an update on your child's progress. Mrs Hazel Cannon, who has recently joined our staff team, is beginning to carry out similar activities with children in primary 5 and 6. This will soon be extended to primary 2 and 3 in the very near future.

## **School Review – Renfrewshire Council Authority Inspection**

Our school and ELCC class will be visited by a team of education managers from Renfrewshire Council on Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 March 2026. They will meet all our children and hear about the wonderful teaching and learning experiences that take place. They will also visit classes to observe practice and meet focus groups of children and staff. We are very much looking forward to showcasing the highlights of St. Peter's Primary School and ELCC class. All pupils in primary 4-7 have completed a survey, sharing their thoughts and feelings about life at St. Peter's Primary School, and the results have been sent directly to the review team. Our colleagues and partners who work closely with us for the benefit of our children have also been asked to complete evaluations of how well we work together.

All parents/carers should have received a link to a survey to ensure your views are also heard and these will be taken into account when the team visit our school. This was sent out to everyone approximately two weeks ago. Please ensure you have taken the opportunity to complete this. The survey should be completed by 23 February. Thank you so much to those of you who have managed to fill in the survey already. I will include the link below as a second opportunity for anyone who has yet to complete this.

<https://forms.office.com/r/EbsT3q0P6j>

A report will be provided shortly after the visit which will be shared with you as soon as possible.

## **Parents' Evening**

These will take place on Wednesday 18 March between 5pm and 8 pm and Thursday 19 March between 3pm and 6pm. You should receive a letter asking you to select your preferred date and a letter will follow shortly after containing your child's appointment time. I hope you are looking forward to hearing all about your child's successes and achievements as well as learning about areas in which they can focus on in order to further develop their skills in all areas of the curriculum. I look forward to seeing you all soon.

## Parent Council

As always, I would like to offer a massive thank you to everyone involved in the work of our Parent Council. It is lovely to see those who are able to attend each month. I understand that it is not always possible for parents/carers to attend each month but you can continue to make contributions by offering suggestions respectfully via the parent facebook page or offering to support events. I am aware that our Parent Council members have worked extremely hard to put measures in place, ensuring our parents who are helpers have a PVG check carried out meaning you can attend events to help supervise children. If you would like to be included in this, please let our Parent Council Chairperson, Paul Doherty, know and I am sure something can be arranged to include you in the list of those with a PVG.

Paul Doherty continues to give very generously of his time and has done so for many years to support the work of this group. He, and others who regularly attend meetings, are always delighted when new people come along and join in the fun – the more the merrier! You can contact Paul directly using the following email address:

[pauldoherty15@hotmail.com](mailto:pauldoherty15@hotmail.com)

Every parent is welcome to attend all parent council meetings. The next one is scheduled for Wednesday 25 February at 5.30pm in St. Peter's Primary School staff room. Please come along and support the work of this fantastic group of people!



## Pupil Equity Fund (PEF)

Each year, the Scottish Government provides each school with an amount of money to help us support many children in our school. The aim to help us to provide resources by using the money to pay for staff or buy items which enhance the curriculum for those who require additional, targeted support. In past years, we have used this money to pay for additional ASNA (Additional Support Needs Assistant) hours and for a member of staff who has carried out the role of Inclusion Support Assistant. The specified amount for the past four years has been £33,858. We have used much of this to pay for the salaries of the roles mentioned. For the past two years, we have used the majority of this money to pay for additional teacher support for many pupils and have purchased resources which have enhanced the curriculum within Reading and Writing such as novels and other reading/writing materials.



## Looking Ahead at Getting the Most from our Pupil Equity Fund

Should we be provided with a similar amount for school session 2026/2027, I would be really keen to hear your views on how this should be spent to help individuals who require support to reach their learning goals. This can be in the form of temporarily employing staff such as continuing to have an Inclusion Support Assistant, additional teacher support and/or additional support staff. We could also use the funding to buy resources which can motivate and engage our learners. Please let us know how you would like this funding to be used in order to maximise the learning opportunities of our pupils, in particular, those who are in need of targeted support. You can do this by completing the tear off slip contained within this newsletter. The views of everyone are very important and I really need everyone to have their say so please complete this and return to me as soon as possible. Thank you!



### **Sporting Achievements**

A massive thank you and a big well done to all children who are taking part in Renfrewshire's Girls and Boys Football Tournaments. Our children are doing so well to show our school values while representing St. Peter's Primary – they are great ambassadors for us and a credit to their families. A huge thank you to Mr Christopher Allison who came along to help out at the girls' tournament. He was an amazing help in organising and coaching the girls. We are really hoping we can have more help at the next tournament. Please let the school office know if you are free and able to come along and help support too. Many hands make light work!



### **Renfrewshire Council Cross Country Event**

Lots of our primary 6 and 7 pupils took part in Renfrewshire Council's Cross Country event at KG5 playing field in Renfrew. This is an annual event and the children had such an exciting time. The joy was beaming from their faces as they returned to tell us all about it – as well as the mud and the rosy cheeks with tired little legs! They did us all proud with their excellent behaviour and impeccable manners. Well done, everyone, we are very proud of you all! Thank you to Mrs MacLean, PT, who organises this event each year. I would also like to thank Miss Faulds (ASNA) and our parent helpers who accompanied on the day. Without your support, attending this event would not be possible.





### Beat Buddies

Primary 3/4 and Primary 4 have been delighted to welcome Mr Barclay from Beat Buddies who comes to deliver music lessons. During his visits, pupils have explored a variety of percussion instruments while developing their understanding of rhythm and beat. They have enjoyed learning and performing rhythmic patterns inspired by music from around the world – from lively samba beats to exploring tempo and timing. These engaging, hands-on sessions have helped build confidence, listening skills and teamwork. We look forward to hearing more fantastic rhythms as the term continues!

The children are thoroughly enjoying each session, as you can see, and developing their musical talents at the same time. We are looking forward to an entertaining performance very soon!



## **Activity Clubs – Lunchtime and After School Hours**

We are very lucky to have many Active Schools clubs on offer each term. Mrs Maclean (Principal Teacher) works closely with Victoria Collins, our Active Schools Coordinator, to create a programme which is inclusive and covers many aspects of sport to allow our children to experience a variety of ways to keep healthy and active. Mrs Maclean will continue to keep you informed regarding all clubs available. Please keep a close eye on communication via class dojo for updates.

## **Primary 6 Swimming Sessions**

Primary 6 will participate in swimming lessons at Paisley Lagoon on Wednesday 29 April and Wednesday 6 May. Please look out on class dojo for practical details. Please also let your child's class teacher know if you are able to accompany the children as an adult helper. We always appreciate your support, especially with these type of activities.

## **Water Bottles**

We all know it is important for our children to remain hydrated throughout the school day to help them focus and achieve their best in and out of class. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school with their name clearly marked on it (using a permanent marker). Children have access to water while at school and can fill their water bottles up during their break times using our water coolers which are regularly serviced by Renfrewshire Council for hygiene purposes. It is not ECO friendly for our children to be using disposable cups so I would urge you to please remind your child to bring their water bottle to school daily.

## **School Clothing**

We continue to have many items of lost property in our school reception area. Please feel free to come in and have a look. You may find something you have been looking for hidden underneath a huge pile of jumpers, jackets, cardigans, etc.

## **School Meals**

Renfrewshire Council has welcomed a new Menu and Nutrition Officer, Ángela San Pedro. Angela has created a short survey to gather feedback on the current menu. The survey is for pupils who attend our school and Angela would be very grateful if you could use the link to help your child complete this. Angela is keen that the feedback comes from the pupils themselves. Please support your child to complete the survey before 28 March 2026.

Please follow the link below:

[2026 Anonymous School Meal Survey – Fill in form](#)

## **Reminder - Reporting Pupil Absence**

As always, please inform us of any pupil absence as early as possible each day, preferably within the first half hour between 9.00am and 9.30am. Failure to do so may result in a home visit carried out by a member of our leadership team. Please be aware that pupil safety is of the highest priority and this is the reason we must hear from you as early as possible.

## **Safe Parking Reminder**

I would like to remind all parents/carers that the car park is for staff only and must not be accessed by parents/carers unless there is a prior arrangement or agreement in place. This is to ensure the safety of all. Our children would also like to remind all adults who are dropping children off at school and collecting them at the end of the day to adhere to the rules of the road and refrain from parking on the zig zag lines. We have had children hurt in the past and we have also had some 'near misses' so please be considerate when parking. Thank you so much, in advance, for your cooperation.

## Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club begins each day at 8.30am. Please ensure that your child is accompanied to the school reception area when attending and also note that, unfortunately, we do not have supervision available **prior to 8.30am**. This means you are unable to drop your child off before this time. Thank you so much for your understanding and cooperation.

## Health and Safety



Please remember we are a **NUT FREE ZONE** and under no circumstances can we have any type of nut within our school premises or any products that contain nuts such as Nutella or chocolate that has nuts embedded within. We have children and staff who have severe allergies and it would be extremely detrimental to their health if someone was to bring nuts into our school building or playground. Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation! This is greatly appreciated.

As mentioned before, it is important for children to drink water and it is recommended that children bring a water bottle to school so they can fill this up throughout the day. Please do not send your child to school with cans or bottles of fizzy juice. Water is so much better for them and enables them to concentrate more on their learning.

## School Website

I am delighted with the new updates already provided, thanks to Miss Young (primary 6/7 teacher) who is currently carrying out the task to revitalise our school website. Please let us know if you have any suggestions that can help us ensure that the information contained on our website is relevant to what parents/carers want to see. Your views are always valuable to us.



## 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. While we enjoy welcoming parents/carers to the school, we ask that you continue to contact us by telephone or email in the first instance. Our appointment system is the most advisable option to ensure you are able to speak with someone. Turning up without an appointment cannot always guarantee speaking to a member of the senior leadership team. Your cooperation with this would be greatly appreciated.

Mrs Mazzoni [Sharon.mazzoni@renfrewshire.school](mailto:Sharon.mazzoni@renfrewshire.school) - this is the email which is checked daily and the most preferred method of contact.

[gw07mazzonisharon@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw07mazzonisharon@glow.sch.uk)

Mrs McLean [gw15mcleancatherinem@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw15mcleancatherinem@glow.sch.uk)

[Catherine.mclean2@renfrewshire.school](mailto:Catherine.mclean2@renfrewshire.school) (if your enquiry is more urgent)

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Website <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/stpeters/>

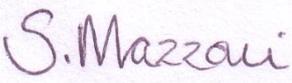
Class Dojo <https://www.classdojo.com/en-gb/?redirect=true>

Please sign up for your child's class dojo account if you haven't already done so. Your child's class teacher will have provided details of how to do this. You should find this a fantastic method of being able to share in your child's learning and achievements as well as this being a very effective way of communicating with your child's teacher via a messaging system. I would ask that you make contact during the working day (between 8.30am and 4.30pm). Any messages sent to class teachers in the evening will not be answered until the following day.

**Thank  
You**

Finally, I would like to thank everyone in our school community for working so well together to support the children who attend our school and ELCC class. I am very grateful to all parents/carers who work in such positive partnership with us and trust us to deal with any matter that you bring to our attention. Please be assured that we are always happy to hear from you and welcome your views in order to create the best possible learning environment for our children and families. Please continue to keep us informed of important updates regarding your children. We appreciate all communication with you and we hope you know how valued you are as members of our school community.

Best wishes,



Sharon Mazzoni  
Head Teacher



### **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 School Values**

Respect

Fairness

Responsibility

Honesty

Kindness

**Pupil Equity Fund – Parental Views**

Should we be provided with a similar amount to previous years (£33,858), how would you like this funding to be used to enhance the needs of learners requiring targeted support and intervention?

Please circle (you may wish to select more than one option):

**Additional Teacher Support**

Comment

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**Additional Support Staff**

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**Continuation of Inclusion Support Assistant**

Comment

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Please complete and return to Sharon Mazzoni, Head Teacher.

**February/March - General Comment Feedback**

Please provide any general comments, ideas and/or suggestions for improvements below and return to the school for the attention of Mrs Mazzoni. Your views are very important to us and help us to continuously improve the life and work of St. Peter's Primary School and ELCC Class

## Our School Motto



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



### Dates for your Diary

All of our significant events are communicated via class dojo so you should never miss an opportunity. Below is a list of those dates to ensure you are aware of all what is happening in our school community.

### February

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| Tuesday 24   | Friendly football match at Seedhill with our boys' football team. Parents/carers to drop off and pick up. Information issued by Mrs Maclean, Principal Teacher   |
| Wednesday 25 | 'Missio' Bishop's Charity Fundraiser led by P7 - can wear own clothes. Children who volunteered to do the wet sponge stall to bring towels, suitable shoes and a change of clothes as they will probably get wet!<br><br><b>Parent Council Meeting in St. Peter's School staff room at 5.30pm<br/>Please come along – everyone is invited!</b>         |
| Thursday 26  | Parents' Evening slips to be returned to teachers today indicating preferred choice of date<br><br>Young Leaders of Learning group visiting Todholm Primary with Mrs Grace Everett and Mrs Caitlin Maclean (shirt and ties to be worn please)<br><br>ELCC Bookbug session in 'Strive to Thrive' room led by Lorna for ELCC children and their families |
| Friday 27    | NON-UNIFORM DAY (£1 per child, £2 per family donation for school funds)<br><br><b>3pm – Art Exhibition in school hall for all families – please come along and support this fantastic event where you can view and purchase your child's fabulous work!</b>  |

## OFFICIAL

### March

Sunday 1	2-5pm	Primary School Day – Lent - in St. James' Church, Paisley for all p4-7 pupils
Monday 2		Fairtrade Fortnight begins today  Parents' Evening appointments to be distributed to all parents/carers today
Wednesday 4	10am-12pm	Boys' Football Tournament at Feguslie Sports Centre (Mrs Caitlin Maclean, Principal Teacher, to provide details)
Thursday 5		World Book Day 'Reading for Pleasure'
Friday 6	10am	First Friday Mass in St. Peter's Church (P4/5 to lead)
Sunday 8	10am	'Do This in Memory of Me' Mass for primary 4 children preparing for receiving Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion – children and families to attend
Monday 9		British Science Week: Theme 'Change and Adapt' (link with Laudato Si)
	10am-12pm	Boys' Football tournament at Ferguslie Sports Centre (Mrs Caitlin Maclean, Principal Teacher, to provide details)
	PM	4 pupils and Miss McNamara visiting Bricklane Studios, Paisley (learning about podcasting)
Tuesday 10		AUTHORITY REVIEW TAKING PLACE TODAY  Sponsored Bounce Gravity 6.00pm - 7.00pm - consent forms to be completed via the link on the letter (Primary 7 parents/carers organising)
Wednesday 11		AUTHORITY REVIEW TAKING PLACE TODAY
Sunday 15	10am	'Do This in Memory of Me' Mass for primary 4 children preparing for receiving Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion – children and families to attend
Monday 16	am	STEM Engineer visit for primary 7
Tuesday 17		P7 providing a raffle to raise funds for Leavers' Celebration – to be drawn in a fortnight. Tickets will be available from the school office today. (Primary 7 parents/carers organising)
	11am	Primary 4 First Confession in St. Peter's Church
	6.15-7.15pm	P1-3 St. Peter's school disco organised by parent council – all welcome!
	7.30-8.30pm	P4-7 St. Peter's school disco organised by parent council – all welcome!
Wednesday 18	11am	Primary 4 First Confession in St. Peter's Church
	5-8pm	St. Peter's Parents' Evening by appointment  Young Leaders of Learning group, Mrs Everett and Mrs MacLean visiting Todholm Primary (shirts and ties to be worn please)

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Thursday 19	3-6pm	Parents' Evening by appointment
Sunday 22	10am	'Do This in Memory of Me' Mass for primary 4 children preparing for receiving Sacrament of First Holy Communion – all children and families to attend
Monday 23	1-3pm 3.15-4pm	Heartstart in school hall (Mrs Maclean, Principal Teacher, to provide details Parent session provided for all parents/carers to learn about Heartstart (family workshop in St. Peter's school hall)
	7pm	Paul Doherty (Parent Council Chairperson) attending Diocesan Meeting of Parent Council Chairs in St. Mirin Cathedral Hall
Wednesday 25		Feast of the Annunciation
Thursday 26	10am-12pm	Activity Day at Renfrew Sports Centre – small group of pupils will attend to represent St. Peter's Primary School
	2-2.45pm	ELCC Bookbug in 'Strive to Thrive' room in St. Peter's Primary School for ELCC children and families – Lorna (Senior ELCO to lead)
Friday 27		NON-UNIFORM DAY (£1 per child, £2 per family – donation for school funds)
Tuesday 31		Primary 7 Leavers' Celebration Fundraiser – NON-UNIFORM DAY (£1 Per child, £2 per family. This will also be an activity day with the raffle being drawn (Primary 7 parents organising)

### April

Tuesday 2	10am	Stations of the Cross Prayer Service in school hall – everyone is invited!
	<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>School closes for Spring Break</b>
		<b>Schools will be closed for the Spring break from 3 April until 19 April 2026</b>
<b>Friday 3</b>		<b>HOLIDAY – GOOD FRIDAY</b>
<b>Sunday 5</b>		<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>



Monday 20	9am	All staff and pupils return today
	11am	Bishop John visiting Confirmandi in primary 7 today (shirts and ties to be Worn please)
Wednesday 22	7.30pm	Renfrewshire Schools Young Musician of the Year Award Ceremony 2026

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Thursday 23		Primary 5-7 Bike Checks in p7 playground (for all who are taking part)
	2-2.45pm	ELCC Bookbug in 'Strive to Thrive' room in St. Peter's Primary School for ELCC children and families – Lorna (Senior ELCO to lead)
Tuesday 28		Cycling begins for all P7 taking part. Bring bikes, helmets and suitable rain jacket.
Wednesday 29		33 Day Diocesan Consecration to Jesus through Mary begins (ends on Monday 2 June) – primary 7 pupils to participate in school based activities planned and facilitated by class teachers)
		Primary 6 attending swimming sessions at Paisley Lagoon (Class teachers will provide details nearer the time)
	10am-12pm	Boys' Football Tournament at Ferguslie Sports Centre (Mrs Maclean, Principal Teacher organising)
Thursday 30		Young Leaders of Learning – group of pupils and teacher from Todholm Primary visiting St. Peter's today (Mrs Everett and Mrs Maclean organising)
<b>May</b>		
Friday 1		NON-UNIFORM DAY (£1 per child, £2 per family – donation for school funds)
	10am	First Friday Mass in St. Peter's Church (P5/6 to lead)
	10am-12pm	Girls' Football tournament final at Ferguslie Sports Centre - Mrs McAllister, Lucy Richards (volunteer), parent and 16 children attending (Mrs Maclean, Principal Teacher, organising)
Monday 4		HOLIDAY
Tuesday 5		ACN Rosary for Peace – school based activities for p1-7
		Cycling lesson 2 for all primary 7 children taking part (bring bikes, helmets and a suitable rain jacket)
Wednesday 6		Primary 6 attending swimming sessions at Paisley Lagoon (class teacher to provide details nearer the time)
	1.30pm	Exchange Transition Visit for primary 7 (class teacher to provide details nearer the time)
Thursday 7		IN-SERVICE DAY 5 (teachers only attend today – holiday for pupils)
	6.30pm	Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Mirin's Cathedral for primary 7 pupils and families. We will join St. Catherine's, St. Fergus', St. James' (Paisley) and St. John Ogilive. Smart uniform, shirt and tie please. Teachers, children and their sponsors should arrive at 6pm and meet in the Cathedral hall (round the back of Cathedral). Families to take seats in the Cathedral once children have been taken to the hall. Procession into the Cathedral begins around 6.10pm. A group photo will be taken of our children on the altar after the Mass has ended.
Saturday 10	10am	Primary 4 First Holy Communion in St. Peter's Church

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Tuesday 12		Cycling lesson 3 for all Primary 7 taking part – children should bring bikes, helmets and a suitable rain jacket.
Wednesday 13		Mental Health Week
Thursday 14	10am	Whole school attending Mass in St. Peter's Church (p6/7 to lead)
Tuesday 19		Primary 7 transition visit to St. Andrew's Academy Smart uniform to be worn, shirt and tie please. Phones will be left at Saint Peter's in the morning. Bus to leave Saint Peter's around 9.15am. Children will be collected and brought back to Saint Peter's around 2.20pm.
Wednesday 20		Primary 7 transition visit to St. Andrew's Academy Smart uniform to be worn, shirt and tie please. Phones will be left at Saint Peter's in the morning. Bus to leave Saint Peter's around 9.15am. Children will be collected and brought back to Saint Peter's around 2.20pm.
Thursday 21	10am-12pm	Renfrewshire Council Activity Day at Renfrew Sports Centre – small group of pupils will attend to represent St. Peter's Primary School (Mrs Maclean, Principal Teacher, will provide further details nearer the time)
Sunday 24	2-5pm	Primary School Day – Pentecost in St. James' Church, Paisley for all p4-7 pupils Please encourage your child to attend this fun event where they can meet other children from the Paisley Diocese
Monday 25		HOLIDAY
Tuesday 26	9am	All pupils and staff return today  Cycling lesson 4 for all primary 7 pupils taking part. Pupils should bring bike, helmet and suitable rain jacket.
Wednesday 27	3.30-4.30pm	'Meet the Pupil Support Teacher' drop-in session at St. Andrew's Academy for Primary 7 parents/carers (ASN focus)
Thursday 28	2-2.45pm	ELCC Bookbug in 'Strive to Thrive' room in St. Peter's Primary School for ELCC children and families – Lorna (Senior ELCO to lead)

## June

Tuesday 2		Cycling lesson 5 for all primary 7 pupils taking part. Pupils should bring bike, helmet and a suitable rain jacket.  P7 vs Teachers/Family match in the school playground – Mrs Maclean, Principal Teacher, will provide details nearer the time. Please consider taking part in this fun activity which is always very popular with our pupils!
Friday 5	10am	Mass of Thanksgiving for pupils who received Sacraments this session in St. Peter's Church (primary 4 to lead)
Monday 8	am	Young Leaders of Learning group attending Renfrewshire Council celebration event (Mrs Everett to accompany)
Tuesday 9		Primary 7 Active Schools Outdoor Day – appropriate gym clothes to be worn as activities will take place outdoors (class teachers will provide further details nearer the time)

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Thursday 11	11am	On-road cycling – Primary 7 with Victoria Collins (Active Schools Coordinator) and Mrs Maclean, Principal Teacher. This is only for children who complete the playground safety checks and assessments.
	7.15-9.15pm	Primary 7 Leavers' Celebration at Blackland Mill Bowling Club (organised by primary 7 parents/carers)
Friday 12		Annual Pupil Progress Reports to be distributed to all parents/carers today ELCC profiles to be shared with parents/carers by today Classification letters to be distributed to parents/carers today
Wednesday 17	9.20-10.20am	Primary 7 Sports Day held within grass area of the playground (all p7s to be included as one group) Further details will be provided nearer the time.
Wednesday 24		Summer Fun Day (Primary 1 – Primary 7) – taking place within St. Peter's grounds
Thursday 25		ELCC Summer Fun Day – taking place within St. Peter's grounds
	3.30-4.30pm	Primary 7 Awards Ceremony (parents/carers and family members invited to this extremely important and emotional event)
Friday 26	10am	Primary 7 Thanksgiving and Leavers' Mass in St. Peter's Church (primary 7 to lead Mass) – all families welcome to join us to celebrate our fantastic primary 7 year group
Monday 29	10am	Whole school to attend Mass - Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul (all invited)
	pm	Primary 7 shirt signing and year book signing in school hall
<b>Tuesday 30</b>	<b>1pm</b>	<b>School closes for the Summer Holiday</b>



### August

Friday 14		Teachers return – IN-SERVICE DAY 1
Monday 17		IN-SERVICE DAY 2
<b>Tuesday 18</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Primary 2-Primary 7 pupils return to school for the new academic session</b>
	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Our new primary 1 pupils begin and will finish at 2.30pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 19</b>		<b>All pupils (primary 1 – primary 7) will attend from 9am until 3pm from today</b>



