



Fourteenth Sunday of the Year: The Sending of the Disciples


Jesus sent the disciples out in pairs to share His message of peace and love.

3 July, 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,



There is a lot of information in this week's newsletter, as we are nearing the end of our academic year, and there are many exciting events planned!

Please do read through to the end.

<u>Review of our Mission Statement</u>	<p>Just as Jesus sent the disciples on a mission, we live out a mission each day in school, and this is driven by our mission statement:</p> <p>St. Peter's Catholic Primary School is at the heart of a Christ-centred community where every person's uniqueness is celebrated with joy and truly valued.</p> <p>We foster caring, supportive relationships based on mutual respect and love.</p> <p>We embrace the different communities to which we all belong – home, school and parish, as well as our local, national and global families.</p> <p>When we welcome the child, we welcome the family.</p> <p>We strive for excellence in all we do; to be the best that we can be.</p> <p>At 2.30pm tomorrow (4 July) in the cabin, Mrs Sibson will be leading a review of our mission statement with families, governors and parishioners. All are welcome – please do spread the word! We would very much like to hear your thoughts and contributions about the mission statement as we carry out this review, but please be assured that you may simply come along and listen if this is what you would prefer. There will be tea and coffee, and I will ask Mrs Sibson to ensure that there are biscuits, too!</p>								
<u>September 2025</u>	<p>Class teachers from September will be as follows:</p> <table><tbody><tr><td>Nursery – Miss Ward</td><td>Year 3 – Miss Cooper</td></tr><tr><td>Reception – Mrs Cooke and Mrs Kirkpatrick</td><td>Year 4 – Mrs Barber</td></tr><tr><td>Year 1 – Mrs Walker</td><td>Year 5 – Mr Hartney</td></tr><tr><td>Year 2 – Miss Duncan</td><td>Year 6 – Mrs Sibson</td></tr></tbody></table>	Nursery – Miss Ward	Year 3 – Miss Cooper	Reception – Mrs Cooke and Mrs Kirkpatrick	Year 4 – Mrs Barber	Year 1 – Mrs Walker	Year 5 – Mr Hartney	Year 2 – Miss Duncan	Year 6 – Mrs Sibson
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<u>Masses</u>	<p>These take place at 9.15am in St. Peter's Church.</p> <p>All parishioners and families are welcome.</p> <p>16 July – Nursery</p> <p>22 July – Whole School Mass for our leavers</p>								
<u>St. Peter's Wraparound Care Club</u> 	<p>We have received a number of requests from families who would like to book places in our breakfast and after-school club on an 'ad-hoc' basis.</p> <p>Families can do this via the Arbor app.</p> <p>We respectfully ask for as much notice as possible for places booked in this way.</p> <p>We will always do our utmost to accommodate last-minute requests for places, but please understand that, if you do not book a regular weekly slot for your child, then there is the risk that the club will be full on the day that you request a place. This is because we must adhere to adult:child ratios when caring for the children.</p>								

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Infant Uniform 	<p>Thank you to the people who voted in our Infant uniform consultation. We received 56 responses. Based on the responses, our governors last week approved the decision to add plain yellow polo shirts to our EYFS and Infant uniform list.</p> <p>Please understand that the yellow polo shirts with the St. Peter's badge are still perfectly acceptable as an item of uniform. There is no need at all to go out and buy plain yellow polo shirts!</p> <p>We know that some children still have these badged shirts and that they fit them well. We also know that some children make use of 'hand me downs' from older family members, and that these yellow shirts will have badges on. The option of a plain yellow polo shirt is simply an additional one that we can now offer to our families.</p>
Mini Vinnies 	<p>Our Mini Vinnies will be selling ice pops for 20p each in the outdoor haven (on the junior playground) at the end of the school day each Wednesday. All proceeds raised will be donated to CAFOD.</p>
Y6 Hoodies	<p>We will give out leavers' hoodies to our Y6 children on Monday, 7 July. Children are welcome to wear these as part of their uniform from Monday, but please bear in mind that they may be a little warm in hot weather!</p>
Own Clothes Day	<p>On Tuesday, 8 July, children may wear their own clothes to school. We ask that, in exchange, they bring a prize for the tombola at the summer fair!</p> <p>If the prize is alcohol, this needs to be brought to the school office by an adult, please, and not brought into school by a child.</p>
RSHE Policy	<p>Our draft policy for Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) may be viewed on our school website at Relationships-and-Sex-Education-Policy-1.pdf</p> <p>We consult with families before this policy is ratified by the governing body.</p> <p>We therefore invite anyone with questions or comments about this policy to Email admin@st-peters.tameside.sch.uk</p>
Cuppa and Chat Event	<p>Families of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities are invited to attend the next 'Cuppa and Chat' Event on Monday, 14 July at 10.00am at Active Copley, Stalybridge.</p> <div data-bbox="598 1220 1173 1422" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px auto; width: fit-content;"> <p>The 'Cuppa and Chat' events are an open forum for parents/carers, Tameside SEND staff, and local area partnership representatives to discuss parents' experiences and concerns regarding SEND services.</p> </div>
Parental Code of Conduct	<p>The parental Code of Conduct for our Trust (Corpus Christi Catholic Academy Trust) has recently been updated. We have uploaded it to our website, and attach a link here for your attention: CCCAT-Parental-Code-of-Conduct-June-2025.pdf</p>
Surveys for St. Peter's Families	<p>Please complete our annual questionnaire for families of children at our school: www.surveymonkey.com/r/FNS7DW8</p> <p>Results of the survey are gathered by Corpus Christi Catholic Academy Trust, and are fed back to us for consideration at our Autumn meeting of the governing body.</p> <p>We have a second survey about the faith life of our school. Please see below.</p> <p><u>Catholic Life and Mission</u> is about the way we serve Jesus in our everyday lives – for example, by welcoming visitors to our school, by praying and fundraising for people who may need our support, or by campaigning for local and global change for all. It also includes links with our parish.</p> <p><u>Religious Education</u> is the curriculum RE we teach in school, which is reported on in annual reports to parents.</p> <p><u>Prayer and Liturgy</u> is the term for all acts of worship: Celebration of the Word, assemblies, whole school and class Masses, traditional prayers, reflections and daily prayers that take place.</p> <p>We welcome and value your views, so please do include areas that you feel we do well, as well as any areas that you feel we could do even better.</p> <p>We would be most grateful if you could complete the questionnaire: Faith Life of Our School</p> <p>Thank you for your continued support.</p>

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<u>Nursery</u>	<p>We do have some spaces in our Nursery class. If you know of families of children who will have their fourth birthday between 1 September 2025 and 31 August 2026, do feel free to advise them of places in our Nursery unit.</p> <p>Our new school prospectus is HERE and can be accessed on our website – please do take a look at this bright, informative publication!</p>	
<u>Pupils in Year 2 moving to Year 3 in September</u> 	<p>Pupils moving up to year 3 will no longer be entitled to the Universal Free School Meals; therefore, any meals taken will need to be paid for, unless families are in receipt of free school meals. If you wish your child to change to a packed lunch, please let our office team know no later than Friday 18th July. Payment for school meals is payable via School Money. Please note that during the first few weeks of the new academic year 'Arbor Money' will be rolled out. This will enable families to pay for school dinners much more easily through the Arbor app.</p> <p>If you feel that you may be entitled to free school meals, please click this link to apply: www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-tameside</p>	
<u>Sports Day 10th July 2025</u>	<p>Children in our Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes will take part in sports on the school field between 9.15am and 11.15am. Junior children will have their sports between 1.15pm and 3.00pm. Please note that these times are approximate!</p> <p>Family members are welcome to attend but we MUST ask, please, that you do not photograph or film any part of sports day due to child protection and safeguarding reasons. Please spectate from the designated areas. It can make some of our children a little bit upset if parents come over to speak to children but then need to leave whilst the children are racing. Of course, we also have children whose family members are working and therefore cannot attend. These children can also get upset if their friends' parents are coming over to say hello, but their own are not able to be here.</p> <p>Please join me in hoping for a dry day! If the weather is wet or if the grass is slippery, school will send a text message before 8.00am on Thursday to inform you of any change of plan.</p>	
<u>Summer Fair</u>	<p>Do come along to our Summer fair from 6.00pm on Friday, 18 July at school.</p> <p>Zoe will be cooking food for everybody's tea, and there will be stalls, games and lots of fun.</p> <p>All money raised will be used to buy laptops and library books.</p> <p>There is a meeting in the Hunters' Tavern on Acres Lane at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 8 July for all family members who are free to support the PTFA by taking charge of a stall on the evening, and by setting up and clearing away.</p> <p>We would very much appreciate new members of our PTFA, as well as all offers of help on the evening of the fair.</p> <p>Do feel welcome to come along to the meeting on 8 July to share your ideas and pledge your support!</p>	

School Website Links and Information:

<u>Arbor</u>	<p>Please download the new free Arbor parent app onto to your smart phone where you will be kept up to date with all correspondence from school. The in-app messaging will replace the text messaging service that school used in the past. If additional parents would like their email address adding to their child's information to access Arbor, please contact the school office. We currently have 89% of parents/carers using the app and keeping up to date with information!</p>
<u>School Fund</u>	<p>The amount for the Academic year is £38.00, payment can be made online via the School Money. This has been set up so you may choose the amount you would like to pay as this is a voluntary donation. We are most grateful for any contributions you can make.</p>
<u>Diocesan Building Fund</u>	<p>If anyone would like to make a donation to this fund, please do so via School Money www.edsp.co/sm-login For more information please use the following link - Diocesan School Building Fund</p>
<u>PE Kit</u>	<p>The PE kit list is located on the school's website under Parents' Information section > uniform</p> <p>Please ensure your child's kit is returned to school following half term. Any spare PE kit is greatly appreciated as our spare's box is very low for juniors.</p>

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<u>Nursery Wraparound Care</u>	For more information on wraparound care please refer to the following section on our school website. New Nursery 2025 – If you have not already done so, please ensure your eligibility code has been sent to – admin@st-peters.tameside.sch.uk by 10 th June 2025. Thank you
<u>Packed Lunches</u>	If your child would like to change from school meals to packed lunches, then please give us 2 weeks' notice at schoolmeals@st-peters.tameside.sch.uk More information about school meals may be found on our website
<u>Nursery Snack Fund</u>	Snack fund is £2.50 per week. We also ask for £1 each week as a voluntary contribution for curriculum enhancement. Payments are made via School Money. Nursery snack fund for this half term is £16.10. The total amount for next half term will be £21.70
<u>Allergies</u>	We ask parents not to include any of the following foods in their child's packed lunch: Avocado, Nuts, Coconut, Prawn and Sesame. We have children in school with severe allergies! Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.
<u>Twitter/X</u>	We have re-launched our Twitter/X feed - @stpetersSB and are using this social media platform as a way of engaging with families so you are kept up to date with current news and events. Please take a moment to follow our page.
<u>Music – Thursday</u>	Please ensure your child's instrument is brought into school EVERY Thursday for Music with Mr Conway.

Attendance

(Week commencing 23 June)

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance (percentage)	97.8	98.2	95	98.1	94.2	94.7	97.9	95.6
Number of late marks	0	0	1	1	3	1	1	2

Community Events

Make, Do & Play art activity - Make your own WW2 medal inspired by the collection in our museum. With a pin on the back so you can wear your medal with pride! Suitable for all ages, children must be supervised at all times. The activity costs £1.35 per child - please buy your ticket at the museum reception desk. Please note you may have to wait for a space at the craft table during busy times. – Tuesday 29th July – 11am – 3pm & Thursday 31st July 11am – 3pm

Football Fun Factory

Monday 4th August - Thursday 7th August 2025
 West Hill School, SK15 1LX
 Drop off from 8.45am and collection at 3:30pm
 £25 per day or £80 for the full 4-day camp! We also offer a 50% sibling discount!
 Boys & Girls aged 5-12!
<https://booking.thefootballfunfactory.co.uk/event/3627>

Monday 18th August - Thursday 21st August 2025
 West Hill School, SK15 1LX
 Drop off from 8.45am and collection at 3:30pm
 £25 per day or £80 for the full 4-day camp! We also offer a 50% sibling discount!
 Boys & Girls aged 5-12!
<https://booking.thefootballfunfactory.co.uk/event/3628>

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Dates for your diary

- 4 July – 'Meet the new teacher' morning
- 8 July – Own clothes day – bring a tombola prize for the summer fair!
- 9 July – Y6 leavers' production – 'The School-O-Vision Song Contest' - 9.30am and 2.00pm – Tickets are now on sale through School Money
- 10 July – Sports Day
- 14 July – End of year reports to families
- 18 July – Y6 leavers' assembly – 9:15am
- 18 July - Summer Fair evening 6pm – 8pm – PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE
- 22 July – Mass for our leavers - 9.15am.
Early finish, 2.30pm

God bless,

Mrs K Ryan
Headteacher

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