St. Peter's Catholic Primary School

13 November 2026

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the talents which You have given to each of us.
Whatever our gifts may be, teach us to use them wisely, and for the good of others.





We would also like to announce that Mrs Barber will be leaving St. Peter's after the Christmas holidays.

Mrs Barber has devoted almost all of her teaching career to our school, beginning her time here in 2003. We thank her sincerely for her many years of service, and wish her every happiness as she embarks upon a period of world travel.

We are delighted to announce that after the Christmas holidays, Mrs Sibson will be the deputy headteacher at St. Peter's.
This is a role to which Mrs Sibson is looking forward immensely, and one for which she has studied and prepared especially well.
Please join me in wishing Mrs Sibson congratulations on this new role.

Year 5 will be taught by Mr Rhys Walker from January. Mr Walker joins our school from Armitage Primary School in West Gorton. I am sure that our Year 5 children will join me in giving Mr Walker a warm welcome.

Family Group Weekly Winners – so far!



St Tersa of Kolkata – yellow group
20 dojo diamonds – but still time for more to be added to all groups today!

Attendance Matters!

It would be great to have all of our classes in the green zone for attendance whenever we can!
Well done to Vinny, who was the lucky winner of our attendance hamper for 100% attendance last half term.





Attendance Champions in school this week:

Nursery
Keep up the great work!



Whole school attendance:
(this academic year to date):
96.7%

This week so far: 95.8%
Every day in school matters, and with everyone working together, we can reach and exceed our 98% target

Target: 98%

Attendance – 9th to 13th November

1st place	Nursery	98.8.%
2nd place	Year 2	98%
3rd place	Year 1	97.6%
4th place	Reception	96.6%
5th place	Year 4	96.2%
6th place	Year 5	94.2%
7th place	Year 6	93.7%
8th place	Year 3	92.7%

Class Assemblies

All assemblies take place on Fridays at 9.00am in the school hall

13 November: Year 2
20 November: Year 3
15 January: Year 1
22 January: Year 5



Masses

All at 9.15am in St. Peter's main church, or in the side chapel

11 November: Year 1
18 November: Year 6
25 November: Year 5
2 December: Year 4
16 December: Mass to celebrate Advent (whole school)

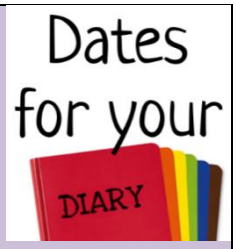


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- 24th November – Year 1 Vision Screening by TGH Orthoptic Team
- 25th November – Own Clothes Day (in exchange for a tombola prize for the Christmas Fair)!
- 27th November – Nasal Flu Vaccinations
- 30th November – Reception Vision Screening by TGH Orthoptic Team
- 4th December – 9:15am & 2:00pm – Junior Nativity and Carols
- 10th December – 9:15am & 1:45pm – Infant Nativity
- 17th December – Christmas Dinner Day. If your child normally has a packed lunch but would like to enjoy our Christmas Dinner, please email schoolmeals@stpetersstalybridge.co.uk to book their meal. Further details, including the menu and cost, will be shared with parents closer to the date.
- 18th December – School Closes at 2:30pm for the Christmas holidays.

Parent Governor Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen our our school's governing body for a parent governor.

Please see attached an application form, role description and personal specification. We would be delighted to hear from you.

IntraHealth

Nasal Flu Vaccination Nursery to Year 6

The Department of Health have announced that all children in Nursery – Year 6 are going to be offered a flu immunisation every year.

The immunisation will take place in our school on Friday 27th November. Please watch out for an email and text message from the NHS around the first week of November for you to give consent for the nasal spray to be administered.

Any concerns please contact Intrahealth on 0333 358 3397 option 1, option 6 then 1 for Tameside.



November: a month when we remember

As usual at this time of year, when we remember those who have died, children in school have been buying items to support the Royal British Legion.

Thank you to our team of Year 6 supporters, who have given up their break times to sell these items.





Thank you to Patrick, who laid the wreath on behalf of St. Peter's at the Remembrance Day parade on Sunday in Stalybridge.

We are very proud to have so many members of the uniformed groups, such as Squirrels, Cubs, Rainbows and Brownies amongst our St. Peter's children.

The whole staff team was also immensely proud of all our children yesterday, as we gathered together to mark Armistice Day at St. Peter's. Everyone showed great respect for the occasion, and the minute of silence was observed beautifully.

We are pleased to let parents and carers know that our Diocese Building Fund and School Fund are now available through the Arbor School Shop

These voluntary contributions help support the ongoing development and maintenance of our school and the wider Catholic education community.

A gentle reminder that any outstanding dinner money arrears should also be cleared as soon as possible. Payments can be made via Arbor, and we would be grateful for your support in keeping accounts up to date. If you are experiencing any difficulties with payments, please contact the school office in confidence.

Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for a Cleaner in the parish halls of Ss Peter & Raphael.

Hours: 4 per week, spread over two sites (with a potential for more hours in the future).

Rate of pay: £13.45 per hour.

Interested parties should send a CV and covering letter to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Further details can be obtained via the Diocese Website www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/careers/parish-hall-cleaner-stalybridge

Closing date: 27 November 2026.

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RSHE Consultation – Now Closed

Thank you to all our families who took the time to explore the Ten:Ten Parents Consultation. Please note that this consultation is now closed.

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Uniform Consultation



Thank you to the families who responded to our school uniform consultation survey.

From January, 2027, children will come to school wearing PE uniform of the days of their PE lessons.

These days are as follows:
Year 1: Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 2: Monday and Wednesday
Year 3: Wednesday and Friday
Year 4: Thursday and Friday
Year 5: Thursday and Friday
Year 6: Monday and Thursday

We were very grateful for the positive comments made in support of our proposal for this change. In responses to the survey, families spoke about this meaning less lost learning time, as there will be no need to spend time getting changed before and after PE lessons. With older children, there will be no need to supervise boys and girls getting changed separately. Parents also spoke of their understanding of this change meaning that PE uniform could be washed more frequently at home, and thought that it would lead to fewer items of PE uniform being lost!

Please understand that sweatshirts, tracksuit bottoms and trainers must be plain. One of our school aims of uniform is to ensure equality. Logos and brands can create a sense of inequality. Please refrain from purchasing expensive, branded items of clothing and footwear. We suggest that supermarket brands of sweatshirts, tracksuit bottoms and trainers may be a cost-efficient source of PE uniform, and are readily available as plain items.

A link to our school website, where our PE uniform is listed, is here - Uniform

Have a great week, and God bless,

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Mrs Ryan

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