



ST. PETER'S SCHOOL
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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful break with your children now that summer is truly here. It was wonderful to see them all properly rested and they have had a great start to the second half of this summer term. Already we have had many events in the first week!

Year 6 enjoyed a fabulous time during their residential trip at the Scout Hut. They did us proud with their teamwork and positive attitude. There was a true community spirit as the children worked so well together with many of our staff team helping out at different points of each day of the week; whether it was supporting them in their daily exciting challenges, cooking their meals or ensuring they had restful sleeping arrangements. These excursions are only so successful because of the dedicated and caring staff team who give up their evenings/nights so that our children can have these lifelong memories.



St. Peter's School in local events

As well as trips to the zoo for Nursery and the Marine Exhibition for Year 3 so far, participation in the Primary Engineer workshops culminated in medal worthy creations by members of Year 3 too! The awards are part of a continuing drive to develop STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) skills from an early age, led by Skills Jersey and UK organisation Primary Engineer. Jersey Electricity – the local Primary Engineer partner recently hosted the grading and judging days of the competition. Last Friday, more than 100 pupils from 13 primary schools across the Island demonstrated their construction and model vehicle projects to a panel of industry experts and teachers. Our Year 3 designers were **double** medal winners and we are super proud of their incredible achievements – we have some future budding scientists!



Our Nursery Staff team and I were thrilled to see the beautiful creations made by nursery children at the "Shining a Light on Creativity" Early Years Art Exhibition launch evening in the Link Gallery at the Jersey Museum. It was fabulous to see how artistic they can be when given the inspiration.





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Later this week, our choir will be singing to a private audience of The British-Irish Council (BIC) at the L'Horizon Hotel. It is the fifth time a BIC summit has been held in Jersey out of 39. The meeting will be attended by leaders and ministers from the eight BIC member administrations: the UK and Irish Governments; the devolved administrations of the Scottish and Welsh Governments and Northern Ireland Executive; the Governments of the Isle of Man, Guernsey and the host, Jersey. The choir have been selected to open the evening with their stunning performance of their winning entry from the Eisteddfod competitions earlier this year.

We still have so much to look forward to for the rest of the half term: sponsored walk, Cinema Night this Friday, Sports Day, the Summer Fair, the Y5 St Aubin's Fort residential, other school trips and transition all our children into new class groups when they can meet their new teachers as well as new schools for our Y6...and welcoming our new families for Nursery and Reception when they attend the Foundation stage meeting later this month.

Parent consultations

Parents will shortly receive invites to book a slot to meet their child's classteacher for an end of year summary of their child's progress. Most consultations will take place on Tuesday and Thursday next week by using the booking system used earlier this year. Some year groups will have a different arrangement and will receive a separate email outlining how we will share information with you.

Staffing Updates

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Young who works in our Nursery as she has decided to explore new creative ventures because she is leaving the world of education. This has been something she has been planning for some time now and we wish her well in her future endeavours. She will be greatly missed as she has been such a positive and nurturing influence for the youngest members of our school.

We have also said farewell to Mr. Mulliner who joined us briefly to help look after our building as our relief caretaker whilst we recruited someone new. In a short time, he was so helpful and resourceful! We are now delighted to share that we are welcoming Mr Le Cornec, our new caretaker who commences his role next week. You will see him out on the road crossing, so will no doubt get to see him. We are thrilled he is joining us as he comes with much experience and enthusiasm.

Later this term, before our transition day, we shall be sharing the staffing arrangements for the new year so you will know about the staff teams with whom your children will work with after the summer. You will have a chance to meet them properly at the Curriculum Parent meeting in September.

Health and Safety

Safeguarding is our number one priority of which there are many aspects. All staff are trained to the basic levels to identify any concerns and report these to myself or Mr Cronin, in my absence. Whilst your children are under our supervision during the school day, we cannot do this before and after school. Please could we politely remind parents that **children should only be coming onto the premises from 8.30am onwards** as there is no one to supervise them outside. At the end of the day, children in Year 4 and upwards have permission to walk home alone, **provided we receive written consent**. Parents of children in the younger classes are required to call in and alert the office if they make a last minute change to the pick up arrangements agreed. Therefore, we will not release a child to another parent who arrives saying they have been given consent to pick up someone else's child. This is purely down to the procedures laid down by our safeguarding protocols.



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Primary School Meals Service – message to Parents

Thank you to each and every one of you for ensuring that your child enjoys a nutritious lunch every day at school, whether it is a packed lunch, the school meals service or a combination. The feedback we receive from parents like yourself ensures that the lunchtime session remains an enjoyable one for your child. In line with the Chief Ministers 100 Day plan, we have full support to keep up this great work at your school. As we do, we have one small ask from you – we need your advice! Your experience, either with packed lunches or the school meals service, is invaluable. It directly informs how we maximise the lunchtime experience for your child.

For a short period of time, parents of this school, including you, are being invited to share your experiences. It takes no more than 3 minutes to complete. You can share your views anonymously here today: <https://survey.gov.je/s/SchoolMealSurvey/> . We appreciate all advice you are willing to offer. You may also see us and colleagues from the Public Health team around at the end of the school day in the coming weeks. Please do come over to chat with us, we'd love to hear from you.

Thank you,

Children Young People and Skills, Commissioning team
Public Health Directorate, Health Improvement team
Caring Cooks

As always, we are constantly striving to ensure we respond and action any general concerns or queries you may have, so do please approach your class teacher or Key Stage Phase leader in the first instance. Mr Cronin or myself are usually available on the playground in the mornings and as much as possible after school, should you want to speak to one of us briefly. However, should you wish to discuss any matters in greater detail, please make an appointment by contacting us through the main office.

With very best wishes,

Ms N Rashid
Headteacher