

Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to wish you and your child a warm welcome back to Class 1 as we start the new school year. We have plans for lots of fabulous, fun-filled learning over the coming months. We would just like to remind you of a few of the routines and expectations.

- The start to the day is 8.50am when the classroom door will be opened. We would be grateful if the children and younger siblings could be asked <u>not</u> to play with or move the resources set out in the yard ready for the first learning session. The gate on St Peter's Road is locked at 9am.
- Pick up time is 3.15pm and children not gathered up by 3.25 they will join the afterschool Keys Club (for a charge!).
- Book bags: Please make sure they come into school <u>every</u> day and are checked when they get home for any circulars or letters (and reading books!). Don't forget you can use the Home-School record book, kept in the book bag, to communicate with us!
- Water bottles: Please ensure your child has a water bottle which will be kept in school; we will make sure it is washed and filled up each day.
- Reading: Your child will read to adults in Class 1 at least three times a week. It is hugely
 important for their progress that they also read at home with you as much as possible (i.e.
 daily!). Please sign your child's book when they have read to you so that we know and can
 give them team points or a sticker for reading at home!
- Homework will be sent home on Wednesdays, with the expectation that it is completed and returned to school on the following Monday. Phonics sound sheets are sent home as new sounds are taught and they are best completed on the day they are sent home and returned the following day.
- Behaviour: As you know, we have extremely high expectations of behaviour at St. Peter's. A reward chart be used consistently in the classroom. Also stickers, team points and praise will often be given. We encourage that you ask your child how school has been today (you may or may not get an answer!!).
- PE kit: This must be brought into school (with all items <u>named!</u>) at the beginning of every half term. Your child will participate in 2 hours of PE each week. Their kit will be sent home at the end of each half term to be washed. Please ensure this is returned for the first day back after each holiday break.

Just to let you know also, the first parents' assembly is on Friday (Sept 12th) at 9.15am and the following week, on Thursday (Sep 18th), we will be holding a meet-the-teacher/coffee afternoon from 1.45-4pm when you will be able to visit the classroom and also have a cuppa and treat in the hall with your child.

I am sure the children are going to have a wonderful year, with lots of progress in their learning and many enjoyable days. Your support is, as always, invaluable and very much appreciated.

With best wishes, Mrs Bacon & Mrs Maher.