

Wednesday 2nd September 2026

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 **not** 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 will join the afterschool Keys Club (for a charge!).
- Book bags: Please make sure they come into school every 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 regularly during the 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 for reading at home!
- Homework: 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 into school completed the following day.
- Behaviour: As you know, we have extremely high expectations of behaviour at St. Peter's. A reward chart will 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 named!)** 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 11th at 9.15am and the following week, on Thursday (Sep 17th), we will be holding a meet-the-teacher/coffee afternoon from 1.45 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.