



At St Peter's, our curriculum is more than just academic: we work hard to find opportunities to enrich "the whole child" and one aspect of this is through spiritual development. Part of our school vision is "...we flourish through the connections and the relationships we nurture...". One aspect of spiritual development is quite philosophical, examining our human place in the world, how we relate to nature and its wonders. We have particularly focused on the beauty of trees as you can see from some of the lovely work below:



We wanted to provide you with some information on the work the governors have been doing over the last few months.

Our monitoring of priorities at school has been our main focus and we have been in to see the work being done in pre-school and reception on speech and language, we have discussed with children across year groups the school vision and their thoughts on collective worship, and we have looked at maths across the school, with particular focus on times tables. Other visits include handwriting (across year groups) and discussed with children their views on behaviour at the school. It is always a pleasure to visit classrooms and speak to the children - they are a real credit to you and have the courage to speak up.

Regular visits also take place on Safeguarding, SEND and health and safety. A number of changes have been implemented following governor visits so we believe we are having a positive impact on the school.

Our focus has also continued on attendance and looking at the processes the school employs to improve attendance.

Regular governor meetings have taken place on the curriculum, resources and financials and we are fortunate to have a multi-skilled governing board who are committed to improving the school.

Jayne Robertson  
Chair of Governors



James 2:18 "I will show you my faith by my actions"

Hopefully you have already seen the email but just in case, School Council are pleased to announce their planned cake sale! Money raised will be split between FOSP and two charities Council have chosen: Malaria No More and Christian Aid.



School dates	
Newly added items or any changes are highlighted in yellow	
May	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Non-Pupil Day
25 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup>	HALF TERM
June	
1 <sup>st</sup>	RETURN TO SCHOOL
2 <sup>nd</sup> - 6.30pm	New Starters Information Evening
4 <sup>th</sup>	Class photographs
5 <sup>th</sup>	Environment Day
12 <sup>th</sup>	Mulberry class assembly - 2.45pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	School Council Cake Sale
15 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup>	Refugee Week
18 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup>	Fathers' Day stall
22 <sup>nd</sup>	New classes out to parents
25 <sup>th</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Honeywood induction
25 <sup>th</sup>	'Move up' morning
July	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	'Move up' morning
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Volunteer coffee morning
9 <sup>th</sup>	'Move up' morning
7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	Upper Key Stage 2 production
10 <sup>th</sup>	School reports out to parents
13 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Leavers' evening
14 <sup>th</sup>	iRocks concert
15 <sup>th</sup>	5pm-7pm - Celebration evening
17 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Leavers' Service at the church
17 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Picnic (weather dependent)





## FOSP Upcoming events

We're still confirming details for some upcoming fundraisers, but after half term we'll be running the following:

### **Spare Change Challenge - 8-19th June**

Start rummaging behind sofas and under beds for any spare pennies to add to your class bottles!

### **Bake sale - Friday 12th June, after school**

Organised by the School Council, this will raise money for FOSP as well as two other charities chosen by the Council. Perhaps the children could use the half term break to test out some baking at home.

### **New starters - September 2026 Mulberry class**

We have two events coming up for new starters - and all parents of children joining Mulberry class at St Peter's in September are warmly invited to both.

- Informal drinks night - Friday 19 June, 7:30pm at Rupert's
- Stay and Play - Sunday 12 July, 2-4pm at Coggeshall Village Hall

These are just the first opportunities for parents and children to get to know each other before September, there will be more!

## **Inflatables day - an update**

Thank you to everyone who showed interest in our planned Inflatables Day. As you'll know, we made the difficult decision on Friday to postpone the event.

Several factors made it impossible to proceed with confidence. The weather forecast had been changing throughout the week, including the possibility of thundery showers - something we have to take seriously in our risk assessment. Ticket sales had also been much lower than usual. Normally we see a surge in the days before an event, but that hadn't happened this time. The company providing the inflatables were also concerned that rain would reduce footfall significantly - leaving everyone out of pocket. On the catering side, a shortage of volunteers meant we would have needed to bring in additional paid staff to run the hot food. That increases our costs considerably, and with already low ticket numbers, there was a real risk the event would have raised very little or even could have run at a loss.

We want to be clear that this was not a decision we took lightly. We had a great deal of discussion, and ultimately felt that postponing to a future date was the right call rather than pushing ahead and risking a poor experience for families and a financial loss for FOSP. We are genuinely hopeful that we can bring inflatables day back later in the year and make it the day it deserves to be.

This situation has also prompted us to be honest about something we have seen across a number of events - a consistent shortage of volunteers for the day itself. We are always grateful to those who help with setup and clear-up, and that contribution is hugely valued. But we also need people who can give just one hour during the event to help sell hot food and run the tuck shop. Without that, we are forced to rely on paid staff, which significantly reduces the money we are able to raise for the school. Events like inflatables day, Fireworks and the Christmas Fayre exist to provide something wonderful for our children and their families - but they are also vital fundraisers, and every volunteer hour and every advance ticket sale in this case genuinely makes a difference. If you would love to see events like this go ahead, please do consider signing up to help - it means more than you might think.



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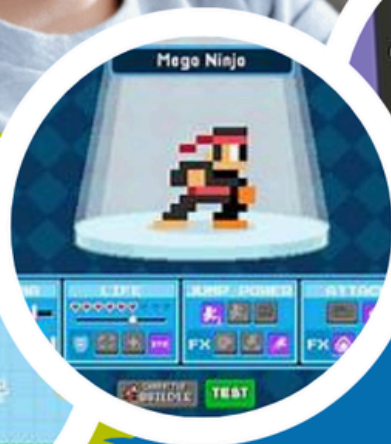
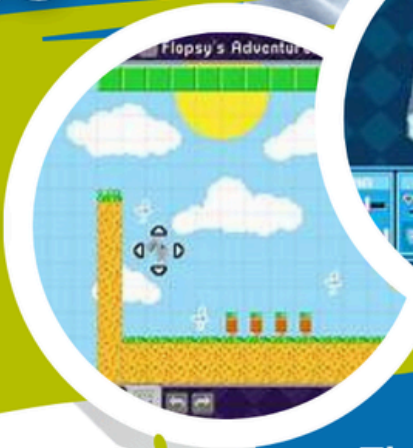
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