



Loving and learning together, with Jesus

Today I would like to say Thank You to you all for the partnership, trust and faith you have placed in me over the fourteen years I have been at St Peter's.



This week your children have been amazing and I am enjoying the precious time I have with them, engaging in their learning and listening to their stories.



During my last few weeks I will prioritise spending time with the children, who never cease to amaze me with their kindness, curiosity and sense of fun.

It is poignant that the first class I taught at St Peter's, who were in Reception at the time, are now leaving Secondary school and Colleges. It is always rewarding to bump into previous students and hear what they are up to. I hope I am able to do the same for many years to come.

It is always a privilege and a joy.

Much love, Mrs Parker



Dear God,

Thank You for the sunshine,
the blue skies, and the fun days ahead.
Thank You for ice cream, sprinklers, and time
with friends.

Help us to stay safe and happy,
to be kind and helpful wherever we go,
and to remember that You are with us -
on every trip, every play day and quiet night.

Bless our families, our teachers and our friends.
Fill this summer time with laughter, love and
Your light.

Amen.



CURRICULUM IN ACTION UKS2

Year 5 - The Amazing Americas!

Year 5 have been studying the geographical features of South America and have enjoyed researching information about the Amazon Rainforest.

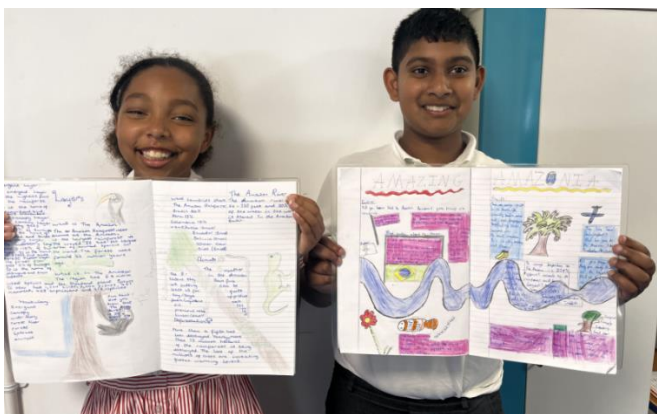


Kieran in 5B, 'I enjoyed learning new facts about the Amazon Rainforest and found it fascinating that the Amazon has more than 390 Billion trees in it!'

Harper in 5B, 'I like discovering all the new animals in the Amazon and was really interested to discover that there are 315 species of parrots in the Rainforest.'

William in 5B, 'I was amazed to discover the Amazon Rainforest is 7 million KM2 which means the whole of the UK can fit into it 28 times!'

Courtney in 5B, 'The Amazon Rainforest has approximately 40,000 plant species and around 2,200 different types of fish, which is a lot!!'



Year 6 - Arctic/Antarctica

The children have been learning about the Arctic and Antarctic and the harm that tourist can do to an area. They worked in groups to produce posters warning against damage to the landscape and the environment. The children showed great passion and knowledge and produced some wonderful posters, working together in small groups towards their learning key of reciprocity. Great work!



'Exploring our geography topic of arctic and antarctica has helped us understand different parts of the world and climate change - in a way that we haven't thought about before'. Lena and Amelia.



MUSIC UPDATE



Congratulations to the children who successfully played in their Rocksteady concert last half term. We are currently making the final preparations towards our end of year prom. If your child plays a musical instrument and would like a chance to play it in the school prom, please ask them to come and see Mrs Kemp in 4A

Pupil Voice Sustainability Event

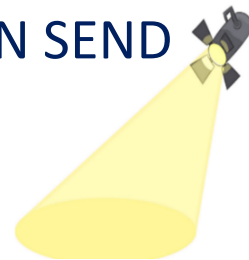
The ECO reps had a great time at South Green Infant school! We were discussing all the things we have done to look after our school environment and our plans for next year!



SPOTLIGHT ON SEND



**Autism
Central**



Autism Central is a free service designed to support parents, carers, and personal assistants of autistic people of any age with no diagnosis required. The service is led by experienced parents and carers of autistic individuals who are passionate about sharing their knowledge and supporting others.

The programme offers information on the website, group online sessions and one-to-one support via telephone or Teams, bookable via the website. www.autismcentral.org.uk

They currently have availability for 1:1 support.

Request 1:1 support here:
[East of England delivered by Essex County Council | Autism Central](#)

Online sessions delivered by Autism Central for Essex County Council on supporting SEND children with toileting and sleep. Both sessions are online and can be booked via the link. You do not need a formal diagnosis to access this support. It is primarily aimed at Autistic children but should provide transferrable advice and support for other areas of SEND.

Group session

Toileting - 15 Jul 2025

10:00:AM - 11:30:AM

<https://www.autismcentral.org.uk/events/toileting-4>

Sleep - 09 Jul 2025

10:00:AM - 11:30:AM

<https://www.autismcentral.org.uk/events/sleep-3>



Sun Cream Application

Please be reminded to apply sun cream before your child comes to school, especially during this current spell of warm weather.

School Access

We politely request that children do not return to class at the end of the day to retrieve forgotten items as there is no one to supervise them. Anything left behind can be collected the following day.

Morning Drop off

Parents and carers are reminded that children are not to be dropped off and left unattended in the playground before 8.40am. There is no staff supervision before this time.

Healthy Snacks

Please be reminded that snacks brought into school to be eaten during the morning break must be healthy. A healthy snack may consist of a piece/combination of fruit/vegetables, plain popcorn or plain breadsticks and rice cakes. High sugar items such as cereal bars are not to be brought into school to be eaten at break times. Please also refrain from bringing items containing nuts into school.

Please see the separate email regarding our Healthy Snacks and Treat Day requirements.

Parent Calendar

Parents are reminded to check the Calendar in the Information section on the School Website for upcoming dates and events.

Polite Reminder

Parents and carers are politely requested to be mindful of parking restrictions and the local residents when dropping off and picking up from school. We appreciate that the areas around the school do get very congested, but the children's safety is our top priority.

SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS



Year 2 had a great time at Mayflower playing 3T's cricket! They had great team skills and built good communication! Well done Year 2!



Year 4 boys and girls had a great day at the cricket on a lovely sunny afternoon at Mayflower School. There were some excellent throwing and catching skills on display along with some super batting. With 3 wins and 1 loss, the team came first in their group but (with time running out) they were unable to play the final play-off game to determine a winner. Well done to everyone involved.



PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS

Year 6 girls took part in a Girl's cricket competition at Buttsbury Junior School on Tuesday. A huge learning curve for the girls who did brilliantly to improve their bowling and fielding skills. In addition, their batting was outstanding, particularly their ability to steal singles which had even the opposition coach chuckling. A great second place - well done girls



Year 2 had a great time at the Mini Olympics! They worked together and represented their mini games country, France! We are really proud of all the children who took part and gave it their all, even in the heat! Well done, Year 2!



Well done to Bella (Year 1) who recently performed in 3 shows at the Queen's Theatre in Hornchurch with her dance school. The show was called "Dancing through Life"



Congratulations to Niamh (Year 5) who last month took part in her first National gymnastics competition as part of a team. The East team had a fantastic round and came second, with Niamh placing 8th overall putting her in the top 10 in the UK.



Well done to Henry (Year 3) who helped to raise over £1,000 for Basildon Mind by partaking in a 5k Seafont Run in Southend on Sunday 8th June. Basildon Mind's aim is to help people in local communities to have better mental health and wellbeing and to live the best lives possible. They do this by providing a range of services to meet local needs. Basildon Mind hope to ensure that no one faces a mental health problem alone.



Congratulations to Archie, Jude, Jack and Jacob (Year 1 & 2) who were runners up at a football tournament held at Ipswich Town FC. The boys and their team did brilliantly to go unbeaten all the way to the final, but narrowly lost 1-0. It was a great experience for them in front of a large crowd and they played incredibly well. They also experienced a tunnel walkout and had a tour around the players dressing room.

St Peter's Summer Fete



Will be held on Saturday 28th June in the field adjacent to the school. Come along and support our school, friends and family are all very welcome! We have a bbq, ice creams, live music & dance, a petting zoo, bouncy castles, fair games, hair braiding, K50 football shoot out, and much more! Your support is greatly appreciated.



Reminders and Diary Dates

27 th June	Sports Day, Book Share, School Mass (St. Peter & St. Paul Feast Day)
30 th June	Norfolk Lakes 2026 meeting (Current Year 5) – 2.45pm
2 nd - 4 th July	Year 6 Residential Trip (Norfolk Lakes)
9 th July	Year 6 Production – 7pm
11 th July	Reserve Sports Day/Book share
15 th July	Year 6 Leavers mass – 7pm (School Hall)

Parental Consent

If you wish to amend/withdraw parental consent for images and marketing, please complete the Parental Consent Withdrawal form which can be found on the school website under 'Key Information' and 'Data Protection' and return via email to Mrs Foster in the school office.

St. Peter's Family

We are a school community. Please remember to treat each other with kindness and respect both within the grounds of our school and beyond the school gates.



PLEASE REGULARLY CHECK THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR KEY DATES AND SPECIFIC YEAR GROUP EVENTS

www.stpeterscatholicprimaryschool.uk.uk/diary

Don't forget to follow us on X for regular 'tweets' about what's been going on at St. Peter's!



News from The Most Holy Redeemer



Parish Parent and Baby Friendship Group

Babies and toddlers up to age two with their parents or carers are very welcome at our Parish Parent and Baby Group. We meet every Thursday morning during term time in the Small Hall. Drop in any time between 9.30 and 11.30am for a cuppa, a chat, and playtime for your little ones. Free of charge. We would love to see you!

St. John Bosco Children's Camp 2025

For children aged 9- 12 years old (school years 5-7), a week of great fun, activities including climbing wall and zip wire, fishing, football, archery and much more, all in a beautiful setting. The Camp has a Catholic ethos and exists to give children a magnificent holiday. 26th July – 2nd August. For more details, and application information: www.boscocamp.co.uk. The Camp is a special work of Caritas Diocese of Brentwood.

Summer Holiday Kids Club You're invited!

We would love to invite your children aged 4 - 11 years old, to our Summer Holiday Kids Club. We had a great time last year as Secret Agents and we hope you can join us this year in exploring God's wonderful creation!

The club will run every morning from Monday 18th – Wednesday 20th August between 9:30 – 12:30 in the Pastoral Centre. This year we are looking at the creation story. Teams will use their senses to explore smells and textures, they will undertake scientific experiments, solve puzzles and use their creativity. We have a variety of fun games and activities on offer, suitable for different age groups. If this is something that will be of interest to your child, registration forms can be found in the church foyer. One form per child. Due to health and safety regulations we're unable to accommodate pre-school children.

We need you! Without parental/guardian support the Kids Club will not be able to run. All parents/guardians are encouraged to help out on at least one of the sessions. We need volunteers for each morning as well

as setting up on Sunday afternoon. Youth helpers are welcome too! Please contact me on kristindefreitas@brcdt.org if you would like to volunteer.

Dental Appointments



Please book routine dental check-ups after school or during school holidays to avoid disruption to your child's learning time and the school day.

You may need to book this with the dental surgery some time in advance.

If the appointment relates to a dental concern/emergency, please make us aware.

WRAPAROUND CARE

St Peter's are excited to announce that The Young Ones Childcare Services who currently have an 'Outstanding' Ofsted rating, will be an on site provider for Wraparound Care between 7.45am- 8.40am and 3.20pm-6pm, term time only, commencing September 2025. This will create an additional 30 places. Please contact The Young Ones for more information on 07982 762284

GIRLS CRICKET



IT'S BACK!!!!

GIRLS' SOFTBALL CRICKET **YRS 3-6**

Starts TUESDAY 3rd June
6-7pm at Billericay Cricket Club

FUN. FAST. FEARLESS CRICKET.

£35 FOR 8 SESSIONS

1ST SESSION FREE!!

JOIN NOW!



**SCAN OR CLICK
TO SIGN UP**



Contact us at:

www.billericaycc.co.uk/women-girls-cricket



With the cricket season in full swing, Billericay Cricket Club is thrilled to offer a fantastic opportunity for girls in Years 3 to 6 to get active, build confidence, and have fun outdoors!

We're launching an 8-week Softball Cricket Course starting Tuesday 3rd June, designed especially for beginners and those looking to give cricket a go in a friendly and supportive environment.

Bikeability Summer Courses

The Summer Holidays are fast-approaching. Are you looking for something for your child to do during this time?

Why not sign them up to a Bikeability Course.

Various levels are available as well as beginner Learn to Ride courses.

The courses are being held in the following locations:

Chelmsford
Colchester
Witham
Harlow

Please see below the link to book
<https://essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking>

HOLIDAY COURSES

**Bikeability Level 1, Level 1 & 2 and 3
and Learn to ride courses**

To book, please visit link
essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking
There is a £15 non-refundable booking fee

**SAFER
GREENER
HEALTHIER**



Essex County Council



Visit the online safety section on the
Internet Matters website:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

which gives advice for parents on talking to their children about online safety and what children are to do if they come across inappropriate content.



Fire Museum Open Day

Essex Fire Museum Open Day



Sunday 29th 10:30AM
June To
2025 4:00PM

Fire Station, Hogg Lane, Grays
RM17 5QS

Book Now



Museum@essex-fire.gov.uk



Attendance

Essex County Council
Education

Where does your child sit on
the attendance mountain?



There will be opportunities for families to get involved in history trails around the museum, spot hazards in our fire safety room, partake in craft activities and a sit on our fire engines

The museum is free entry (but visits are by appointment only as we are on the site of an operational fire station).

If families are interested, could they please make a booking via Eventbrite:

29th June 2025

[Essex Fire Museum Open Day Tickets, Sun 29 Jun 2025 at 10:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Suggested last admissions are 2.30pm. This is just so that people have enough time to experience everything on site.