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Welcome from the Headteacher

I am blown away by how all pupils are living out the school's mission every day.

It's been a busy start to the term and I continue to be amazed by our community's support when we open our doors. Our oversubscribed Year 7 cohort have settled into our St Peter's family, with our Meet the Tutor evening and our Welcome Mass and retreat at St Andrew's encapsulating our Catholic ethos. I am delighted to launch several experiences to enrich our pupils with cultural capital and spiritual enlightenment. I am overwhelmed by the Paris trip response and we will ensure all pupils have the opportunity of an overseas trip every year. We have sent out our Lourdes letters and I am excited by the numbers joining our pilgrimage. Next half term, we will hand out letters for our ski trip. Year 11 are preparing for their pre-public exams after a successful revision evening. We are now collecting for our harvest festival. It is our Catholic mission to support the most vulnerable and we will collect donations with St Margaret Clitherow Primary and give them to the food bank in South Bank.

"Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty" - Matthew 13:1-9

Stephanie Garthwaite

HEADTEACHERS MESSAGE



Year 6 Open Evening

We were delighted to open our doors to almost 400 parents, carers and potential future St Peter's Catholic College pupils at our Open Evening.

This event began with an inspirational talk from our headteacher, Mrs Garthwaite, who spoke about how immensely proud she is of the hard work and commitment of her staff that has helped transform St Peter's into a school that's now rated Good by Ofsted.

Our head boy and head girl spoke about their experiences at St Peter's over the last five years and the progress they have made, both through their academic studies and their extracurricular activities.

Parents and carers commented on how confident and well spoken they were.

Two Year 7 pupils spoke about their first five weeks at St Peter's, explaining what a typical school day involves, the subjects they enjoy and the variety of enrichment they attend.

Our prospective pupils, parents and carers could then experience what a typical lesson looks like as they were given a guided tour of all our subject areas, including Maths, English, Science and Art.

Activities included baking scones in catering and fitness training in our brand new gym.

Well done to all our pupils and prefects who took part in these lessons - we are proud of you.

A highlight of the evening was the delicious food that visitors could sample in our dining hall to get a real taste of what a St Peter's lunchtime is all about.

It was wonderful to see so many members of our community and we look forward to welcoming you to the St Peter's family.



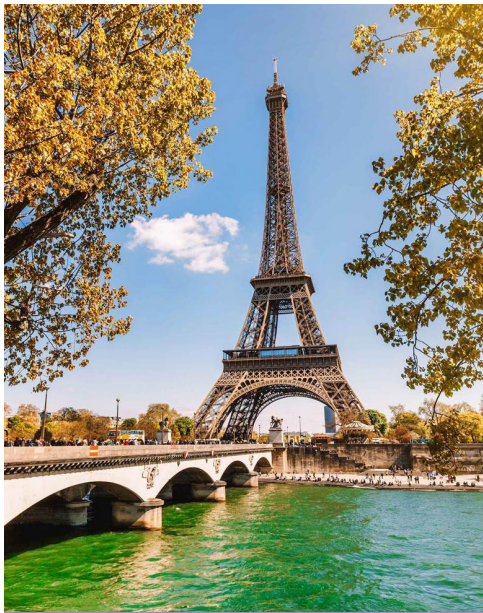
Time of prayer welcomes our newest pupils

Our Year 7 Welcome Mass and retreat day was a lovely way for pupils to mark the end of their first two weeks as part of our school family.

After a hymn practice with Mr Hawkins we walked to St Andrew's Church, where Father Michael Sellers celebrated our Mass, a beautiful time of prayer as our young people start their journey with us.

Back at school we enjoyed a first family dining experience for our Year 7s. They had an afternoon tea with their form before the start of their afternoon.





ST PETER'S REWARDS CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN STYLE

Our new St Peter's Christmas reward trips will recognise attendance and achievement and help pupils celebrate the festive season in style.

These trips, which are bespoke to each year group, will take place in the last week of term. Pupils will have the chance to take part in activities from bowling and pizza to ice skating and the cinema.

To attend these trips, pupils must have at least 97 per cent attendance and should be seen to be living out our school mission statement – one faith, one family, one future.

Further details will follow in the coming weeks as we look forward to celebrating this special time of year together.

REVISION EVENING EQUIPS PUPILS FOR SUCCESS

We welcomed parents, carers and pupils into school for the Year 11 parents and carers' information evening.

The session started with a brief introduction from Mrs Garthwaite, Mr Webster and Mr Ezard, before sessions on how to revise and succeed in their Maths, English, Science and RE PPEs (pre-public exams).

Pupils collected free revision guides and a range of stationery and revision materials.

Pupils will use the information gathered and their new resources to ensure they are fully prepared for their assessments.

The PPEs started on Monday 16th October.



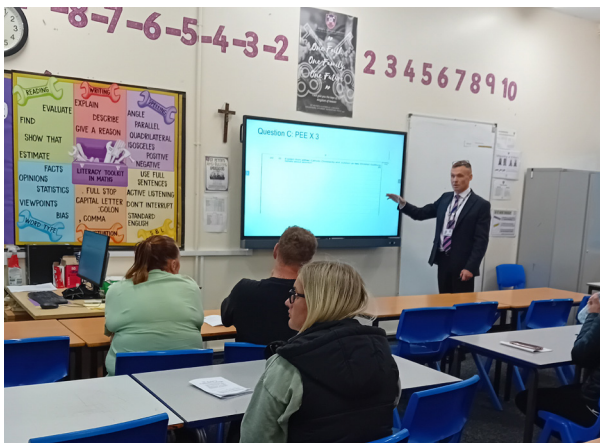
COFFEE MORNING RAISES FUNDS FOR CANCER CHARITY

Our Macmillan Coffee Morning was an enjoyable event, with lots of delicious cakes donated by staff and pupils.

Alexis from Year 9 helped set up and sell the cakes. At break time we were inundated by lots of pupils coming to buy from us.

By lunchtime, when we finished the sale, we had completely sold out.

Thanks to the generosity of our community we raised £120 for the cancer charity.




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SHINING OUT IN SPORTS AND SERVICE

Our new St Peter's Shout Out social media campaign celebrates pupils' achievements outside of school.

Sporting successes include Lucy in Year 8 being selected for Leeds Rhinos Under-13 netball team, Tillie in Year 11 completing her third skills boxing bout and Gracie in Year 9's success in her dance competition.

Many pupils have been living out our mission statement, including Lucas from Year 11, who volunteers at the MS Therapy Centre.

We are so proud of them all. If you have any achievements to share, please let us know so we can celebrate them together.

PUPILS UNITE FOR MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Our prefects and school council gave up their break times for over a week to make awareness ribbons for World Mental Health Awareness Day on October 10.

It's a day to raise awareness about not only mental health but also the support in place.

Our pastoral team support pupils throughout school and we also signpost pupils to other agencies, such as the text service Shout 85285, as well as our own email-based service, saintpetersspeaks@stpeters.npcat.org.uk.

We will donate money raised from the sale of the ribbons to Mind Teesside.



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