

Parent Bulletin

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'In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you.' Matthew 7:12

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



It was so nice to meet so many parents over the last few nights in the 'Meet the Principal' events. I hope that I was able to explain the vision for the school and provide details on both the journey that St. Peter's has been on and will be taking in the future, working within the Three Spires Academy Trust.

These four evenings also gave me an insight into the concerns of many parents. I really valued these contributions, so that I could explore and investigate and hopefully put things in place. These concerns included; marking, parents evenings, homework, reporting systems, the return of trips abroad, the potential disruption to learning of any new build process and also the request for supervised homework clubs.

These are all the things that we will be looking at closely in school and I am delighted to be able to announce that as a direct response to requests, we will be introducing a facility for a homework club to be available from 8am-8.35am Monday - Friday and also a provision for students to do homework in a supervised environment until 5pm after school on Tuesday-Friday. Details of how to sign up for this provision have been emailed to all pupils this week.

It was really good to hear that the majority of parents felt that the bulletin and the introduction of Class Charts had gone a long way to improve communication. We do however recognise that we still need to respond quicker at times, and we need to explore new and innovative channels of communication moving forward.

On Wednesday, we celebrated International Democracy Day in school and I was delighted to see and hear many students learn about Nelson Mandela and his famous democracy speech. This has given me many ideas that perhaps we should start a theme of making sure we talk to students on a regular basis about fantastic role models from all manner of different backgrounds. It is something I regularly do with my own children at home, utilising the excellent books:

'Stories for boys who dare to be Different' & 'Stories for kids that dare to be different' by Ben Brooks, 'The Good Guys' by Rob Kemp & Paul Blow and also 'Goodnight stories for Rebel girls' by Francesca Cavallo & Elena Favilli.

The Enrichment & Enhancement programme is up and running and in full swing, and it was a delight to see over 40 students in Year 11 getting extra help in Physics this week. Alongside this, I was very impressed with the talent on show in the Year 7 & 8 football matches versus St. Edmunds.

Hopefully everyone has seen the Express & Star this week and the lovely article on our very own Josh Badhan who we will all be cheering on in the World Championship Weightlifting tournament. We are really proud of Josh and it was a treat to see how pleased he was with all the interest in him this week. I have to commend him on not only his efforts, but also on his humility, which is a quality to be admired.

During Worship this week, I have spoken to students about the opportunity to make a fresh start and the importance of adapting: 'In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you.' Matthew 7:12 as a way of living. I can see it shining through, more and more every week.

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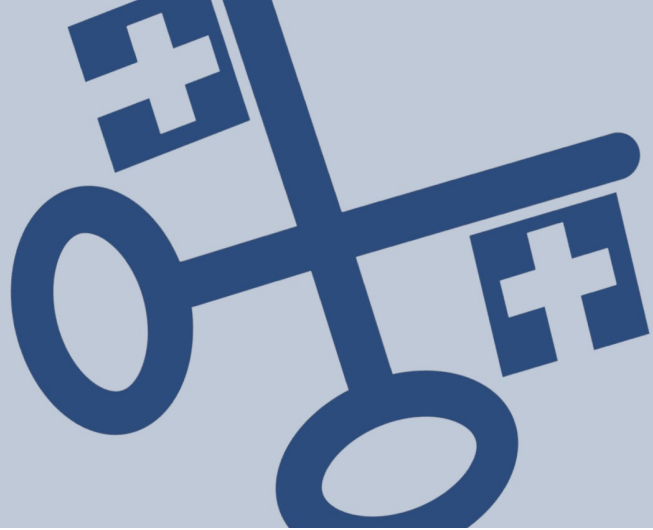
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JOSH HAS THE POWER – GOING FOR GOLD IN ITALY

Josh Badhan (11PJ) travelled to Sardinia in Italy this week to compete in the World Powerlifting Championships.

Joshua's friends and staff at the Academy will be supporting the Year 11 as he aims to become a world champion. He will compete in the single bench press lift in the World Powerlifting Championships being held in Sardinia this weekend. Joshua, aged 15, has recently become British powerlifting champion after competing in the British Sub Junior Powerlifting Championships. He has also qualified for the World Full Powerlifting Championships taking place in Ireland in November.



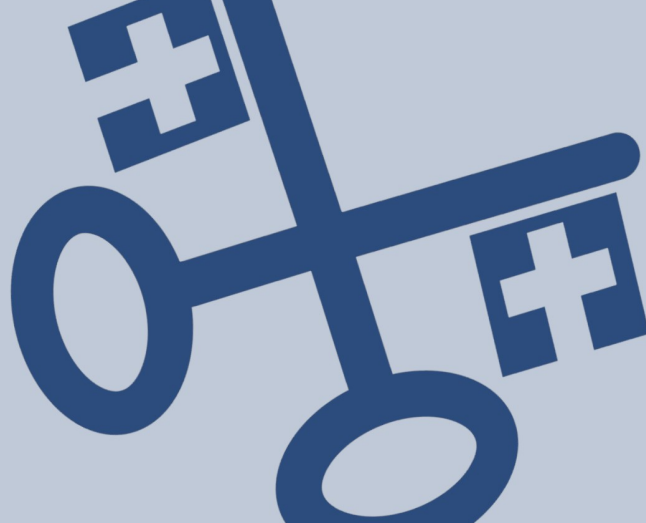
The teenager has been inspired by his father, Mak Singh, and started showing an interest in the sport at the age of only five-years-old. At that time he would deadlift the living room sofas to impress his father. Joshua began weight-training at the age of 13 and, by the age of 14, his talent really began to show. He said: "During the first lockdown it was difficult to train but I used heavy objects such as sacks of potatoes to lift, and did push-ups, chin-ups, free squats and skipping daily to maintain fitness levels. "During the second lockdown, my father set up a home gym to support me with my training and dream to become a champion weightlifter. "My advice to other young teenagers is to begin the journey in any sport, as everyone has the power to succeed." Mrs Crick said "We are hoping to make a live link to the competition during lessons. However, if his father cannot do this he has said that he will video the event so that this can be shown to the school when he returns. "We are incredibly proud of everything Joshua has achieved and how he conducts himself as a young man. It is such an amazing achievement to get this far and the whole school is behind him as he takes part in this major competition."

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL HOMEWORK CLUB STARTS

Monday 20th September, we start our before and after school homework clubs. All students have been sent an email with a link to sign up for the sessions running. Students wishing to attend must book onto the sessions before attending. Anyone who has not had the email should speak to their form tutor who will contact IT support. Before school sessions run Monday - Friday 8am-8:35am, and the after school sessions run Tuesday-Friday 3pm-5pm.

REMINDERS:

- Have you signed up for class charts? Email speters@speters.org.uk
- Follow us on social media for updates and news



HOMework



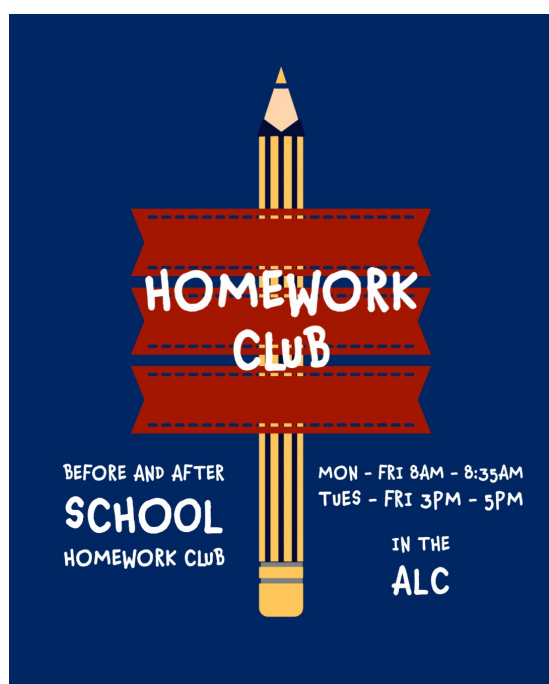
To follow up on the information shared in last week's bulletin, please see below the link to the full policy [here](#).

Mr Mclean is in the process of producing a series of short videos aimed at supporting Year 7 students, as well as parents and carers, to access key features of Google drive and Google classroom. These will appear on the school website over the next few days.

We look forward to sharing examples of outstanding homework produced by students in the near future.

Marking and Feedback at St Peter's.

Thank you to all who attended and gave feedback at the 'Meet the Principal' events. We would like to share further information and feedback, as this was a common topic of discussion across all 4 events. Please look out for the Marking and Feedback information in next week's bulletin.



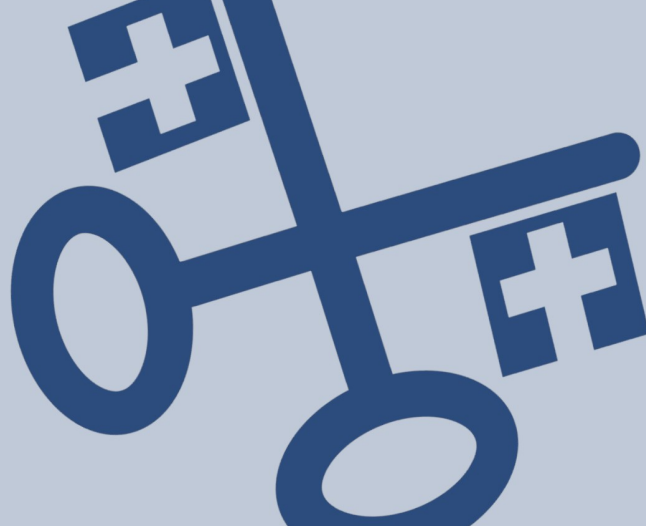
PARENT PARKING REMINDER

A Polite reminder: Please be considerate when collecting your children from school by organising a suitable pick up point, ideally a short walk away. Parking on the school drive, on the turning circle or on residential streets in the immediate area is resulting in blockages and is potentially dangerous for students who are walking home. Many thanks for your support in this matter.



REMINDERS:

- Monday 20th September Year 12 Team building day



ARE YOU THE NEXT ADAMA TRAORÉ?



Premier League Kicks Sessions

TUESDAYS:

- Mini Kicks, ages 8-12
WWFC Foundation Arena, Aldersely Rd, WV6 9NW, 6.30pm - 8.00pm
- Girls Hub, ages 8-18
WWFC Foundation Arena, Aldersely Rd, WV6 9NW, 6.00pm - 7.30pm

WEDNESDAYS:

- South Side Sports, ages 8-13
All Saints Road, WV2 1EL, 6.00pm - 7.00pm
- South Side Sports, ages 13+
All Saints Road, WV2 1EL, 7.00pm - 8.00pm

THURSDAYS:

- Heath Town Football Courts, ages 8-18
Long Ley, WV10 0HH, 5.00pm - 6.00pm

FRIDAYS:

- WWFC Foundation Arena, ages 8-18
Aldersely Rd, WV6 9NW, 7.00pm - 9.00pm
- City of Wolverhampton College, ages 9-13
Wellington Road, 7.00pm - 8.00pm
- City of Wolverhampton College, ages 12-18
Wellington Road, 8.00pm - 9.00pm

SATURDAYS:

- WWFC Foundation Arena, ages 8-18
Aldersely Rd, WV6 9NW
7.00pm - 9.00pm

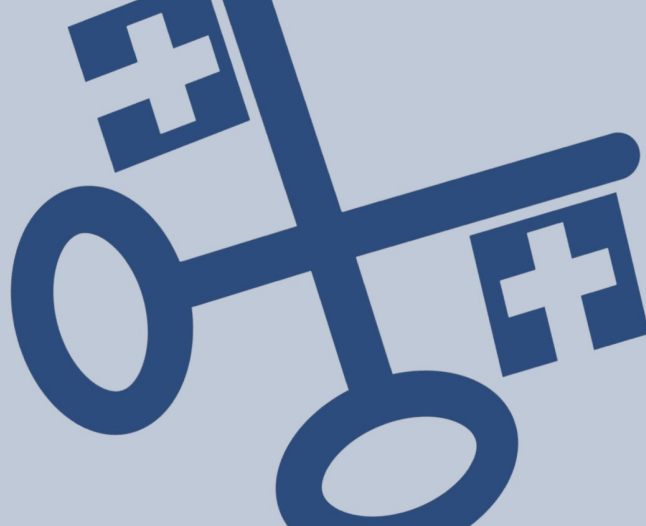
For more information, email
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Foundation

REMINDERS:

- Our school visions, ethos and values are all on the website [here](#)



DEMOCRACY DAY 2021

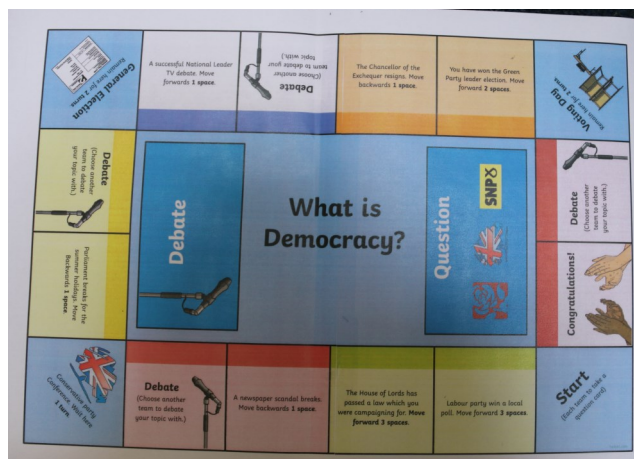
Celebrating International Day of Democracy

On Wednesday, we celebrated International Day of Democracy as a school as part of our mission to develop students' cultural capital. The day began with the reading of an extract from Nelson Mandela's pivotal 'I am prepared to die' speech during form time. Students then experienced different aspects of democracy in a variety of subject areas e.g. propaganda in Art, the Suffragette movement in RE, voting statistics in Maths and democratic systems in Business to name just a few.

Comment from Year 9 student:

Today, we learnt all about democracy as it was International Day of Democracy. I was taught about the Suffragettes, about the stances of the present UK political parties and about world democracy. Overall, it was a great day because it reminded us how important the right to vote is and that we do not live in a dictatorship. It enabled us also to ask questions about the democratic process so when we do vote we know what we are doing.

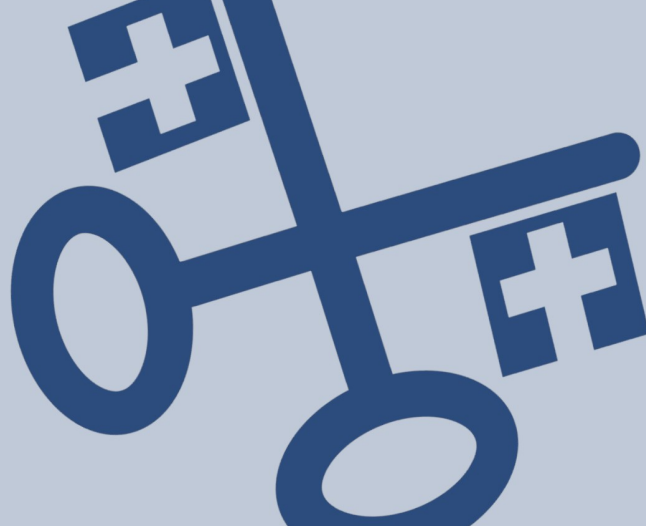
[Watch Nelson Mandela's speech here](#)



[Learn more about International Democracy Day here](#)

REMINDERS:

- Our Christian Union meet weekly in the school chapel, if you wish to join them speak to Mr Maggs the school chaplain



YEAR 12 TEAM BUILDING DAY – MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

This Monday we host the year 12 team building day at school. The event delivered in collaboration with the UK's leading provider of Mobile Activity Days – WISEUP students will take part in a number of activities throughout the day. We realise that for students starting 6th form the most crucial element is meeting new people. Making new contacts can be tough, particularly when coming in from different schools. Our 6th form activity and team building days offer the perfect ice breakers. We bring participants together as they learn new skills whilst working in teams.

WISEUP have a great selection of indoor and outdoor team building activities, specifically chosen for larger groups of young adults of differing ages and capabilities. More advanced versions of all of our activities are available. Additionally we have older year specific sessions which incorporate many of the soft skill sets needed in future employment. [The Hub Challenge Video can be seen here](#)



6th Form Activity Days

CRICKET, PUNJABI FOLK DANCE AND SHARING A BIRTHDAY

When it comes to sport at St Peter's we pride ourselves at being the best we can (just ask Mr Marston). Year 9 student, Zayne Sharma has certainly set his targets high wanting to emulate his hero Sachin Tendulkar. Tendulkar is widely regarded as one of the greatest batsmen in the history of cricket, hitting over 30,000 runs playing international cricket.

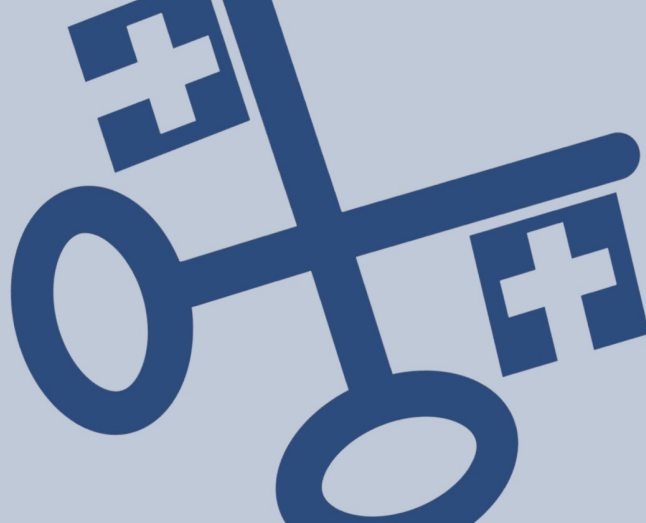
Zayne who shares the same birthday as the famous Indian cricketer dreams of playing for Warwickshire one day.

[Watch a short BBC video on Zayne here](#)



REMINDERS:

- Information on our curriculum offer can be found [here](#)



SPORTS RESULTS

FOOTBALL SCORES

Year 9 | St Peter's 5 – 5 St Edmunds

Year 8 | St Peter's 11 -3 St Edmunds

Year 7 | St Peter's 5–3 St Edmunds

NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Year 11,12 &13 vs Health Park (away)

Year 8 vs Heath Park (away)

Year 10 vs Walsall Academy (home)

Under 14's Girls vs Selly Park Girls (home)

Year 8 vs Wolverhampton Grammar (away)

Year 7 vs Wolverhampton Grammar (away)





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"Staff encourage pupils to become self-confident and independent learners through developing skills as well as knowledge and understanding."

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Open Evening

Wednesday 29th September 2021

18:00 - 20:00

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Matthew 7: 12

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