

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



I hope all families enjoyed their half-term break and managed to have some rest away from the fast paced life that we all lead.

It has been great to have the students back this week and as usual there has been a real 'buzz' as they have gone about their learning.

I have noticed that black Nike trainers have started to creep back in some cases and wanted to remind all parents that these are not allowed to be worn alongside school uniform. Your support with this is really appreciated.



I am very conscious that as we progress through this half-term it gets darker much earlier and we all have a responsibility to ensure that our children are safe travelling home.

It is for this reason that I am altering the School detention system slightly until February half-term in the first instance. The latest finish time for detentions during this time will be 15:30.

I am always conscious that when I provide information about detentions, some parents might ask 'Where are the rewards?' for our brilliant students.

I hope you will also be able to see from this issue of the bulletin that we are constantly trying to find ways of celebrating achievements, with the particular focus currently being on the Star Student Scheme.

Let's hope it's an excellent half-term that will culminate with the opportunity for all students to visit St Peter's Church towards the end of December and with this, a further step towards returning to normality.

HAPPY DIWALI

Diwali is the five-day Festival of Lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world.



Diwali, which for some also coincides with harvest and new year celebrations, is a festival of new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness. The festival is usually some time between October and November, with the date changing each year.

This year Diwali takes place over five days from 2 November to 6 November with the main day of celebration on Thursday 4 November. Happy Diwali and Bandi Chhor Divas to everyone celebrat-

ing today and over the coming days. Our city's motto declares, 'out of darkness cometh light' and so may this time be filled with much light and happiness.

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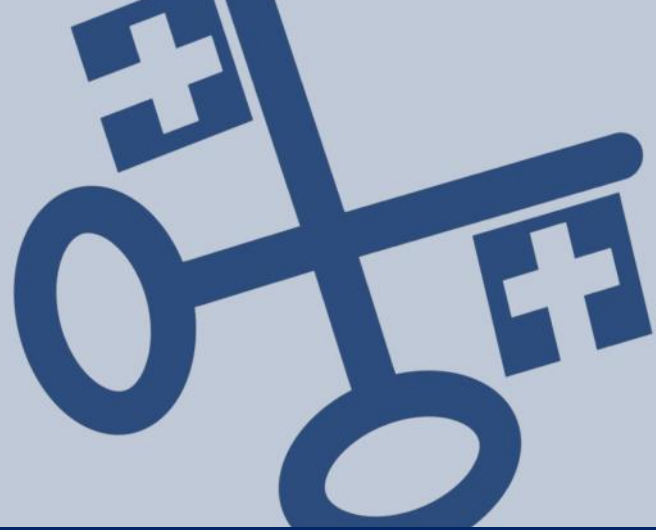
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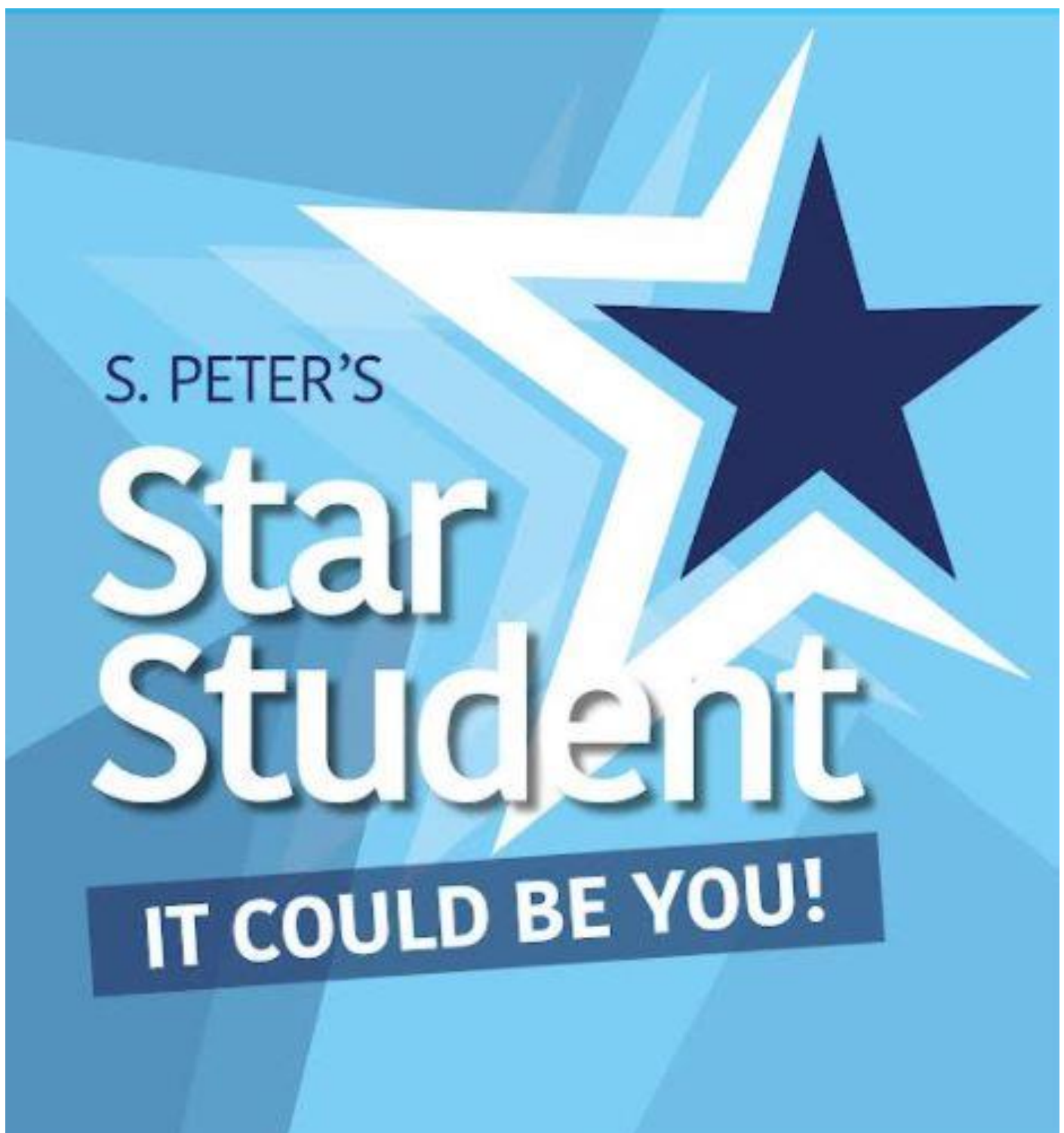
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STAR STUDENT AWARDS

Star student returns this year after COVID resulted in the pausing of the reward system. The scheme which allows staff to reward pupil achievement with star cards each lesson. These cards are put into a ballot box. The winner and runner up will be drawn at the end of each half term.



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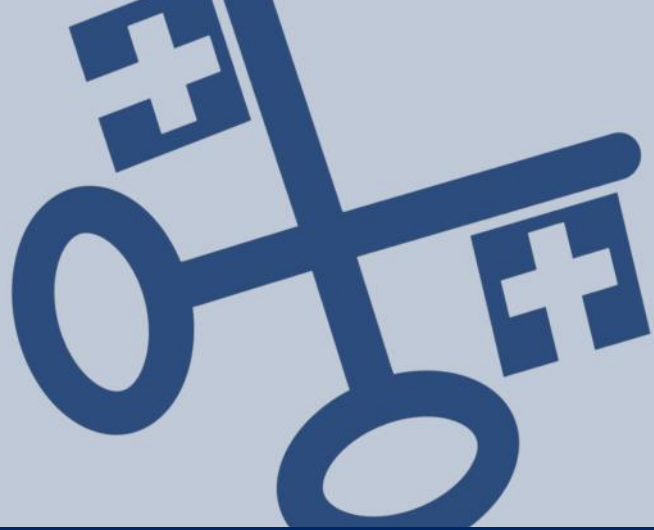
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NEW DETENTION SYSTEMS

DETENTION SYSTEM STARTING 15/11/21

St Peters Collegiate Academy believes that in order to facilitate teaching and learning, good behaviour is essential.

IF YOUR CHILD RECEIVES A DETENTION

THE 25 MINUTE DETENTION WILL TAKE PLACE THE FOLLOWING DAY AT LUNCH*

IF YOUR CHILD MISSES THIS DETENTION

YOUR CHILD WILL RECEIVE A 30 MINUTE AFTER SCHOOL DETENTION STARTING AT 3PM ON FOLLOWING THURSDAY**

IF YOUR CHILD MISSES THIS DETENTION

YOUR CHILD WILL RECEIVE A 30 MINUTE SLT DETENTION THAT FRIDAY AT 3PM**

*STUDENTS WILL HAVE LUNCH AFTER THE DETENTION

**A TEXT WILL BE SENT HOME BY 3PM THE DAY BEFORE THE DETENTION

LATE DETENTION SYSTEM STARTING 8/11/21

St Peters Collegiate Academy believes that in order to facilitate teaching and learning, good attendance is essential. Pupils cannot achieve their full potential if they are regularly late to school.

IF YOUR CHILD IS LATE TO SCHOOL

YOUR CHILD WILL RECEIVE A YELLOW 'DETENTION' SLIP FROM A MEMBER OF STAFF IN RECEPTION

YOUR CHILD WILL BE EXPECTED TO ATTEND A 25 MINUTE SAME DAY DETENTION AT LUNCH*

NON ATTENDANCE WILL RESULT IN YOUR CHILD RECEIVING TWO SEPARATE 25 MINUTE DETENTIONS

* IF YOUR CHILD IS LATE TO SCHOOL THREE TIMES IN ONE HALF TERM A LETTER WILL BE SENT HOME

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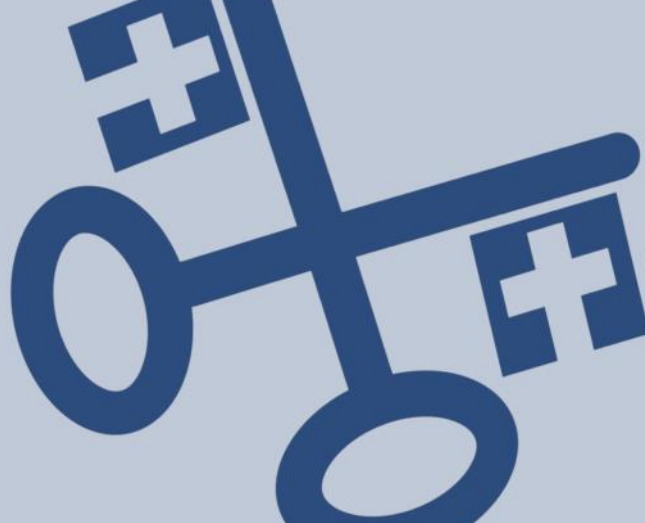
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YEAR 7 FOOTBALL SUCCESS CONTINUES

Congratulations to the Year 7 football team who won 5-1 on Wednesday against the Royal school and are into the semi finals of the Wolverhampton Schools' cup!

THEATRE TRIP INFORMATION

A gentle reminder that payment and permissions for the Year 7 theatre trip to see 'Alice in Wonderland' are due today. If you haven't paid/returned your permission slip yet, please do so as a matter of urgency.

STUDENTS COMPETE IN CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the 45 students who represented St Peter's at the Wolverhampton Schools' Cross-Country Championships at Highfields before half term.

It was fantastic to once again be able to attend in such high numbers and with great strength and depth as well. In cold and blustery conditions, students completed a challenging course, ranging from 1.9 to 3.2km in length. The first 3 runners back in each event contributed to the team scores and St. Peter's came away with top 3 places in 5 out of the 7 team events. There were outstanding individual performances from Athletics captains Beth D and Leo T in year 13, both winning their respective races, and from Bodhi and Megan in the year 8/9 races.

These students along with six other St Peter's students who finished in the top 6, were selected to represent Wolverhampton at the West Midlands Schools trials and hope to be selected for the West Midlands Schools Cross-country team for the Dave Sunderland Inter-Counties event on 20th November. Thank you to all those who participated and made the school proud. Next up in Athletics will be the series of Wolverhampton Sports Hall Athletics competitions in January.

Team results

Year 7 girls - 3rd place

Year 8/9 boys - 1st place

Year 8/9 girls - 2nd place

Year 10 girls - 1st place

Year 12/13 boys - 1st place

Individual medals

Beth D - 1st place Y12/13 girls

Leo T - 1st place Y12/13 boys

Bodhi S - 1st place Y8/9 boys

Megan W - 2nd place Y8/9 girls

SIXTH FORM APPLICATIONS

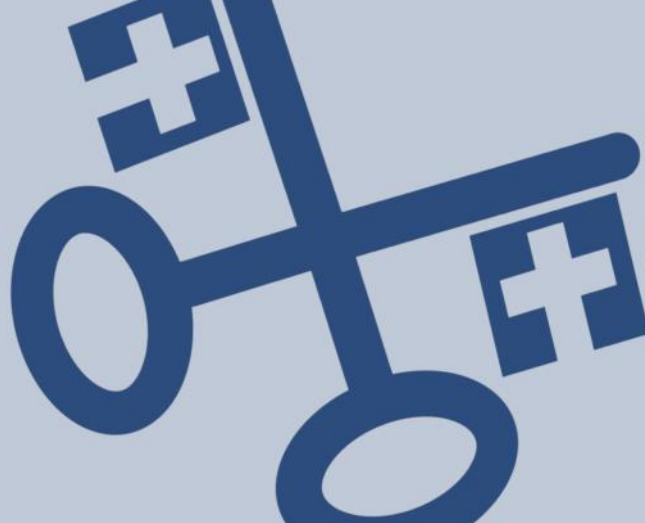
Thanks to all of the parents and carers who joined us for our Parents' webinar on enrolment last night. The application form for sixth form will go live on our website on Monday.

MATHS ENRICHMENT SESSIONS UPDATE

Year 7-10 Maths Challenge and drop-in support will run on Wednesdays after school with Miss Warburton and Mr Gilhooly.

ENRICHMENT

- [Click here to view our full enrichment timetable](#)



MRS STANLEY WALKS 100 MILES

Huge congratulations to Mrs Stanley who has raised nearly £700 in aid of Breast Cancer by walking over 100 miles in October.

MUSIC ENRICHMENT

We were thrilled to be able to put on a summer concert in the Sports Hall towards the end of the summer term, albeit a socially distanced one! We welcomed an audience of 80 to see Big Band, Choir, String Ensemble and A Capella group perform. It was fantastic to hear such a high standard of music-making and it was certainly a fitting send off for the year 13 leavers.



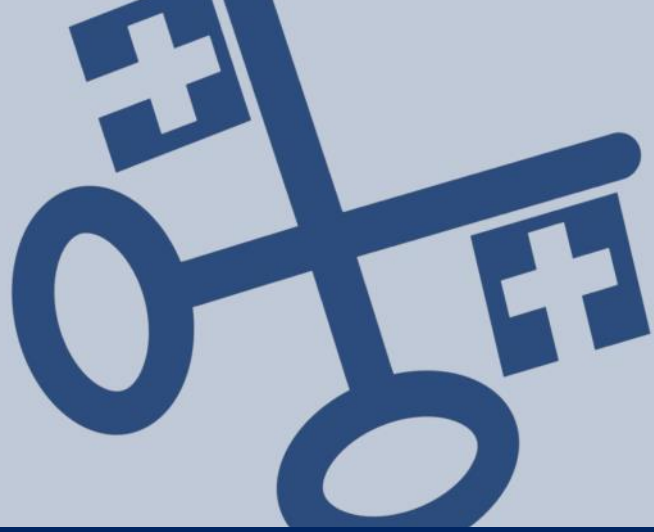
A full music extra-curricular timetable is now up and running following the restrictions brought about by COVID. Please encourage your son/ daughter to come along if they are interested and not already. We are looking to increase numbers so new members will be very welcome. Please speak to Mrs Lacey if you need any information regarding extra-curricular music.

Monday 3-4pm	Senior Choir Any Y8-Y13
Tuesday 12.10-12.35pm	Year 7 Choir Any Y7
Tuesday 3-4pm	Training Band Y7-9 Woodwind/ Brass/ Percussion players
Tuesday 3-4pm	Big Band Invitation only
Wednesday 12.35-1pm	A Capella Group Invitation/ Audition only
Wednesday 3-4pm	Concert Band Y10-Y13 Woodwind/ Brass/ Percussion players.
Friday 3-4pm	String Ensemble Any year – string players of grade 2+ standard.

REMINDERS:

We are so incredibly proud of our students and their achievements in school but we are also aware that there are lots of wonderful things they are doing outside of school that we don't know about. We would love to hear all about these achievements.

[Fill out this form here](#)



COP26 – A PIVOTAL MOMENT IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE

COP26 is an annual event being held in the UK this year which is believed by many to be the world's last chance to bring the ever-growing issue of climate change under control.

For almost three decades, the UN has been uniting almost every country on earth to attend global climate summits, which are called COPs (standing for Conference of the Parties) over the period of which climate change has escalated from being an unconvincing issue to an unsurpassable extremity across the globe.

This year will be the 26th summit, giving it the name COP26, with the first ever COP being held in Berlin, Germany in March, 1995. COP Presidency typically rotates among the five recognised UN regions - Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, Central and Eastern Europe and Western Europe and Others - although there is a tendency for the venue to shift among these groups.

With the UK acting as the President for this year's climate conference, COP26 will be held in Glasgow,

In the period running up to COP26, the UK has been working with all countries and to reach joining forces with civil society, companies and people on the frontline of climate change to inspire coordinated action following the summit, and settle upon an agreement for how they will each contribute to the management of climate change. World leaders as well as tens of thousands of negotiators, government representatives, businesses and citizens have arrived in Scotland prepared for twelve days of conferences between 31 October and 12 November 2021.

COP26 currently has four key goals:

- To secure global net zero by mid-century and keep 1.5 degrees within reach by reducing emissions.
- To adapt in order to protect communities and natural habitats from climate change.
- For developed countries mobilise climate finance to countries that need it.
- To work together to complete plans and deliver goals.

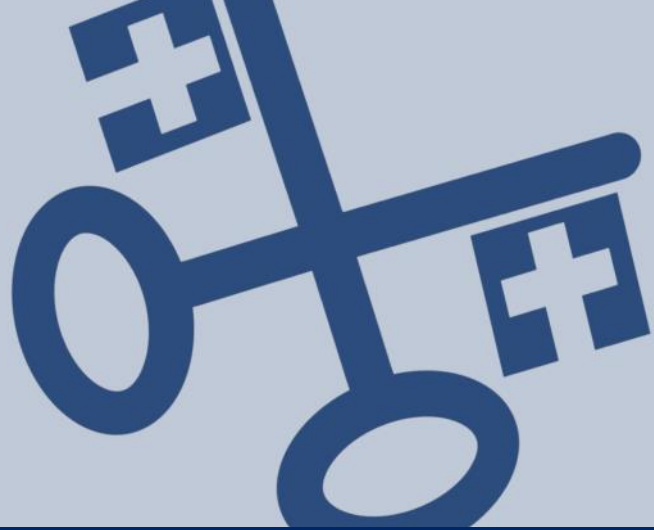
How these goals will help make a difference

Around the world, storms, floods and wildfires are intensifying, while air pollution is negatively affecting the health of tens of millions of people as unpredictable weather causes never-ending damage to homes and livelihoods.

Although the impacts of climate change are so catastrophic, advances in tackling the issue can already be seen to be making a difference by leading to cleaner air, creating good jobs, restoring nature, and at the same time unleashing economic growth.

REMINDERS:

- Encourage your child to take regular COVID tests at home.



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Despite the many opportunities available to combat climate change, we are not acting fast enough. In order to handle this crisis, countries need to join forces urgently, and work together to bring climate change under control and prevent circumstances from worsening further.

Climate change is a substantial challenge that we must overcome and reverse the devastating effects of, and we hope that COP26 will result in decisions and commitments that will have a positive impact to save our planet.

To read more about COP26 and climate change, visit the [UN Climate Change Conference \(COP26\)](#) website.

By – Harleen Nahal

SIXTH FORM PASSPORT

Year 12 student, Mia, has been completing her felting picture and has started floristry techniques in her 6th Form Passport Enrichment session this week. Her first ever floral creation is now brightening up our reception area. How lovely that the work of our students is now welcoming our visitors!



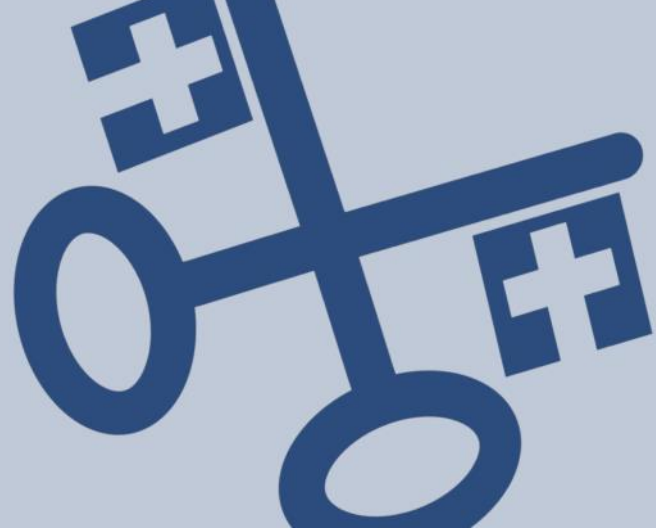
READING WIDELY AND OFTEN EXTRACTS

[DIWALI EXTRACT](#)

[EXTRACT 7](#)

REMINDERS:

- Do we have your latest contact details?
If these have changed please email
speters@speters.org.uk with the new details.



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March 2022

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All extra-curricular musicians will be receiving letters before half term.

REMINDERS:

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



SPORTS RESULTS

BASKETBALL Year 8/9 St Peter's 58-31 KINGS
FOOTBALL Y9 St Peter's 3-2 South Bromsgrove
FOOTBALL Y7

FIXTURES COMING UP

Year 9 Football vs Gospel Oak
Year 7/8 Basketball vs Thomas Telford
Year 10 Football vs Redhill
Year 7/8 Basketball vs St Mathias
Year 10/11 Basketball vs St Edmunds