

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



The entire week has been overshadowed by the tragically sad events that took place on Monday afternoon. I can report that our student, who was the victim of the attack on Newbridge Crescent is improving in hospital and when I spoke to him and mum yesterday it was nice to listen and to laugh with him.

It has shocked everyone in the school community to the core. Whilst I am so grateful to the amazing staff and members of the public, who were on the scene and administered first aid, I am also incredibly grateful to all the professionals for their support this week in the subsequent days. It has also been heartening to receive so many messages of support from the parent body and the community as a whole.

I cannot pretend to understand the incident itself or the reasons for it, like all other colleagues who enter into our profession, I see only children.

We will be working alongside students to continue to try and keep them safe. This will include education regarding knife crime, safe use of social media, social responsibility and even emergency first aid. It is also very likely that we will soon be undertaking a lockdown practice in school. This is something that schools nationwide have carried out and although St Peter's has not previously done this, I think the time has come. We will write to parents ahead of this practice.

Can I please urge parents and carers to check that they have provided the school with the correct contact details this week, and plea for those parents who haven't signed up to the Class Charts App to do so – it is vitally important that we can contact you quickly in an emergency situation.

I would like to wish everyone a restful and safe half term, please take care.

We thank you Lord God that in times of trouble, when we reach out to you, you are our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains crumble. (Psalm 46:1)

Jesus, through your death and resurrection we can know true hope in our lives. Therefore, help us to be joyful in that hope, patient in suffering, and persistent in prayer. (Romans 12:12)

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

CONTACTS

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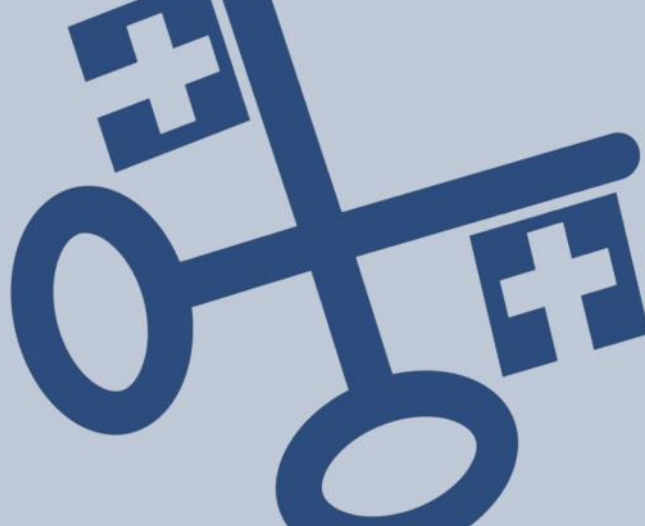
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COVID VACCINATIONS

After half term the NHS will be offering COVID-19 vaccinations to children aged 12 to 15 years of age.

As you know, we have been working hard to keep our school and our community safe this school year. The main purpose of the COVID-19 secondary schools' vaccination programme is to provide protection to the children who are vaccinated and to reduce the disruption to face to face education.

COVID-19 is a very infectious respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus. Very few healthy children and young people with COVID-19 infection go on to have severe disease.

The decision to vaccinate is down to you as the parent/guardian/carer, and your child. I understand that you will have questions about the vaccine and the process.

[Click here to read a full letter regarding vaccinations](#)

FULL UNIFORM RETURN

From Monday 28th February students will no longer be allowed to wear their PE kit into school. Students need to arrive at school every day in full school uniform. This change is to help safeguard our students.

Students need to bring their PE kit in their school bags and will change at the start and the end of their PE lessons.

Parents can you make sure that your child attends school in the correct uniform.

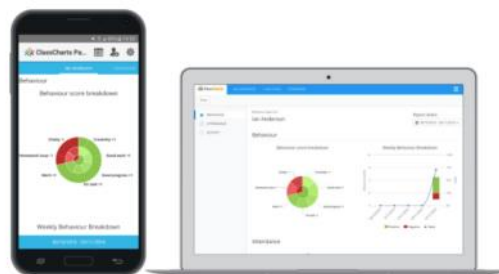
[See link to full Uniform list](#)

CLASS CHARTS

At St Peter's we use an application called Class Charts to help you keep track of your child's achievements, access behaviour reports, attendance and track scheduled detentions.

If you have more than one child at the Academy, you can use the same parent account to view achievement data for all your children. Class Charts for parents can be accessed via the Class Charts website on any web browser from any device, or using your iOS and Android apps.

[To register complete this form](#)



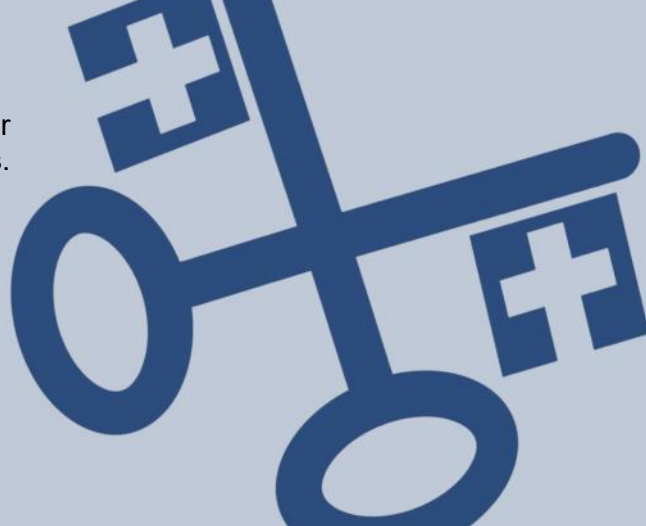
ROTARY CLUB AWARD

Year 12 student Nathaniel Wardroper Hughes has won Wolverhampton Rotary Clubs Young Musician of the year award for 2022. The prestigious accolade is aimed at giving talented young musicians a chance to showcase their musical skills. Well Done Nat!



REMINDER

All students should be taking two Lateral Flow COVID tests per week. We advise these are done on Wednesday and Sundays.



SPORTS FIXTURES AND UPDATES

At the final evening of the girls football league, the Year 7 and 8 girls demonstrated just how much they have progressed over the last 5 weeks, with a fantastic 1-0 win over Highfields A. All members of the squad contributed to the game, holding on to an early goal from Lois. Player of the match was the goalkeeper, who was immense in goal on her return from injury, giving a solid keeping performance to ensure a clean sheet and distributing the ball fantastically to provide attacking opportunities for her team mates. It has been a pleasure to take all members of the squad over the last 5 weeks. They have represented the school with great commitment, attitude and sportsmanship. We're looking forward to seeing them continue to develop. Well done to the whole squad.

Our Netball teams in Year 9/10 and Year 11 had tough games this week against well-drilled teams from the Royal. Year 9/10 had a really competitive match, staying with 1-2 goals for the first three quarters before losing 14-9 by the end of the game. This was the first time some of these players had played together and the first match most players had played in two years so to run the Royal so close was a significant achievement. Players' player of the match was Pippa T and Mrs McGlynn's player of the match was joint between Harriet for a dominant and non-stop play at centre, often breaking down play and transitioning the ball into attack. Well done to Megan for scoring the majority of the goals too.

Year 11 braved Storm Dudley but suffered a 23-1 defeat to a combined Y11/12/13 team from the Royal. Despite the loss, the cold and the soaking wet feet, all players did St Peter's proud and played with such enthusiasm, positively and sportsmanship throughout. Not once did they complain about the conditions. Well done to entire team.

In Basketball Academy the week didn't get off to a great start with our year 7 team losing 22-10 to Heath Park, Mr Anderson wants more year 7 students to take part in the Academy during lunchtime.

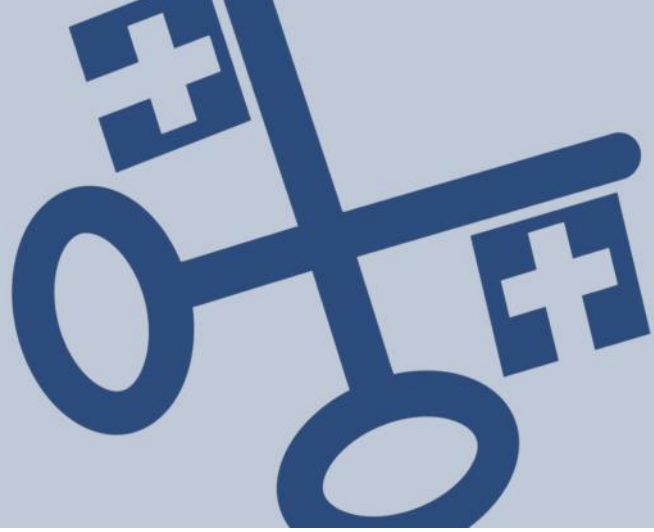
On Wednesday the story was very different with our year 11 and 6th form team dominating a fixture against Wolverhampton Grammar 44-10. This team is starting to gel nicely with a big shout out to the whole team!

The Year 8 team goes from strength to strength with a landslide victory over OLSC 60-10, this team should be competing for national honours very soon!



SPRING TERM DATES 2022

- **Term Time:** Tuesday 4 January 2022 – Friday 18 February 2022
- **Half Term:** Monday 21 February 2022- Friday 25 February 2022
- **Term Time:** Monday 28 February 2022 – Friday 8 April 2022
- **Inset Days:** Wednesday 2 March 2022 (half day following Ash Wednesday Eucharist) | Friday 8 April 2022



KEY DATES

- 18/02/2022 - Break up for Half Term
- 28/02/2022 - Return to school
- 01/03/2022 - Sister Act Performances
- 02/03/2022 - Ash Wednesday Eucharist & Half Day Inset
- 02/03/2022 - Y10 Review
- 04/03/2022 - Business Language Champions
- 07/03/2022 - National Careers Week
- 07/03/2022 - 6th Form Elevate
- 07/03/2022 - Y11 Mocks Week
- 09/03/2022 - Y13 Mock Results
- 10/03/2022 - Y10 Parents Evening
- 15/03/2022 - Elevate session Y10
- 23/03/2022 - Y9 Review 2
- 28/03/2022 - Y8 Assessment week
- 29/03/2022 - Y13 EPQ Presentations