



**St Peter's C.E. (VA)  
Junior School**  
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Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to all our pupils, parents and carers. We have had a lovely start to the school year and all pupils have had the opportunity to view the brand new lower school buildings. If this is something you would also like to do there will be an opportunity next Wednesday evening when the school is open from 4pm for our Maths and Literacy curriculum evening.

**Staffing news:**

We are delighted to have two new members of teaching staff with us. Both Miss Rowley in Y3 and Miss Kalirai in Y4 have worked hard to set up their teaching areas alongside established members of staff.

**Buildings update:**

Since May the school has had some major building work carried out, making the very out of date 'lower block' into amazing state of the art classrooms! As a school we have been very impressed with our builders who worked incredibly hard over the summer to ensure we could move in on time. There have been so many improvements it would be impossible to list them...so I hope you will be able to attend our curriculum evening next week, which will be held in the lower block.

**Curriculum evening, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September from 4pm to 6pm**

As last year the school will be holding a 'drop in' session where parents are invited to come into school and talk to staff about all aspects of the core subjects of maths, reading and writing. These sessions will all be held in the new classrooms. In the bottom block, writing and reading will be in Miss Rowley's classroom and maths in Miss Sidaway's classroom. We will also open the new classroom on the playground (Mr Fishwick's) and you will be able to buy refreshments here if you wish to. We hope primarily you will be able to drop in to discuss aspects of the important core subjects. You are welcome however to use this opportunity to visit our newly refurbished areas.

**Painting aprons:**

In order to protect your child's uniform during art activities we provide them with an adult shirt. Our stocks are now depleted as many were thrown out during the refurbishment. Therefore could you please provide an old adult shirt for your child to bring to school this year. Ideally, cut the sleeves to the correct length and write their name on it somewhere. However, they do not have to have their own apron, we are happy to have any donations of old adult shirts so we can distribute them across the school. A child without their own will just wear one available. Thank-you.

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### **Pop connection:**

During the week of October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 'pop connection' will be in school teaching children a range of fun, dynamic songs, alongside their normal curriculum. At the end of the week the school hall will be transformed into a recording studio and the children will record a cd of the songs. We are sure you would like to hear and see your child's involvement so to that end there will be a celebration concert on the evening of Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October. So that we don't disappoint in terms of attendance the concert will take place in St. Peter's Church. That way parents, carers, and any other family and friends will have an opportunity to buy a ticket. When tickets are available from the school office we will send out a separate letter.

### **Dinner monies**

The dinner money for the next half term will be £64.00 for the half term (£10 per week). Please make cheques payable to Derby City Council. All monies should be sent in a named envelope or purse, on Monday mornings, **in advance**. If you wish your child to change from dinners to sandwiches, or vice versa, please give 2 weeks notice in writing and send the letter to the school office. At the last meeting of the school Governors, it was agreed that dinner monies must be paid to school on Monday of each week. If a child does not bring in any dinner money after a two week period, then the school will contact parents/carers to provide sandwiches for their child's lunch or collect them from school and take their child home for the lunch time period.

### **Dates for your information**

Thursday, 15 September	Church Service
Monday, 10 October	Book Fair in school this week
Friday, 14 October	Pop connection concert
Wednesday, 19 October	Individual school photos. Family photos from 4pm
Thursday, 20 October	Y6 visit to The Holocaust Centre
Friday, 21 October	Break up for half term
Monday, 31 October	INSET Day
Tuesday, 1 November	School re-opens for children
Tuesday, 8 November	Parents evening
Wednesday, 9 November	Parents evening
Wednesday, 16 November	Year 2 Open afternoon for parents
Friday, 18 November	5W visit to Donington Le Heath Manor
Tuesday, 22 November	Y4 curriculum afternoon for parents
Wednesday, 23 November	5L visit to Donington Le Heath Manor
Thursday, 24 November	Y6 curriculum afternoon for parents
Thursday, 1 December	Y5 curriculum afternoon for parents
Friday, 2 December	Y3 curriculum afternoon for parents
Wednesday, 7 December	Y5/6 Christmas performance 2pm and 7pm
Monday, 12 December	Y3/4 Carols around the tree 2pm
Tuesday, 13 December	Y3/4 Carols around the tree 2pm

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Y3 visit to Derby Theatre  
Church Service  
Year 3/4 Christmas party  
Year 5/6 Christmas party  
Break up for Christmas Holidays

## **2012**

Thursday, 5 January 2012  
Friday, 27 January 2012  
Friday, 10 February  
Monday, 20 February  
Friday, 30 March  
Monday, 16 April  
Thursday, 31 May  
Friday, 1 June  
Monday, 11 June  
Monday, 25 June 2012  
Friday, 20 July

School re-opens for pupils  
INSET Day  
break up for half term  
school re-opens for pupils  
break up for Easter holidays  
school re-opens for pupils  
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INSET Day  
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INSET Day  
school breaks up for summer holidays

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