



NEWSLETTER

19th December 2025



ST PETER'S RC
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Parents and Carers,

As the Advent season has unfolded, pupils have deepened their understanding of the Nativity story, learning about the birth of Jesus and its lasting message of hope, peace, and love. They have explored the prophecy and promise of the Old Testament, heard accounts of Jesus' birth from the different Gospels, created Christmas cards and artwork, taken part in concerts and services, and played, prayed and celebrated together.

We hope you will agree that our Christmas concerts, including children from Nursery to Year 4, were a great success. The pupils and staff members made substantial efforts to prepare the acting, narrating, dancing, and singing in their dramatic retelling of the Christmas story. The concerts in the Main Hall were further enhanced by our new lighting system, which has been part-funded by your previous generous donations at concerts and PTA fundraising.

As always, the annual Advent Service at St Peter's Church was a very special event. Our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils conducted the service with reverence and joy, complemented by beautiful singing and music. Thank you to those who joined us at St Peter's Church. When you elected to send your child to our school, we made promises to you that we would be committed to providing the best possible education and care for your child. We also ask for commitment from families in taking part in events and services that take place in the school day and outside of usual school hours, and we are grateful to all those who honour this commitment and understand that such experiences are a valuable and essential aspect of making St Peter's a very special community.

Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day are always highlights for the pupils, and it was wonderful to see the children enjoying their lunch and having great fun with their friends. Our Foundation pupils made a fantastic effort with their Christmas hats and Junior pupils thoroughly enjoyed decorating their dinner tables. We thank our brilliant kitchen staff for preparing the delicious Christmas dinner and for their work throughout the year.

We finished this week with a beautiful Christingle service, led by our Chaplaincy group, and parties in our classrooms, where pupils enjoyed games, dancing, and spending time with their friends. Foundation pupils were treated to a visit from Father Christmas, who shared a gift for all, donated by the PTA. We thank Mrs Bengough and the PTA for their incredible work in helping to develop our school community and for their much-needed fundraising throughout the year.

We saw in our Christmas concerts that Jesus was visited by the Magi, and St Peter's also received a visit from wise friends from Estyn earlier this term. [The Estyn inspectors provided a letter that was sent to parents](#) a few weeks ago, but I wish to share with you two comments that were made during the visit but not included in the letter. One inspector said that our children are remarkable in their behaviour and manners, and that they had never before visited a school where pupils welcomed visitors with such warmth and confidence. We were delighted to receive this feedback, but we also hear similar comments from visitors in most months during the year. This is due to your work as parents and our work in being intentional in how we teach pupils the importance of excellent manners and effective communication skills. The second comment was that St Peter's is "an exceptional school". We agree.

Wishing you all a Happy and Holy Christmas and look forward to seeing you in 2026.



PRAYER FOCUS

Dear God,
Thank you for this special Christmas season.

Help us to be kind, caring, and thankful for the people around us. Bless our school, our families, and everyone who needs a little extra hope and joy.

May we share peace, friendship, and love with one another this Christmas and always.

Amen.

Chaplaincy Senedd Group



FAREWELLS

This week, we have bid fond farewells to two valued members of school staff. Mrs Sun will be returning to China with her family in the new year, we wish her all the best for the future.

Our PE teacher Miss Hill is leaving St Peter's after 12 years. We thank her for the light, enthusiasm and expertise she has brought to the school. She will be missed by pupils and staff alike. Please join us to wish her well with her new venture. Miss Hill has asked to pass on these words:

It has been an absolute privilege to teach at St Peter's, working alongside such wonderful staff, beautiful pupils and a truly special community. I am so overwhelmed and grateful for the kindness shown through the thoughtful cards and gifts. I wish everyone every happiness for the future. St Peter's is a very special place, and I am incredibly proud to have been a part of it. Merry Christmas.



NON UNIFORM DONATIONS

We are very grateful for your continued support with our monthly non-uniform days. Your generosity makes a real difference to those in need. The act of giving reflects our Gospel values, by supporting these charities selected by our Mission Senedd Group, we live out Jesus' teaching to care for others and share what we have. We are thrilled to share with you how much and where your donations have been shared.

February 2025 - £165.60
Teenage Cancer Trust



March 2025 - £174.64
Mary's Meals



April 2025 - £167.25
Help for Heroes



May 2025 - £147.36
British Heart Foundation



July 2025 - £109.43
World Wildlife Fund



October 2025 - £145.03
Sickle Cell Society



November 2025 - £159.63
Diabetes UK



We have shared any letters of thanks received on our website, you can also view them by clicking [this link](#).

RECEPTION 2026 ADMISSIONS

Applications for admission to primary schools are made directly to the Council through their online admissions system. You **ONLY** need to complete the Council's application form to apply for a place at St Peter's.

This link will take you to the Council's admissions page
www.cardiff.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

DIARY DATES

Thurs 15 Jan	Y4b Class Assembly
Thurs 29 Jan	Y1a Class Assembly
Thurs 12 Feb	Y3b Class Assembly
Mon 16 Mar - Wed 18 Mar	Y6 Llangrannog Residential
Mon 13 Apr - Wed 15 Apr	Y5 Manor Adventure Residential
Fri 01 May	INSET Day
Mon 04 May	Bank Holiday
Mon 20 July	INSET Day

The staff would like to offer thanks for all your generous Christmas gifts and wishes. They also express their thanks for your on-going support throughout the term. Diolch yn fawr iawn.



WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

68	79
84	100

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

The views of parents and carers are very important to us and are a key aspect of our self-evaluation processes.

Would you please tell us what you think about St Peter's School by completing this survey using [this link](#). The responses to the questionnaires will help us to reflect on what we are doing well and what you think needs to be improved. Diolch!



We raised an incredible

£3300

**at our Christmas Fayre and
Raffle**



**A big thank you
to the following for supporting
us...**

P. Collins plumbing and heating

Jump Cardiff

Lisboa Cafe

Tesco

Asda

Bute Park Christmas Lights

New House Country Hotel

Smyths

Castell Howell

The Gym Group

De La Sun Tanning Salon

The Barber Group

Franco Street Food...



**and to all our wonderful staff, parents & carers
for their continued generosity.**

Merry Christmas!