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NEWSLETTER

19th September 2025



CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING FOCUS



Our Catholic Social Teaching focus this half term is Care of Creation.

God has given us the wonderful gift of the world, and it is our responsibility to look after it. Caring for creation means noticing the beauty around us, protecting animals and plants, avoiding waste, and treating the earth with respect so that everyone – now and in the future – can enjoy it.

Going forth:

This week, let's all choose one small way to care for God's creation. You could:

- Pick up litter and put it in the correct bin
- Switch off lights when you leave a room
- Reuse and recycle wherever you can
- Spend a moment thanking God for the beauty of nature

Let's remember: every little action makes a big difference in showing love for God's creation.

6b CLASS ASSEMBLY

Mr Heade's Year 6 class will be leading the school in Worship on Thursday 25th September 2025 at 10.20 am.

Parents and carers are welcome to join us. Please use the Elm Street gate ONLY for entry, from 10.15 am. The gate will be closed when assembly begins.

PRAYER FOCUS

Loving God,
Thank You for the world You made –
for the sun, the sky, the sea,
for animals, plants, and people.

Help us to care for Your creation.
Teach us to be gentle with the earth,
to use only what we need,
and to share Your gifts with everyone.

May we always remember
that when we care for the world,
we show our love for You.
Amen.

HEALTHY SNACK

St Peter's is proud to be a 'Healthy School' Please provide your child with a piece of fruit or vegetable to eat during their morning break each day.



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

At St Peter's we are very lucky to have school staff who are willing to share their skills with pupils, in their own time. Below are details of exciting activities available for our older pupils. To book, please click on the link. Spaces may be limited and will operate on a first come, first served basis. Please log into ParentPay and click on 'pay for other items' (there is no charge for these activities).

NETBALL CLUB- Years 5 and 6
Mondays 3.30 pm - 4.30 pm
(First session Monday, 29th September)

RUGBY CLUB - Years 5 and 6
Thursdays 3.45 pm - 4.45 pm,
Harlequins Rugby Field, CF23 5AS.
(First session Thursday, 25th September)

DIARY DATES

Fri 26 Sept	PTA AGM
Mon 29 Sept	Welcome meeting for Y2, Y5 & Y6
Thurs 25 Sept	Mr Heade's class assembly
Tues 30 Sept	Welcome meeting for Reception & Y4
Wed 01 Oct	Welcome meeting for Nursery & Y3
Thurs 02 Oct	Welcome meeting for Y1
Thurs 09 Oct	Mr Green's class assembly
Mon 20 Oct	School Photographs
Thurs 23 Oct	Miss Houston's class assembly
Fri 24 Oct	INSET Day
Mon 16 Mar - Wed 18 Mar	Y6 Llangrannog Residential
Mon 13 May - Wed 15 May	Y5 Manor Adventure Residential
Mon 04 May	Bank Holiday
Mon 20 July	INSET Day

WELCOME MEETINGS

During the week commencing Monday, 29th September, we will be inviting parents and carers into the classrooms.

It will be a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher, see the classroom and the exciting plans for your child during the next academic year.

Meetings will take place in the classrooms at 3.30 pm, days will be confirmed as soon as possible.

Nursery - Wednesday 1st Oct
Reception - Tuesday 30th Sept
Year 1 - Thursday 2nd Oct
Year 2 - Monday 29th Sept
Year 3 - Wednesday 1st Oct
Year 4 - Tuesday 30th Sept
Year 5 - Monday 29th Sept
Year 6 - Thursday 2nd Oct



Y6 LLANGRANNOG



Mon 16th - Wed 18th March 2026

We have made a booking for a residential visit to Gwersyll Yr Urdd, Llangrannog, this is open to all pupils in Year 6.

An email has been sent to parents/carers of pupils in Year 6 with further details. Please contact the school office for a copy. Payment is via ParentPay.

Y5 MANOR ADVENTURE



Mon 13th - Wed 15th April 2026

We have made a booking for a residential visit to Manor Adventure, this is open to all pupils in Year 5.

An email has been sent to parents/carers of pupils in Year 5 with further details. Please contact the school office for a copy. Payment is via ParentPay.

CORPUS CHRISTI HIGH

OPEN EVENING

Corpus Christi Catholic High School are holding an Open Evening for current Year 6 pupils on Thursday, 2nd October between 4.00 pm and 6.00 pm.

There is no booking required.

GUITAR & UKELE LESSONS

Lessons are available through the County Music Service.

To take part, your child will need to have their own instrument: ideally a 3/4 size guitar fitted with nylon strings.

Lessons take place every week either in a group lesson or an individual 15, 20 or 30 minute lesson.

You can find out more about costs and enrolling for lessons on the county music service website www.cfmusiceducation.co.uk or email us at cfmusiceducation@cardiff.gov.uk

NO DOGS ON SITE

A reminder to all attending the school. Dogs are not permitted on school site, this includes dogs being carried.



ST ILLTYDS OPEN EVENING

St Illtyd's Catholic High School are holding an Open Evening for current Year 6 pupils on Thursday, 16th October between 5.00 pm and 7.00 pm.

There is no booking required.

PARENT WHATSAPP GROUPS

Parents of children across most schools in the UK enjoy the convenience and support of being part of a parent 'WhatsApp' group.

Early in this academic year, I would like to ask that parents of St Peter's children use these groups responsibly and always 'THINK' before they post a comment within the group.

These groups can be helpful for busy parents to remind each other about things like non-uniform days or to check something that was on a previous newsletter (which are available on our website). They should NEVER be used as a platform for posting about other children or staff members and this also applies to all types of social media.

If you have a concern about anything related to the school, including the actions of pupils or staff members, please contact the school directly. We want to know about anything that is bothering you.

Last year, we had instances of parents posting about other children and staff members at the school. Please think about how it would make you feel if negative comments were made about your child or your relative in a work place. Parent groups can have over 50 members, and messages posted in frustration or anger can result in others joining in. As you read this, I am sure that you agree that this type of behaviour is not acceptable and that you wouldn't want to be involved with such actions.

If you do have a concern or complaint, please take one of the following actions:

- Send an email to Mr Rein via the school office.
- Speak to Mr Rein or Mrs Clark in the playground.
- Call the school office and ask for an appointment.
- Speak to your child's teacher at the end of the day once all pupils in that class have been collected.

I am sure that we would all like to ensure that children and staff members feel safe coming to school or work every day. We each have a responsibility to ensure that St Peter's School is a happy learning environment where all are helped to thrive.



CARDIFF COUNCIL SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION INFORMATION

If you have a child currently in year 6 you will need to apply for a place in a secondary school this autumn.

Make an application

- Applications open on Monday 22 September 2025. The closing date for applications is Monday 17 November 2025. Applications received after this date will be considered after all the on time applications have been assessed. Many schools fill up in this first round of allocations so it greatly increases your chance of being allocated one of your preferences if you apply on time.
- We strongly recommend that you apply for 5 different schools (or 3 if solely applying for Welsh medium education) and that you include the school that you live nearest to.
- Whilst living in a catchment area can help your child's chances of receiving an offer of a place at the school (if applied for), there is no guarantee this will be possible. You can check your catchment area Community Schools for your address at www.cardiff.gov.uk/onlinemaps
- We will allocate you the highest preference that we can. Some schools will be oversubscribed in which case we will use the published oversubscription criteria to allocate places up to the number of places available at that school. If you fall outside this number we will look at your next preference. Therefore it is important to express as many preferences as you can (up to the maximum of 5) as you may be able to secure a school in the first round that will not be available in subsequent rounds. Be sure to answer all the questions in the application process fully. These answers (such as details of older siblings, or medical/social issues your child may have) can influence your eligibility for a school place. If you don't tell us we don't know.
- Cardiff community schools do not operate a feeder system. Attendance at particular primary has no bearing on how likely we are to be able to offer a particular secondary school. This may not be the case for our co-ordinated admissions partner schools (see below) please check their oversubscription criteria as they differ from the Council's.
- Whitchurch High (Foundation) School, Bishop of Llandaff CW High School, Corpus Christi RC High School, Mary Immaculate RC High school and St Teilo's CW High School are part of our co-ordinated admissions scheme. If you are applying to Bishop Llandaff CW High School, Corpus Christi RC High School, Mary Immaculate RC High School or St Teilo's CW High School, you will need to apply online AND complete and return their supporting form, otherwise it will not be possible to accept preferences for those schools. Please note: St Illtyd's RC High School are not part of this scheme. If you would like for your child to attend this school, you will need to apply directly to the school. You can make changes to your application up to the closing date, but if you do be sure to press 'Submit' on the final page when you are happy with your application. Applications left unsubmitted at the point the system closes cannot be accepted.
- If your child is the subject of a statement of special educational needs or is undergoing a formal assessment you are still required to submit an application for your preferred school places. You will be notified of your child's proposed school place by the Achievement and Inclusion Service as soon as possible.
- If you would like support with your application, assistance is available at Council Hubs or via your Primary School. You can find the locations and opening hours of the hubs at www.cardiff.gov.uk/hubs

What happens next?

- You will receive the outcome of your application on Monday, 2 March 2026. You will need to accept or reject an offer of a place by Monday, 16 March 2026. If we have been unable to offer you a place at one of your preferred schools, you may submit a new application for one of the alternatives proposed by Monday, 16 March 2026.
- Should you not receive an offer for your highest preference school on March 2, you will remain on a waiting list and will be contacted if there is a change of circumstances.
- Any places that parents reject in the first round will be reallocated in subsequent rounds. If you are on a waiting list for a place, your application will be reconsidered if places become available.
- You must tell us if you move house between receiving your offer and the beginning of term in September 2026. A change of address might affect your entitlement to your school place and / or your position on a waiting list, hence you should tell us as soon as possible so that we can discuss your options.

More information can be found in the 'School admissions booklet 2026/27' which is available at www.cardiff.gov.uk/schooladmissions

TERM	TERM BEGINS	HALF TERM BEGINS	HALF TERM ENDS	TERM ENDS	NO. OF SCHOOL DAYS
AUTUMN 2025	Monday 1st September*	Monday 27th October	Friday 31st October	Friday 19th December	75
CHRISTMAS BREAK Monday 22nd December 2025 - Friday 2nd January 2026					
SPRING 2026	Monday 5th January	Monday 16th February	Friday 20th February	Friday 27th March	55
EASTER BREAK Monday 30th March 2026 - Friday 10th April 2026					
SUMMER 2025	Monday 13th April	Monday 25th May	Friday 29th May	Monday 20th July	65
CLOSURE DAYS					
Monday 1st September 2025			INSET day		
Tuesday 2nd September 2025			INSET day		
Friday 24th October 2025			INSET day		
Monday 4th May 2026			Bank Holiday		
Monday 20th July 2026			INSET day		
Further INSET days will be advised when confirmed					





AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

TUESDAY

Football (Yr 3-6) 3.30 - 4.30PM

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