

Summer 2025 - Newsletter 5

Messages From Mr Hitchcock...



Living life to the full!

I know I've already said how busy this term has been—but it's also been brilliant to be right in the thick of it. In just the last few weeks alone, we've had our fantastic Year 6 London residential and an energetic Sports Day (more on both below). On top of that, we've managed to squeeze in an author visit, times tables checks, phonics screening (with our highest results ever!), the Reception and Nursery picnic, a whole-school art workshop, and our new Reception parents meeting—no wonder we're the most popular school around!

A big thank you to the PTA for putting on the comedy night last Friday—it sounded like a hilarious evening.

And there's still more to come! Please see the important note below about our Estuary Fun Run. Over the next couple of weeks, we're looking forward to the art exhibition (pop into the Venture Hall tomorrow after school to see it), Year 5 and 6 beach days, our involvement in the Budleigh Music Festival (did you catch us on ITV? Take a look here:

<https://www.budleighmusicfestival.co.uk/>), our Summer Music Showcase, and of course, the all-important Summer Fayre—a week on Saturday!

Finally, I can't quite believe how successful our Fundraising Challenge has been! Please make sure all sponsor money is in—I'll be announcing the grand total later this week. A huge thank

you to everyone who's played a part over the past few weeks—there are lots of shout-outs below!

What's Coming Up Next...

Don't forget to check the **NEED TO KNOW** page every Sunday, to check for events coming up in school that week

You can access it by clicking the following link <https://st-peters-school.org.uk/class-info/>

IMPORTANT INFO - Estuary Fun Run on Monday



As part of our fundraising campaign and outdoor learning, each year group will be taking part in the Otter Estuary Fun Run on Monday 7th July. This exciting event combines geography, PE, and community spirit, as children complete a short estuary walk, a geography session, and a 2km fun run with their year group.

Key Information:

- All children will walk to and from the estuary with their teachers.
- Reception pupils will need to be collected from the Cricket Club at the end of the day (3:30pm).
- Year 2 and Year 3 will have a picnic lunch at the estuary, so please send them in with a packed lunch that day.
- -If you want to help out on the day, walking children down and back to the cricket club, please let us know (admin@sps1.org.uk). Class timings below.

What your child needs to bring/wear:

- PE kit
- Suitable footwear for walking and running (e.g. trainers)
- A sun hat
- A refillable water bottle
- Sun cream (please apply before school)
- A packed lunch if in Year 2 or 3 (they are there for the lunchtime slot)

We are really looking forward to this unique and memorable day for the children. There is no charge for this event. If you know a business that would like to sponsor a class, please let us know. Thank you for your continued support!

Departure times from school (can you help?)

9:00 Year 6

9:30 Year 5

10:00 Year 4

11:00 Year 3

11:30 Year 2

12:00 Year 1

12:30 Reception

Year 6 – What a London Adventure!

A huge well done to our incredible Year 6 pupils for their unforgettable four-day residential in London. We are so proud of the way they represented St Peter's—staff and public were full of praise for their respectful behaviour, positive attitude and genuine curiosity. Staying away from home is a big step, and they embraced every moment with maturity and enthusiasm.

Highlights included the magical atmosphere of *The Lion King* at the Lyceum, a memorable visit inside the Houses of Parliament, and the teamwork shown throughout the trip. They also spotted many famous sights and took in a lot of culture.

A heartfelt thank you to the staff team who gave their time, energy, and care to make the trip so special—and thank you to parents for your kind messages of appreciation. What a brilliant way to end Year 6!



Wow – what a Sports Day!

That was one of the most competitive events we've seen in a while. The running was outstanding, once again highlighting the impact of our daily run. The skills stations also reflected the fantastic attitude and aptitude of our pupils. Most impressively, the sportsmanship on display was exceptional – it was wonderful to see the children cheering each other on, offering help, and celebrating one another's efforts. A real demonstration of our Good Samaritan values in action.

A huge thank you to Mr Murray, Mr Newing, and all the staff for organising such a brilliant day. And as for Archie... I've got a feeling he'll beat me soon.....

Thanks for coming and supporting us.



Fundraising challenge is going soooooooo well!

We are so close to our target of £3000 - which is £10 per child (raised from outside of their usual family group!). There is now a deadline of the end of the month for all monies to be in. Then, those that have raised the most, will get first pick of the jobs when they take over the school.

Isla is a great example of the amazing efforts of our pupils - check out what she's done here - https://www.justgiving.com/page/50-5-5-triathlon-challenge?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM&utm_campaign=015

Jacob's latest effort here: https://www.justgiving.com/page/louise-summers-5?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=018

The link to the online fundraising collection is here:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/pupilsruntheschool?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=015

Thank you for your continued support—and good luck to all our young fundraisers!

See more amazing pupils below!



1 - Rudi, Edward, David, Beth & Millie hiked 13.5km to the two highest tors on Dartmoor and raised £1192 - amazing!!



2 - Aria raised £77 by litter picking! Thank you!



3 - Wolfe and Loxley sold books outside their home, raising £32.20! Thank you!



4 - Connie and Piper ran 8km and raised £177.20! Thank you!



5 - Isla raised a whopping £559 doing 50 lengths (swimming), cycled 5 miles and ran 5km! Amazing effort!



6 - Isobel and Ernie raised £80 selling macrame bracelets and artwork!



7 - Benji completed a 50km bike ride and raised £135! Thank you!



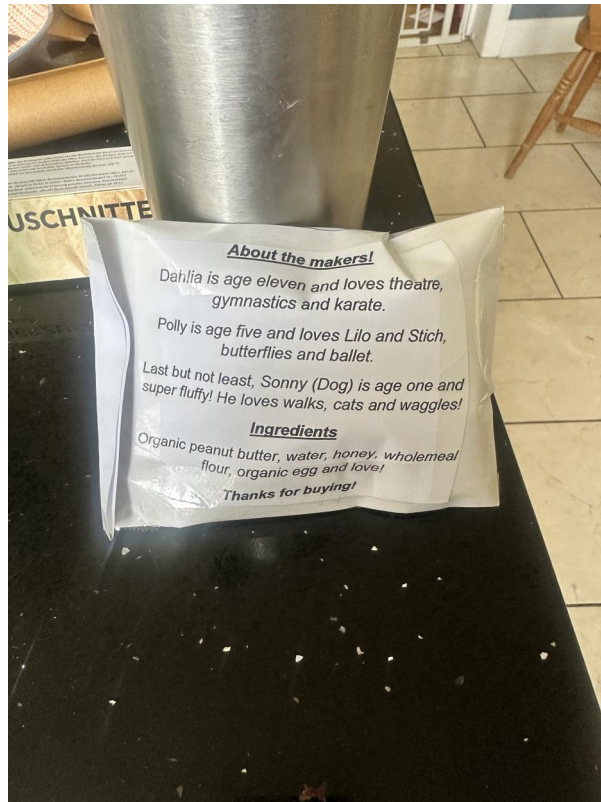
8 - Penelope completed a 10 mile sponsored bike ride and raised ... - thank you!!



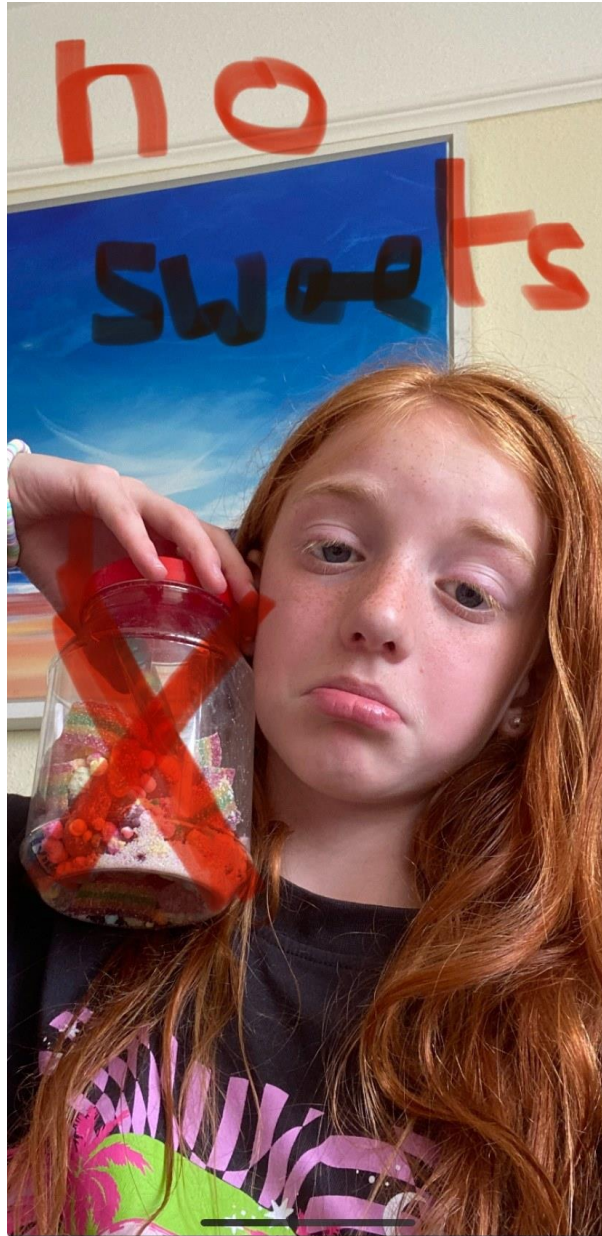
9 - Immie raised £75 by completing a six mile bike ride! Thank you!



10 - Osian and Jack performed with their guitars and raised £10 each! Thank you!



11 - Dahlia and Polly raised £54.50 selling home made dog biscuits! Thank you!



12 - Jemima raised £350 by giving up sweets! Thank you!



13 - Ava raised £210 by giving up the iPad! Thank you!



14 - Ivor and Frida raised £115! Ivor ran 8 miles, Frida cycled 8 miles! Thank you!



15 - Jacob did a driathlon! Thank you!

Girls Football...



16 - Well done to the girls for the great game they played against Withycombe! Jemima was player of the match for her excellent work and scoring a cracker at the end! Next up: St Jos!

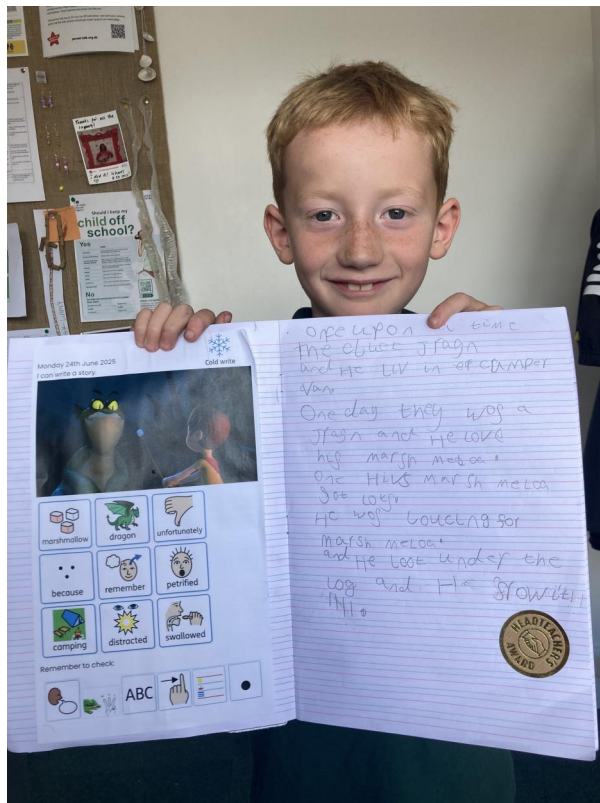
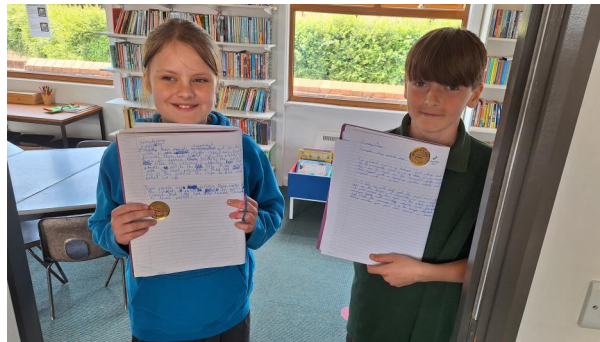
Who's Who? Miss Louise Martyn.

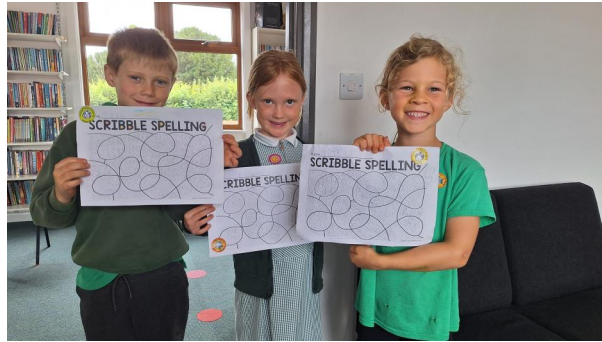


Miss Martyn has been with St Peter's school just under 2 years as a Teaching Assistant; having previously been a Care assistant for 10 years. She is from Devon (and never left!) but also has family connections in Cornwall, Stoke on Trent and Canada. Her favourite teacher at school was her secondary school french teacher Madam Phillips (who liked to be called Mad-man Phillips). She was very enthusiastic about the subject and made everyone laugh. Miss Martyn has always had a passion for Art and Drama and these were her best graded subjects at school. She also studied photography for 2 years at Exeter College. She has worked in Years 1, 4 and 6 in her short time at St Peters and also provides diabetic care for pupils. She enjoys working across the school and getting to know as many pupils as possible. Her favourite lesson to teach is phonics and seeing how eager the Year 1's are to learn. Favourite adult book: Blood and gold by Anne Rice. Favourite Children's book: The hungry Caterpillar and Room on the Broom by Julia Donaldson. Miss Martyn's favourite things to do in her spare time are finding new places to walk with her two dogs, gardening, foraging and spending time with her partner and two children. She has found working as a teaching assistant very beneficial to help support her own children's education. Her one wish is that all schools can have swimming and forest school facilities just like St Peter's.

Headteacher Awards...









What's Been Happening In School...

This morning, Beech & Chesnut came together to learn about guide dogs and did different activities linked to that topic. The children made a Lego assault courses for guide dogs & their owners that some of the children made (plus a doggy garden by Reggie). Then the children got into pairs (one pretended to be the dog, the other the owner) and practised an obstacle course outside! A lot of fun was had by all!







Drumming workshop!!





Wow, what an absolutely fabulous day we've had at The Sideshore Sea Safety Project. The sun shone, the sea swimming was great fun and we learnt such a lot about how to keep safe and look after our environment.

The environmental science lead commented that "St Peter's yr4 s were a real credit to the school. I have been a part of this project for two years and these children were the most attentive, focused and their science knowledge and environmental concern was amazing."

We are all very proud of our pupils and would like to thank Bernie Rhodes, Jane Hushon and their team for working tirelessly to allow us to be a part of this important project.

A big cheer also goes to the lovely Mrs Billingham and Mrs Millman, plus Ffion Morgan for volunteering to assist us as well.



The whole school was treated to a printing workshop by Double Elephant - it was so much fun! Here are some of pictures from Chestnut class!





Pupil Celebrations...

Well done to...Eddie, Dylan & Sollie, Edward & William, Karlotta, Budleigh Dynamos (Tommy, Alfie, Keoni, Macaulay, Ollie, Harrison, Jackson, Joey)



17 - Well done to Eddie who got player of the session at Saints South West and his Budleigh U9 team were runners up at the Buckland annual U9s tournament out of 14 teams!



18 - Well done to Dylan and Sollie whose football team won the South-West Saints plate final on Tuesday evening. A competitive match with some great play from all the team and a sneaky goal by Dylan!



19 - Well done to Edward and William who had their end of season football presentation where they both received a medal for all of their efforts this year playing for Exmouth Town U7s! Edward also received a medal for 'most improved player of the year!'



20 - Well done to Karlotta who scooped a Copper U9 medal and 2nd AA at the Devon Championships



Budleigh Dynamos Awards Evening – Tommy Frost, Alfie Rowsell, Keoni Maguire, Macaulay Hutchinson-White, Ollie Elliott, Harrison Morgan, Jackson West, Joey Gavagan

21 - Budleigh Dynamos end of season awards! Brilliant effort by all the boys!

Coming Up In The School & Community...

Jumble Sale

Budleigh Public Hall

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BOOK NOW!

Mondays:
28th July, 4th, 11th & 18th August

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TIMES:
STANDARD - 8:45AM - 3:30PM
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2025 Dates:

WEEK 1 - 28th - 31st July
WEEK 2 - 4th - 7th August
WEEK 3 - 11th - 14th August
WEEK 4 - 18th - 21st August
WEEK 5 - 26th - 28th August

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BOOKING LINK - <https://www.primary-sports.co.uk/events/2025/07/28/the-beacon-primary-school-summer-camps-2025>

More Information: marcus@primary-sports.co.uk / 07976979202

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ages 8 - 12

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