

Summer 2025 - Newsletter 6

Messages From Mr Hitchcock...



End of Term Update

What a week! The Estuary Fun Run was a brilliant success – the children enjoyed a fantastic outdoor lesson from the Pebblebed Rangers, then showed amazing endurance running the 'yellow brick road'. Special thanks to Debbie Newsom (our very own Nemo!), Budleigh Cricket Club for hosting us, and our generous sponsors: Emma Heath Soft Tissue Therapist & Pilates Instructor, Budleigh Carnival Club, and St Peter's Church Loaves and Fishes. Please see below for more of the amazing opportunities our pupils receive.

Free Disco!

Thanks to their incredible fundraising efforts, all children have earned a *free* end-of-term disco! You still need to book a ticket here so we know numbers:

👉 <https://www.stpetersfundraising.co.uk/events-and-tickets>

Summer Fayre – Volunteers Still Needed!

Please support our Summer Fayre *tomorrow*, 12–3pm. We still need help with setting up, running stalls, and tidying up. Every pair of hands makes a difference! 👉 Sign up here: <https://volunteersignup.org/3MQDE>

Pupils Run the School – Roles Allocated

Most roles have now been allocated, with priority given to our top fundraisers – thank you all for your enthusiasm! Selected pupils will plan their day with me next week. It's going to be fun... and safe!

Reports & Results

Pupil reports are coming home today. I'm incredibly proud of all our pupils – their academic progress and personal development shine through every comment. We've also had some of our best-ever results in phonics, Reception assessments and Year 6 SATs. Year 6 families will receive SATs results next week.

Class Info – September 2025

Next Wednesday, pupils will find out their new class for September, and parents will receive an email the same day. With our uneven year group sizes, mixed-age classes are necessary. My priority is that each child is with at least one friend, and that classes are balanced for learning and wellbeing. Please trust the process – we do a lot behind the scenes to ensure a smooth transition, especially for those with additional needs.

Can You Help Nursery?

Do you have any *offcuts of artificial grass*? We'd love to use them in the Nursery outdoor area – please get in touch if you can help.

Thanks for your continued support,

Steve Hitchcock

Headteacher

UNDER THE STARS DISCO

Monday 21st July 2025

KS1 (Nursery, R, Yr1, Yr2) – 5:30 – 6:15

KS2 (Yr3–Yr6) – 6:30 – 7:30

Yr6 ends at 8:30

Free Entry!

Dress code: Galaxy colours (optional)

Food: Tuck shop £1.00 or 50p

Karaoke available

Calm Room

Come and enjoy a night under the stars

Run by: Eloise, Evie, Bels, Skye, Isla and
Hettie

1 - Free! (Money needed for tuck shop)





2 - Our amazing girls football team played against St Joseph's. Thanks Miss Burch for her excellent coaching!

VERY IMPORTANT ONLINE SAFETY ALERT...

We have recently been made aware of a WhatsApp group titled **“Add everybody you know”** that is circulating inappropriate and explicit content, including images, memes, and videos.

Unfortunately, it has come to our attention that some children within local school communities may have been added to or are participating in this group.

This raises several serious safeguarding concerns, including:

- The sharing of unmoderated and potentially harmful content
- Exposure of children’s personal information to unknown individuals
- Increased risk of grooming or exploitation due to the group’s open and indiscriminate nature

We strongly encourage you to take the following actions:

- **Check your child’s WhatsApp activity today** to ensure they are not part of this group. If they are, please remove them immediately.
- **Talk to your child** about the importance of staying safe online, including not joining unknown or unmoderated groups.
- **Remind them** never to share or forward inappropriate material, and to speak up if they see anything online that worries them.

As a school, we will also be following up with pupils to reinforce these messages and support them in making safe choices online.

Thank you for your continued support in helping to keep our children safe.

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/>

Fundraising challenge is going soooooooo well!



3 - Ariella and Elijah have raised £340 by giving up chocolate and iPad for a month! Thank you!



4 - Jacob completed a triathlon and raised £252 and counting! Thank you!



5 - Eddie completed 1km swim and raised £83! Thank you!



6 - Piper and Oaklyn raised £22.71 selling bracelets! Thank you! They also raised £100 a while ago selling cakes!



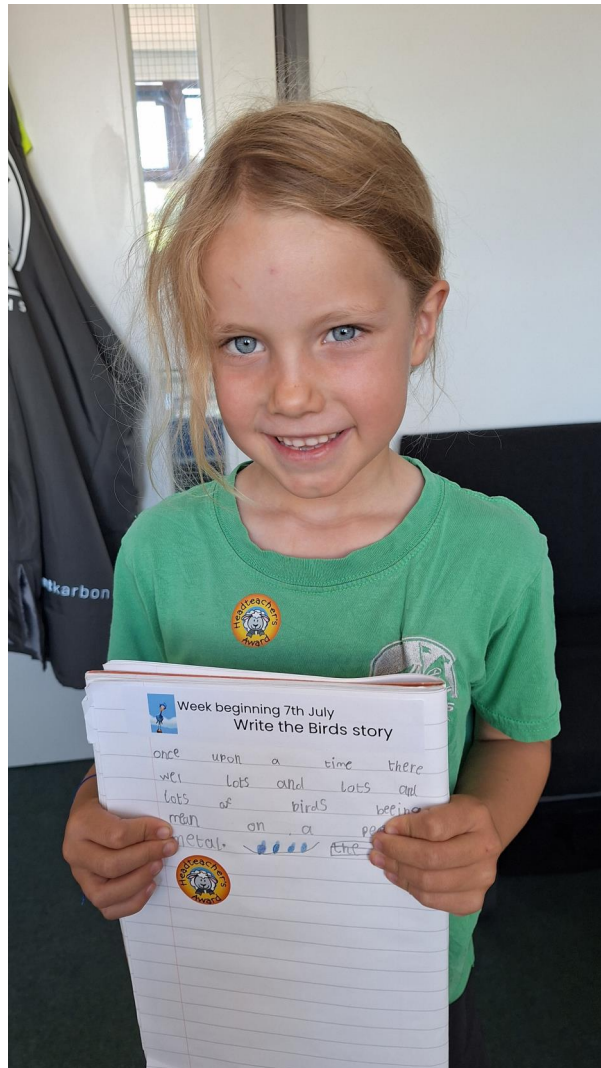
Who's Who? Mrs Marie Openshaw...



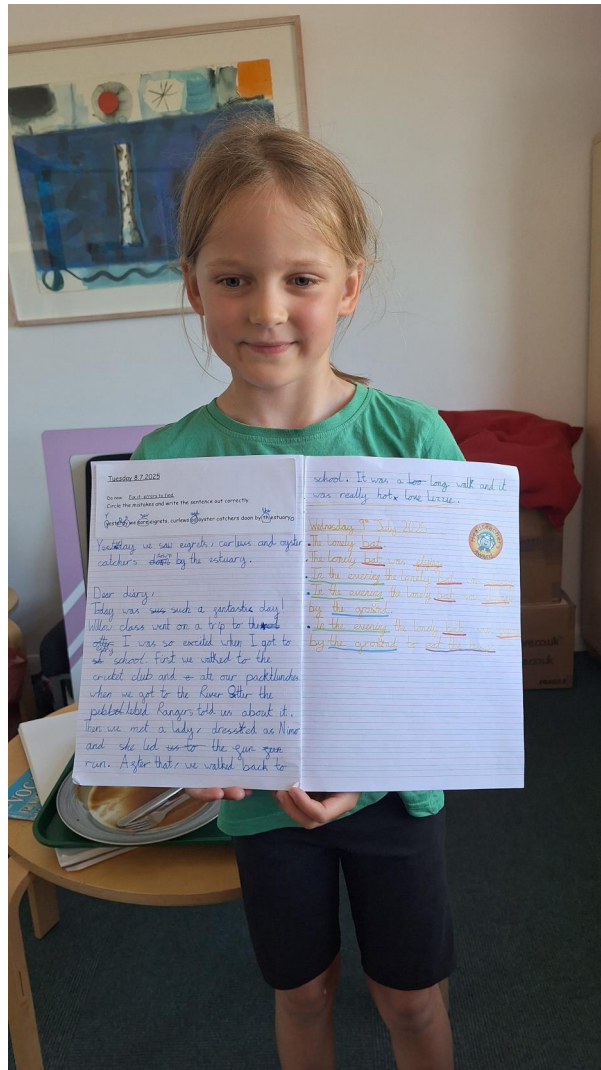
Mrs Openshaw has been at St Peters for two years, and she loves it here! She brings with her 25 years of early years care experience, working her way into senior roles. Marie joined St Peters in our nursery, and travelled into reception to follow the children's journeys in their first years here. She has enjoyed teaching phonics and watching the children's progress. A great journey to be a part of! Reading is a massive passion of hers, which is why she is so fabulous at reading to the children. Her favourite children's books are anything by Julia Donaldson (Giraffes can't dance a particular favourite, as her most favourite animal is a giraffe) For her reading, she likes a good "Who's done it?" storyline, but she'll read almost anything! In her spare time she likes being with her family; husband James, and 2 children Austen and Henry. She enjoys going on adventures and being a bit of a daredevil (she has

done a skydive and the zip line Across the Eden Project and even has a boat she keeps on the beach!). If Mrs Openshaw had one wish that she could grant for the school, she would wave her magic wand and Grant a whole set of sparkly new classrooms for everyone to enjoy!

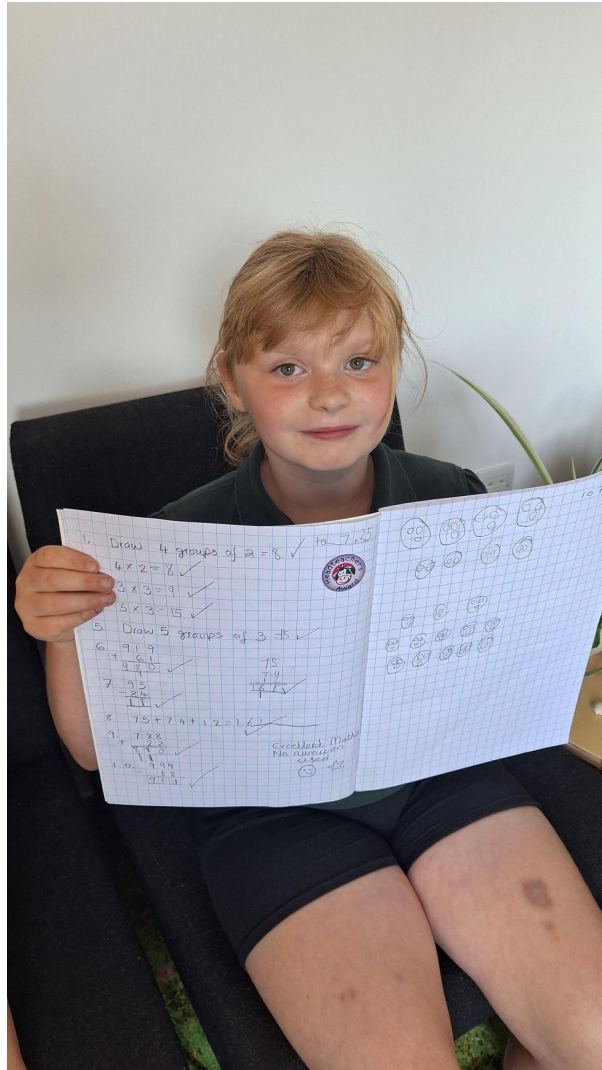
Headteacher Awards...











What's Been Happening In School...

Budleigh Music Festival has been such a wonderful experience for St Peter's this year. Our amazing Yr5 choir sang so beautifully on the opening day of the festival and this afternoon 130 children sat absorbed in the music created by the wonderful Future Talent Musicians and Zi (Red Hedgehogs) group. We were introduced to the various stringed and woodwind instruments that played Mozart, Gershwin and Folk dances. Our heartfelt thanks goes to the organisers, volunteers and sponsors of the Budleigh MusicFestival and to all our school staff, volunteers, parents and carers who support us in our music curriculum.



Year 5 and Year 6 had their annual beach day this week! They had fantastic weather, and soooo much fun. They were paddleboarding, kayaking, played beach touch rugby and tug of war on the sand!



Summer Music Concert Magic! A huge **well done** to all our talented musicians who performed so beautifully at our Summer Concert — what a joy to hear the results of your dedication and hard work over the year! A special shoutout to our amazing **pianists**, many of whom have been quietly practising and making incredible progress. It was wonderful to shine a light on their talent! Thank you to all our parents and carers for your constant support — from helping with practice at home, to lugging instruments in each week, and coming along to cheer them on. We couldn't do it without you! A heartfelt thanks to our brilliant Music Leads **Mrs Lewis** and **Mrs Rogers**, and our dedicated peripatetic team **Mrs Elliott**, **Mr Gould**, and **Mr Pritchard** for inspiring and guiding our young musicians. If your

child is interested in starting singing lessons or learning an instrument, please contact the school office to find out more.







Pupil Celebrations...

Well done to...Florence, Poppy & Ivor, Lara, Hugo, Archie



7 - Florence completed her 1st show jumping class and came 2nd in the solid colour class and 4th in the mountain and moorland! Well done!



8 - Well done to Ivor and Poppy who performed in a concert with Exeter Youth Orchestra recently! Awesome!



9 - Well done to Lara who played with Exmouth Pumas in a big 6-a-side tournament on Sunday and they won the whole thing, winning all six matches!



10 - Well done to Hugo who was recently awarded his next belt in Judo!



11 - Well done to Archie who completed his 81st parkrun recently and smashed his sub 20 minute record!

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The Old Vicarage Fun Afternoon

Saturday, 5 July 2025. 2PM-5PM



- Bouncy castle
- Games (Tombola, Target)
- Balloon lady
- Raffle prizes
- Stalls (Crafts, Plants, Cakes, Books)
- Ice cream van
- Nearly new shop



Everyone welcome - bring the family!

Entry fee

£1 adults (includes refreshments). Children free.



**The Old Vicarage
Care Home, Otterton**
01395 568208



Proceeds go to Budleigh Lions Club

£10.75

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**Budleigh
&SPEAKEASY**

Dress to impress 1920's style!

- MUSIC - DANCING - FOOD - BAR -

7.30PM - 11.30PM
FRIDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER
2025
SECRET LOCATION IN BUDLEIGH!!

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Tickets and information @
www.speakeasybudleigh.co.uk

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PSST... PASS THIS ONTO THE PEOPLE YOU WANT TO PARTY WITH

*Free fizz with friends,
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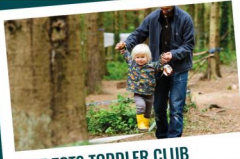
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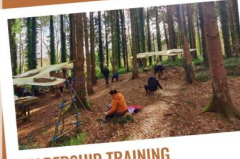
TREE TOTS TODDLER CLUB
Every session is different and might include games, free play, craft activities and songs.



HOLIDAY CLUBS
Enjoy the adventures, fun and endless excitement across our woodlands.



BIRTHDAY PARTIES
Take your party outdoors this year and enjoy the ultimate woodland adventure birthday!



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