



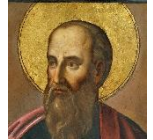
NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd October 2026

A WORD FROM THE SAINTS

"Let the message of Christ live in you."

St Paul



MESSAGES FROM SCHOOL

YEAR R INFORMATION MEETING

Thank you to the families who were able to attend Monday's meeting for Year R. However, if you were unable to attend the information meeting on Monday, please find the slides shared on the Year R class page on the school website or simply click [here](#).

FIRE ENGINE VISIT IN YEAR R

On Tuesday, our Year R children had an excellent afternoon with the East Grinstead Fire Service. The children were given a tour of the fire engine and were amazed at all the different tools and features. They were then invited to sit in the back seats and explore some of the technology such as the walkie-talkies and thermal imaging cameras. The Fire fighters were brilliant, demonstrating the safety equipment and explaining how they help people in different ways. Our Year R children were beautifully behaved, listened carefully and were rewarded with being able to use hose to spray water onto our field!



NETBALL

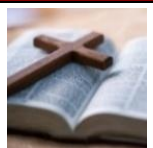
On Wednesday morning, some of our Year 4 children participated in a Netball Festival at the East Grinstead Sports Club. It was a great opportunity for the group to learn the skills associated with Netball and then put these skills into practice in some mini matches at the end. Well done to all those who participated - you represented St Peter's superbly.



MESSAGES FROM THE PARISH

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy is an opportunity for children to hear and understand The Gospel in a way suitable to their age. It is offered at both Our Lady and St Peter's (East Grinstead) and St Bernard's (Lingfield) on the first Sunday of each month during Mass. Come and join us.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

Do you have a child in Year 4 or above and interested in receiving the sacraments of First Reconciliation and Holy Communion? We are happy to announce that our programme will be starting in December 2026. [Sign up here](#)

(The link to the form is under the section about First Holy Communion.)



CHILDREN'S ADVENT AFTERNOON

On Sunday 29th November from 2pm to 4.15pm, children are invited to an afternoon filled with craft and fun activities followed by a short Advent Liturgy at 4pm, to conclude at 4.15pm at St Bernard's Church, Lingfield. This event is open to school age children and children aged 2-3 years if accompanied by an adult. Drinks and a snack will be provided. To book your child's place or for more information please call Nicky Daines on 01342 870358 or email raymondldaines@btinternet.com

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL AND WIDER COMMUNITY

EAST GRINSTEAD FOODBANK



Thank you all for your wonderful generosity this morning. We were inundated with donations for the East Grinstead Foodbank; filling two cars with 1.75Kg of items! We are also very grateful to Mrs Joy and Mr Philp (a grandparent and parent of the school) for kindly delivering everything to the foodbank this morning.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

In assembly this morning, we celebrated the work of Fairtrade by exploring the hard work of Dora Atiiga: Cocoa Farmer, Teacher, Mother, and Changemaker. Please use the link below to see for yourself how she has been a beacon for change in her community.



[Dora Atiiga - 'As a young woman who at first could not express or share my point of view in public, \[I am\] now able to advocate on living income and climate action... without fear or panic.'](#)

LOVE IN A BOX

Each year, we support this charitable cause by filling shoeboxes with items needed for children of all ages to receive something at Christmas. To explain this cause the children will take part in an Assembly on Friday 23rd October and receive a Teams4u leaflet (a new umbrella organisation for Love in a Box this year). In the meantime, please save medium-size shoeboxes and think about the goodies for needy children to go inside. The contribution to the charity to transport costs to locations in Eastern Europe is £3.50. Boxes need to be returned to school after half term by Wednesday 11th November. Thank you. [Teams4u](#)



WEEKLY AWARDS



Attendance Ted
Best Attendance
Year 4



Punctuality Pup
Best Punctuality
Year 4



Captain Busta
Best Eco Effort
Year 5

Attendance and punctuality are based upon the previous week's data.

Each week, children are nominated for the headteacher's award for demonstrating a variety of great qualities, including:

- Amazing ideas
- For being a great example to others
- For kindness to others
- For perseverance with learning
- For success in grasping a new concept
- For a wonderful sporting attitude

AT THE END OF EACH HALF TERM, CHILDREN CHOOSE WHO THEY FEEL DESERVES TO RECEIVE THIS AWARD.

YEAR R

Joseph has been chosen for his success in grasping a new concept.

YEAR 1

Lottie has been chosen for being a great example to others.

YEAR 2

Isaac has been chosen for his amazing ideas.

YEAR 3

Romeo has been chosen for being a great example to others.

YEAR 4

Max has been chosen for his perseverance with his learning.

YEAR 5

Jessica has been chosen for her perseverance with her learning.

YEAR 6

Grace has been chosen for being a great example to others.

DIARY DATES AUTUMN TERM 1 2026

(new items appear in **bold**)

[TERM DATES 2026 2027](#)

OCTOBER	
Monday 5 th October 2.45pm	Years 3 & 4 Rosary Liturgy - all welcome to attend
Thursday 8 th October	Year 5 Swimming 5 of 6
Friday 9 th October	Inset Day – school closed for children
Tuesday 13 th October 9.30am	Prospective Parents Presentation and Tour Click here to book a place or use the QR Code
Thursday 15 th October	Year 5 Swimming 6 of 6
Tuesday 20 th October	Year R – PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) in school
Thursday 22 nd October	Year 4 Swimming 1 of 6
Friday 23 rd October 2.45pm	Years R, 1 & 2 Harvest Celebration – all welcome to attend
Friday 23 rd October 3.20pm	The Friends Cake Sale
26 th – 30 th October	Half Term – school closed



DIARY DATES AUTUMN TERM 2 2026

(new items appear in **bold**)

NOVEMBER	
Monday 2 nd November	First day of term
Monday 2 nd November	Year 6 Height & Weight checks
Wednesday 4 th November	Love in a Box - Shoeboxes for Teams4u collected
Thursday 5 th November	Year 4 Swimming 2 of 6
Thursday 5 th November	Prospective Parents Presentation and Tour Click here to book a place or use the QR Code
Monday 9 th November	First Aid training for Years 2, 4 & 6
Tuesday 10 th November 3.40pm onwards	Parental Consultations – details to follow
Thursday 12 th November	Year 4 Swimming 3 of 6
Thursday 12 th November 3.40pm onwards	Parental Consultations – details to follow
Thursday 19 th November	Year 4 Swimming 4 of 6
Thursday 26 th November	Year 4 Swimming 5 of 6
Friday 27 th November	Prospective Parents Presentation and Tour Click here to book a place or use the QR Code
Friday 27 th November 2.45pm	Advent Reconciliation Service
Sunday 29th November	1st Sunday of Advent
Sunday 29 th November 2.00pm - 4.15pm	Children's Advent Afternoon at St Bernards's Church
Week of 30 th November	Year 6 Bikeability - details to follow



DIARY DATES AUTUMN TERM 2 2026 (CONT.)

(new items appear in **bold**)

DECEMBER	
Thursday 3 rd December	Year 4 Swimming 6 of 6
Sunday 6 th December	2 nd Sunday of Advent
Sunday 13 th December	3 rd Sunday of Advent
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term
Sunday 20 th December	4 th Sunday of Advent
21 st December – 1 st January	Christmas holidays – School Closed

DIARY DATES SPRING TERM 1 2027

(new items appear in **bold**)

[TERM DATES 2026 2027](#)

JANUARY	
Monday 4 th January	Inset Day – School Closed for Children
Tuesday 5 th January	1 st Day of Term