

Reception Class Newsletter

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Welcome Back!

It's going to be a busy half term so please keep an eye on the newsletter and dojo!

If you have any other questions, I can be contacted by:

- Class Dojo—after school up until 4.30pm
- Telephone—please call school to arrange a telephone conversation (0121 464 6921)

Season of Lent

This half term is one of the most important seasons of the churches calendar, Lent. We will be spending time each week, reflecting on how we can give up or do more.

This will lead us up to Holy Week.



Class Trip!



We will be going on a class trip out to Attwell Farm on Tuesday 24th March 2026.

Payment for the trip will be collected via the parent pay app. More info to follow on class dojo.



Please follow us on **Class Dojo** to see what we're getting up to this half term.

Lots of messages go out via Class dojo so please keep up to date with this.



Reading

We are having a huge drive on reading this half term. Each class will be visiting our school library and choosing a book to read for pleasure at home. Please look after this when reading it at home.

Friday

Please come and check out the book swap in the entrance hall for both parents and children. If you have any books, bring them to swap with another to take and read at home.

Children must bring their reading books in daily

PE

Reception's PE Day will be on a **Wednesday**.

Please ensure your child is in full PE kit on this day with a school cardigan or jumper to wear during the day.

If they have pumps, please send them in to keep in their tray. **No leggings or brightly coloured shoes.**

Water Bottles

It is **so** important your child brings a water bottle to school every day labelled with their name.

Water bottles can only be filled with water or flavoured water, no squash or fizzy drinks.

Class Twitter

We are regularly updating both our class and school twitter pages with photos of children's work and what we are getting up to in school. Please follow our twitter handles to see what we are doing!

@SaintPetersSch

Spring Two topic: Growing and Changing!

English

In English we are focusing on two traditional texts called:

The Little Red Hen

Jack and the Beanstalk

We will be retelling the story, acting it out on our stage, writing character descriptions and using ambitious vocabulary in our

writing.



Maths

In Maths we will begin our new term by focusing on making numbers within 10. We will start using a part whole model to understand adding two parts to make a whole.

We will also be looking at different shapes and spatial awareness with shapes.



RE

The two units we are focusing in RE this half term are 'Lent' and 'Holy Week'. The children will be learning that Lent is a special season in the Church's year where we try to change and grow to be more like Jesus, thinking of ways we can apply them to real life situations. The children will also be able to name and sequence the important events of Holy Week, being able to describe what happened on each occasion.

Understanding the World

In our topic Growing and Changing, we are building on what we already know about our world. We will be recapping on our seasons, learning about how the world changes throughout the year.

We will learn about other changes around us, like how our local area has changed over time.

Moving through the unit, children will have an opportunity to plant a seed and observe its growth during our Wellie Wednesday sessions.

We also have our exciting trip to Attwell Farm planned which will support our topic learning for this half term too!

Art

In art we will be looking at still life. We will be looking at flowers, plants, fruits and vegetables and how artists use these to draw.

We will look at the work of Van Gogh and how he drew sunflowers using different tones of yellow learning about light and shade.

Music

This half term we will be understanding how to find the beat in a song. We will be doing this through listening to familiar nursery rhymes and using our hands to clap to the beat.

PE

This half term our topic for PE is Body movement. We will be learning to balance, move around, over and through different obstacles, reach and stretch the retrieve objects and create different shapes with our bodies.

PRE

In PRE our main focus will be on 'Healthy Choices', thinking about the important choices we should be making to help our bodies.