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Newsletter - October 2025

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to have had such a positive start to the school year, with staff and pupils enjoying the opportunity to get to know their new classes. It has been wonderful to see how well the children have settled.

Safeguarding

As always, the safety and wellbeing of our pupils remains our highest priority. During the first weeks of term, staff have been encouraging children to speak openly about any worries or concerns they may have. Each classroom includes a reflective space, providing pupils with the opportunity to pause, connect with their thoughts and emotions, and share both positive and negative feelings. In addition, our computing curriculum begins with a focus on 'Online Safety,' giving every class the chance to explore age-appropriate ways to use the internet responsibly and safely.

For further guidance on how you can help support your children and keep them safe, please regularly check the school and NSPCC websites.

<https://www.stantoninpeakschool.co.uk/page/?title=Online+Safety&pid=32>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

Christian Value

Mrs. Wyer has been, and will continue to center her collective worships around our autumn term's Christian value - **Thankfulness**. Themes covered include thanking God for people who help us (Philippians 1.3); praising God in creation (Psalm 148); remembering to say thank you (Ephesians 5.20); giving thanks even when times are difficult (Acts 16.16-end); counting your blessings (1 Thessalonians 5.16); living fruitful lives (Mark 4.3-9).

Forest Schools Parent Workshop Tuesday 7th October

Mr. Sizer and I would like to invite you to a Forest Schools workshop, where we will outline some of the key principles of our Forest Schools sessions. We believe that Forest Schools is an integral part of our school, and the engagement in weekly outdoor activities has a positive impact on the children. The workshop will highlight some of the benefits our sessions have on the pupils as well as the rationale behind our approach.

The meeting will take place in the Year 5 and 6 classroom at 3:10pm on Tuesday 7th October – we hope to see you there.

Year 6 Bikeability

On **Tuesday 14th October** we have an instructor coming into school to deliver Bikeability to our Year 6 pupils. Information regarding the session is included in a separate letter; however, if you require more – please contact the school office. Please can permissions be returned to school by Friday 10th October.

Early Reading and Phonics Workshop for Parents

Thank you to everyone who attended Miss Calder and Miss McVeigh's Early Reading and Phonics Workshop. Should you have further questions or would like additional advice or guidance as to how you can support your child, please speak to either teacher during drop-off or pick-up.

Sport at Stanton

Our first sporting event of the year got off to flying start! After warming up for their matches by walking down the hill to Rowsley, our Year 1s and 2s along with our Year 5s and Year 6s wasted no time getting going in their corresponding football tournaments.

It was nice to see our infants engaging in competitive matches – there was certainly lots of enthusiasm, smiling and happy faces.

Our Year 5s and 6s boys team played some fantastic football and were unlucky to only finish runners up, and our Year 5 and 6 girls were brilliant whilst competing in their first ever match – hopefully the first of many!

Our next sporting events are:

- **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** Cross-country at Bakewell Juniors on Thursday 9th October
- **Year 3 and 4, Year 5 and 6** Tag Rugby tournament at Great Longstone Primary School on Thursday 23rd October.

The pupils will travel by coach to both events.

The cross-country event is scheduled to finish at **3pm** and children will be picked up by their parents from **Bakewell Junior School DE45 1FR**

The tag-rugby event is expected to finish at 3pm, with the coach arriving back in **Stanton at 3:30pm**.

Thank you to those that have filled in the master permission slip already and stated who will be collecting your child either from the cross-country venue in Bakewell or at the slightly later time in Stanton after the tag-rugby. A copy of the permission slip can still be found on the bottom of this newsletter for anyone who is yet to return it to school.

**A reminder that unfortunately, parent spectators are not permitted at these events*

Harvest Service

A reminder that you are all invited to our Harvest Service in Stanton Holy Trinity Church on **Thursday 2nd October**. The service will begin at 2pm. As part of our service, we are encouraging children to bring non-perishable goods to school so that they can be delivered to local food banks.

Edale Residential

The KS2 pupils are beginning to get excited about their residential at the Peak Centre in Edale this month. Thank you to everyone who has returned the corresponding forms – there is an additional form to fill in regarding photographs and a kit list that can be found alongside the newsletter. Please can you ensure all other forms have been returned to the school office by Friday 3rd October. These include the initial £10 deposit, Stanton in Peak Residential consent form and The Peak Centre consent form. If your child takes any regular medication relating to a current medical condition, you will also need to complete a medical form.

Flu Vaccinations

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete an online consent form. If you would like to decline, please complete a 'no consent' form on the attached link:

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/3f10d9f9>

The vaccinations will take place in school on the 11/11/2025. The link will close on the 28/10/2025. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since Sept 2025, please disregard this message. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 - option 5 then option 2.

School Photographs

Individual and sibling photographs will take place in school on **Monday 10th November**. Any families that wish to bring younger or older siblings to be included in the photos will be able to do from 8am – please inform the school office if this applies to you. If you have more than one child at school, please let us know if you would like them to be photographed together, individually or both. Carole, our usual school photographer has recently retired – this year will be our first year

working with Capture Photography.

Homework

Now that classroom routines are established, it is a good chance to remind parents of some additional ways you can support your child at home.

Reading

With such strong correlations between reading for pleasure and academic attainment, reading with your child or listening to your child read is something that should be valued and encouraged. In the age of technology, reading is one thing that appears to have been pushed to the back of the line in many households. However, once established, reading at home can quickly become a time for families to enjoy and look forward to. Finding a quiet corner, brewing a warm drink and spending quality time with mum, dad, granny or grandad alongside an engaging book can be a special time for everyone.

We recommend the following:

Reception and KS1 children reading for approximately 10 minutes 5 times a week

Year 3 and 4 pupils reading for approximately 15 minutes 5 times each week

Year 5 and 6 pupils reading for approximately 20 minutes 5 times each week

High frequency words

Reception children will be given regular high frequency words or sound cards to practice at home. Year 1 and year 2 children may also be given these if required.

Spellings

Throughout Key Stage 1 and 2, a weekly spelling list will be given to your child at the start of each week. Whilst they will have designated times to look at spelling rules and learn their spellings in class, we strongly recommend spending some time with your child at home to help prepare them for their weekly spelling test at the end of each week.

Times-Tables

By the end of Year 4, pupils are expected to know their multiplication facts (tables 1-12). Pupils in Year 4 sit a statutory tables test in the summer term. Knowing their times-tables can have a huge impact on pupils' progression in mathematics, which is why pupils in KS2 have regular tests to help monitor their progress.

There are several ways you can help your child progress with their tables: quick-fire questions on the way to and from school; regular recitals; flash-cards and worksheets. Worksheets can be readily available within school for your child to take home. Please ask your child's class teacher for worksheets or further support with this should you require it.

Maths Homework

Pupils in KS2 have already established good habits and are completing maths homework (Monday-Thursday). The questions they complete are marked the following day and glued into the back of their maths books. It is expected that these questions should take between 5 and 10 minutes to complete. The aim is to provide children with daily practice of key mathematical skills; however, if your child is completing the tasks quickly and confidently and would like additional maths homework – extensions, linked to the work your child is learning in class, can be prepared and sent home with your child.

If you are struggling with homework

As a parent myself, I am all too familiar with the struggles that can occur at home whilst trying to get our children to engage with their homework. They've worked hard in school all day and often the last thing they want to do once home is more work. If you are finding it difficult and would like additional support with this – please contact school and we'll do our best to help you formulate a strategy that works for you.

Could You Be a School Governor?

We are looking for members of our community to volunteer as a **Primary School Governor for the Peak Tor Federation** (Rowsley C of E and Stanton-in-Peak C of E Primary Schools).

A school governor plays a vital role in shaping the future of our schools. Governors work as part of a team to provide support and challenge to the school leadership, helping to ensure that every child has the best possible start in life.

We are seeking volunteers who are:

- Honest, fair, and have integrity
- Good listeners and clear communicators
- Committed to working as part of a team
- Passionate about making a positive difference for children

You don't need to have experience in education—just an interest in supporting our schools and a willingness to give a little time and energy to the role. Our school governors meet 7 times a year on a Wednesday evening.

If you'd like to find out more, please contact Mrs Wyer (a.wyer@peaktorfederation.co.uk) for more information or to register interest.

Contact Details

If any personal/emergency contacts/address etc. have recently changed, could parents/carers please drop off at the school office a written and signed note of the changes. Thank you

Key Dates for your Diary:

- Parents Evening will be held in school on Thursday 13th November
- Christmas Craft Afternoon – Thursday 27th November
- The Infant Nativity will take place on Thursday 11th December - Afternoon performance 1pm; Evening performance 5pm.

And finally ...

Thank you for your ongoing support. It is wonderful to see so many happy faces around school, with pupils in all three classes engaged and enthusiastic in their learning. As always, if you have any worries, concerns, or general questions, please feel free to contact me by phone, in person, or via email at j.figg@peaktorfederation.co.uk, or by ringing or emailing the school office (01629 636 301 enquiries.stanton@peaktorfederation.co.uk).

Mrs. Wyer (a.wyer@peaktorfederation.co.uk) and your child's class teachers are also available to discuss any matters relating to your child's well-being or progress—either contact them directly or speak to them at the school gates before or after school.

Yours sincerely,

Johnathon Figg

Deputy Headteacher

2025-2026 TERM DATES	
Autumn 1	4 September 2025 to 24 October 2025 (37 days)
Autumn 2	3 November 2025 to 19 December 2025 (35 days)
Spring 1	5 January 2026 to 13 February 2026 (30 days)
Spring 2	23 February 2026 to 27 March 2026 (25 days)
Summer 1:	13 April 2026 to 22 May 2026 (4 May 2026 is a bank holiday) (29 days)
Summer 2:	1 June 2026 to 23 July 2026 (39 days)

INSET DAYS (2025-2026 Academic Year)

Term 1 (Autumn 1) Thursday 4th September, Friday 5th September 2025

Term 2 (Autumn 2) Monday 1st December 2025

Term 6 (Summer 2) Friday 19th June, Monday 22nd June 2026

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Who's Involved
October		
Thursday 2 nd	Harvest Service	Whole School Community
Monday 6 th	Water Workshop	Year 3 and 4
Tuesday 7 th	Forest Schools Workshop	Parents
Wednesday 8 th -Friday 10 th	KS2 Residential – Edale Peak Centre	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6
Thursday 9 th	Cross Country	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
Tuesday 14 th	Bikeability	Year 6
Monday 13 th	EYFS 2026 Open Day	Parents and Children
Thursday 23 rd	Tag Rugby	Year 3 and 4, Year 5 and 6
Friday 24 th	End of Autumn 1	Whole School
November		
Monday 3 rd	Start of Autumn 2	Whole School
Tuesday 11 th	Flu Vaccinations	Pupils (with parental consent)
Thursday 13 th	Parents' Evening	Parents
Thursday 27 th	Christmas Craft Afternoon	Whole School Community
December		
Monday 8 th	Pantomime – Buxton	Whole School
Thursday 11 th	Infant Nativity	Infant Parents and Pupils
Friday 19 th	End of Autumn 2	Whole School

Sporting Events 2025/2026

Year Groups	Sport	Date	Venue
October			
Reception, Y1/2	Cross Country	Thursday 9 th	Bakewell Juniors DE45 1FR
Y3/4 Y5/6	Tag Rugby	Thursday 23 rd	Longstone Primary DE45 1TZ
January			
Y5/6	Sportshall Athletics	Thursday 22 nd	Graves Health and Tennis Club, S8 8JR
February			
Y5/6	Netball	Thursday 5 th	Longstone Primary DE45 1TZ
March			
Y3/4 Y5/6	Hockey	Thursday 19 th	Bakewell Juniors DE45 1FR
May			
Y5/6 R/Y1/2	Cricket	Thursday 14 th	Rowsley Sports Field DE4 2EE
June			
Y3/4 Y5/6	Rounders	Thursday 25 th	Youlgrave Sports Field DE45 1WN

2025-26 School Sports Events Master Permission Form

Year Groups	Sport	Date	Venue
		September	
Y1/2 Y5/6	Football	Thursday 25 th	Rowsley Sports Field DE4 2EE
		October	
Reception, Y1/2	Cross Country	Thursday 9 th	Bakewell Juniors DE45 1FR
Y3/4 Y5/6	Tag Rugby	Thursday 23 rd	Great Longstone Primary DE45 1TZ
		January	
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		June	
Y3/4 Y5/6	Rounders	Thursday 25 th	Youlgrave Sports Field DE45 1WN

I give permission for my child/children _____ to participate in the listed sports events for 2025-26 academic year (please take note of the year groups taking part & the pick-up venues). They will be transported there via coach and collected by a parent or nominated adult at 3pm.

NB

**Children and staff will walk to events taking place at Rowsley.*

***Children and staff will return to school via coach from events taking place in Great Longstone and at the Graves Health and Tennis Club – approximate time of arrival back at school for these events is 3:30pm.*

Please advise below who is most likely to collect your child/children from the majority of the events. If there is another nominated adult that may also regularly collect your child/children please add that below (As always, we encourage car sharing wherever possible and if you are having difficulties arranging transport home from any event, please contact the school office for support.)

I _____ will collect my child/children from the listed sports events at 3pm.

I also give consent for:

to collect my children/children from the listed sports events at **3pm**.

If there is a change of plan and someone else will be collecting your child/children from one of the events, please notify the school office prior to the event.

Signed: _____