



WELCOME TO YEAR 5 GECKOS

September 2025



NATIONAL NURTURING SCHOOL



- <https://www.stpeters.herts.sch.uk/national-nurturing-school/>

6 Key principles

- We learn at our own pace and that's ok!
- Our wellbeing is the most important thing.
- Our classroom is a safe place.
- We show how we feel by the way we behave.
- We use words to express ourselves.
- We all experience change and can support each other through it.





CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT / ROUTINES

- Drop off at door downstairs– children to change into indoor shoes downstairs and put shoes onto the rack(s)
- Children's coats and bags stored in the Y5 Classrooms upstairs
- Come into the classroom ready for Early Work
 - Maths Fluency
 - SPAG activities
 - 1:1 Reading
- Pick up at the door – Teacher will be there to dismiss, although children (with prior written permission) can walk home alone
- Adults to complete the Mobile Phone Policy and hand to office. Mobile phones to be handed to the class teacher in the morning to be stored in the cupboard all day – returned at 3:15pm



CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

- **Autumn Term** –
Space, Drawing, Rivers, Forces, Circuits, Egyptians, Coding
- **Spring Term** –
Materials, Anglo Saxons, Fairtrade, Frame Structures, Colour, Databases, Game Creator
- **Summer Term** –
Materials, Living Things, Volcanoes, The Tudors, Impressionism, Food (Bread)

More information can be found on the Long term plan and in our termly class letters.

AUTUMN TIMETABLE



	8.40-9.00	9.00 – 9.30	9:30 – 10:30		10:30 – 11:00	11:00-11:15	11:15 – 11:30	11:30-12:15		12:15 – 1:15	1:15-2:15		2:15 - 3.15	
Mon	Spelling	Headteacher Assembly	<u>Maths</u>		Book Club Reading Session	B	SPAG	English		L	RE	Science		
Tues	SPAG	Teacher Led Assembly	<u>Maths</u>		Whole Class Reading	R	Hand - writing	English		U	PE	Computing		
Weds	<u>Maths</u> Fluency	Circle Time	<u>Maths</u>		Whole Class Reading	E	Spelling	English		N	Geography	PSHE Jigsaw <u>FeelIt</u>		
Thurs	Countdown / Arithmetic	Singing Assembly	Whole Class Reading	French (PPA)		A	Music (PPA)			C	<u>Maths</u> Fluency / Arithmetic	Art		
Fri	Boggle	Celebration Assembly	<u>Maths</u>		Whole Class Reading	K	Spelling	English		H 12pm	PE - Swimming 12:50pm Walk 1:30-2:15pm Lesson 2:50pm Return to school			

SPELLING

- New scheme – ELS (Essential Letters and Sounds) which links to the phonics scheme we use in EYFS and KS1
- Spelling scheme it taught throughout the school.
- 3 lessons weekly
- Spelling and grammar content from the National Curriculum

Teach

Today we are going to look at the different spellings for the /or/ sound.

or	aw	au	al	ar
order	fawn	pause	walk	warm
augh	oar	oor	ore	
daughter	roar	floor	more	

Year 3 • Unit 17

Root morpheme: quest

con re	quest ask, seek	ed ing s	
		ion	able ed ing s

Remember

Have you heard of a hero going on a quest? A quest is a long search where someone is seeking something, especially something precious or valuable.

Use the morpheme grid to build word sums using the root morpheme **quest**.

COMMUNICATION



- Adult will greet your child on the door
- Email Miss Honour using geckos@stpeters.herts.sch.uk
- mychildtoday@stpeters.herts.sch.uk – cc for emails regarding pick arrangements during the day.
- Talk to us after school
- Call or visit our main office - urgent!
- School Newsletters – fortnightly
- Website updates- Class pages updated weekly
- Google Classroom – homework and other notices

WHO TO CONTACT?



Ms Godfrey
School Business
Manager

- Concerns or questions about the school premises.
- Support for financial difficulties.

Mrs Hawker
Assistant Head &
INCO

- Concerns about children on the SEND register.
- Advice and support after consultation with the class teacher.
- Safeguarding concerns.

Mrs Zawadzka
Phase Leaders

- Concerns about behaviour or curriculum content in Year X and X after discussion with the class teacher.
- Questions about the teaching in Year X and X.

Mrs Zawadzka
Deputy Head

- Safeguarding concerns, including Online Safety and Radicalisation
- Concerns not resolved by the phase leader.
- Questions around Pupil Premium Allocation.
- Concerns about school policies or procedures.

Ms Masterton
Headteacher

- Safeguarding concerns.
- Concerns about staff conduct.
- Concerns not resolved by the Deputy Head.
- Formal complaints about school policies and procedures.



LEARNING AT HOME

- Reading every day if possible, but at least 3 times a week. Please record any reading in your child's reading record.
- Weekly spellings given to practice, relating to our weekly rule (but needs to be seen in writing)
- Maths homework via [DoodleLearning.co.uk](https://www.doodlelearning.co.uk) – Little and often. Children to stay in the green zone.

UNIFORM

A couple of reminders:

Grey pinafore, skirt or culottes Grey school shorts or trousers.

PE Kits – Navy Shorts, blue or white T shirt, Navy jogging bottoms, Navy Hoodie, Trainers

Jewellery cannot be worn except small stud earrings and watches, and must be removed for PE.

Swimming kits every Friday (hair tied back would be helpful).

NAME EVERYTHING PLEASE!



WEBSITE



- Class updates
- Information slides
- Safeguarding
- Policies
- Contact us
- Dates



@stpeterschoo1 @StPeters_Sport

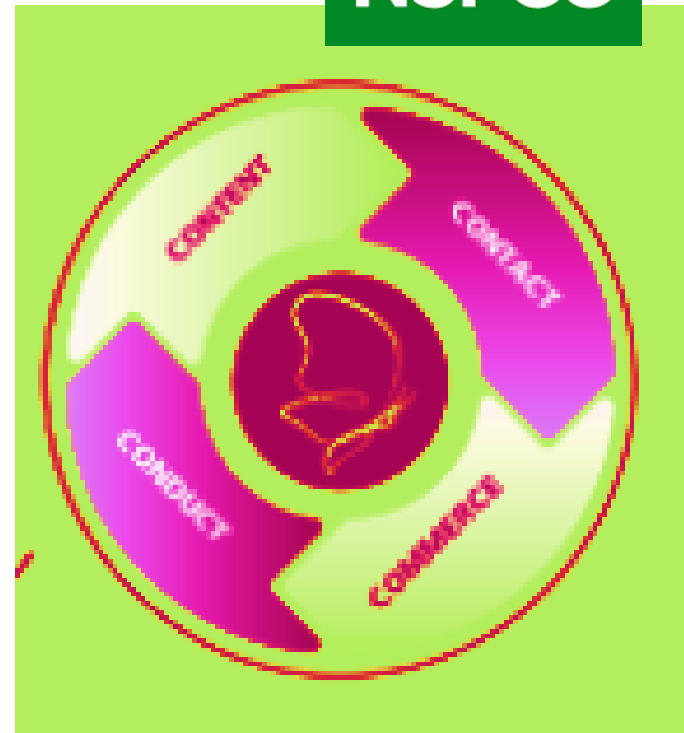
ONLINE SAFETY

internet
matters.org



NSPCC

- Taught throughout the school in all curriculum areas.
- Online Ambassadors
- Wake up Wednesdays posts on X
- Section on school website
- Tips on fortnightly newsletter



SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD



**We're united
for childhood**

Join the growing movement of families who
believe childhood's too short to scroll away



ATTENDANCE

Being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing 2 weeks of school.



Being 5 minutes late every day is the same as 3 days off school.





HELPING AT SCHOOL



- All welcome to help in school.
- Reading, cooking, sewing, trips, talking to children about your culture, leading assemblies
- References and DBS checks are required if volunteering more than 3 times a term.
- Ms Masterton will be holding a meeting for more information



Wednesday 24th September at 14:30



QUESTIONS?

Class Assembly - Friday 10th October

*Learn and Share – Wednesday 15th October
8.40am – 9.30*

PE Days – Tuesday (PE Kit), Friday (Swimming)