



9TH September 2025

YEAR 6 AUTUMN TERM CLASS LETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your child to Year 6! Along with Mrs Binks, we are really looking forward to the fun filled year ahead.

In **Literacy**, we are starting the year with three weeks of learning around the non-fiction text 'Planetarium'. Through this, we will be exploring the features of non-chronological reports, before creating a planet of our own to write about. Following this, we will be working on the fiction text 'Wisp.' We will explore figurative language, sentence structure and punctuation. We shall spend time building vocabulary and focus on using understanding of spelling rules when writing. Following this we will be writing persuasive speeches and a narrative.

Your child will continue to be encouraged to read a range of texts with an emphasis on quality fiction to expand vocabulary, creative ideas as well as their own writing skills. Our class book for this term is 'The Boy in the Tower', which the children will be working on in school.

In **Maths**, we will be revising and deepening the children's existing knowledge and understanding. We shall start by exploring place value and the four operations with plenty of opportunities for investigations and problem solving.

Our themes in **Science** are 'Living things and their Habitats' and 'Animals Including Humans.' We will be carrying out research and experiments linked to these, through which the children will put all of their scientific skills to good use.

We will continue to remind the children about Online Safety in **Computing** lessons, stressing the importance of this through their everyday life. In addition, we will be looking at how to code and use spreadsheets to record data.

In **History**, the children will have the opportunity to learn about the Crime and Punishment through the ages and after half term, our **Geography** lessons will focus on studying National Parks.

In **RE**, we will be looking at celebrations and key events in life, as well as exploring ways of expressing meaning.

PE lessons will take place on Mondays and Wednesdays. Children should come to school in their PE kit on that day.

PE Kit: St Peter's light blue PE T-shirt, navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms, a navy hoody and trainers (not plimsolls). Long hair should be tied back and jewellery should **not** be worn. If your child has to wear stud earrings, please cover with plasters before they come to school. After half term, one of our lessons will move inside for Dance.

Music will continue to be taught by Miss Wray and then Miss Hayden. The children will listen to a variety of music, including pieces from the Great Composers, and we will be having fun and encouraging collaboration by learning to play the ukulele as a class.

French will be taught on a Thursday afternoon by Mrs Zawadzka. Over the course of the term, the children will learn to compare schools and homes in France and England as well as learning how to talk about things they might like to do at the weekend. The children will continue to build their understanding of French sounds, words and patterns throughout the unit.

In **Art**, our focus will be on collage. As a part of this, we will be building up layers and exploring 3D represented on a flat surface, in the styles of Picasso and Klimt. In the second half of term, we will be designing and making our own cushion covers in **DT**.

Homework will continue to be set on Google Classroom every Friday for the duration of this term. This will include spellings, reading and maths (from Doodle Learning) each week.

Key Dates:

- Class Assembly – Friday 3rd October
- Parent Consultation Evening – Tuesday 22nd October & Thursday 24th October
- Learn & Share (Book Look) – Wednesday 15th October
- Learn & Share – Thursday 27th November

We recommend that you regularly check the school calendar on the school website for any other events that may occur throughout the term. We will also use the Google Classroom to send updates. We regularly update our class pages on the website with information about our learning. [Year 6 | St Peter's School St Albans \(stpeters.herts.sch.uk\)](http://Year6|StPeter'sSchoolStAlbans.stpeters.herts.sch.uk)

If you have any queries concerning your child, please feel free to contact us via the following email address: Year6@stpeters.herts.sch.uk

We have been so impressed with the start your children have made to their Year 6 journey: they have approached every task and new routine with positivity and enthusiasm. We are really looking forward to getting to know them all as the year progresses.

Kind regards,

Mrs Ferrari and Mr Watts