Newsletter

October 2026



Diary Dates 2026-2027:

Monday 26th - Tuesday 3rd November: OCTOBER HALF TERM

NOVEMBER

Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd: INSET DAYS. No children in school.

Wednesday 4th: Nasal Flu Vaccination. Whole School. **NB**: Link closes on 3/11/26)

Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th: 3:40-7pm: Parents' Evenings. Whole school

Thursday 5th: Operation Christmas Child shoebox deadline

Monday 9th - Friday 12th: C5 & 6 Residential, PGL Marchant's

We started the month celebrating The Harvest Festival, which was marked on Sunday 4th October this year. We held two beautiful festivals at St Mary's Church the following day. By all accounts parents and children alike sang their hearts out, with everyone thoroughly enjoying the community spirit of the occasion. Once again our neighbour Liz Whittaker transported our food donations - generously donated by our school community - to the Exmouth Food Bank. Our thanks to all the parents who helped escort the children from school to the church - and back again. Your help is always much appreciated.



On Tuesday 6th, our Year 4 students were again treated to a day at the Farmwise Event at Westpoint. Each year this hands-on experience of farming and food production gains in popularity, with dozens of local schools now taking part. The experience offers everything from cheese-making and apple-juicing, to digging for potatoes and cow-milking! Our thanks to the parents who helped to chaperone the children at the event: we hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as the children did!







Hill

Monday 9th:
9:15am: CR Vision screening.

Tuesday 11th: Remembrance Day



Friday 13th: Children in Need



Monday 16th:
11am: Prospective Parents Open Day for CR 2027. 3 of 3

Friday 20th:
Kents Cavern trip. C3.

Monday 30th:
4pm: EPFL, St Peter's. C6 team. 2nd of 5

DECEMBER

Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th:
KS1 Nativity Rehearsals at Village Hall









This year's Exeter Primary Football League (EPFL) kicked off on Monday 12th, at St Peter's School. There are 5 matches in all, between 18 teams from 12 local primary schools, being held approximately every month. This year we're fielding players from Class 6 - including 3 girls for the first time. They worked really well as a team, winning one and losing one game. A great start to the League!

Classes 3 and 4 completed the 'Walkability' programme on Tuesday 13th, which is Child Pedestrian Training run by Active Devon. Each class took part in a classroom workshop first, followed by practical training with instructors around the village. The aim is to learn road safety skills; identifying safer places to cross; understanding road signs; staying aware and using the Green Cross Code.

Wednesday 9th:
Timings tbc: Nativity Performances, Village Hall

Thursday 10th:
10am: Nativity at CSM Church

Friday 11th:
PTFA Christmas wrapping. Whole school.

Tuesday 15th:
4:45pm: KS2 Christingle. Village Hall

Thursday 17th:
Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day.

Thursday 17th:
PTFA Christmas (Winter?) Disco
5:45-6:45pm: KS1
7-8pm: KS2

Friday 18th:
LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
Children return to school on Tuesday 5th January, 2027



Class 1 parents were treated to a lovely celebration of the children's learning on Thursday 15th, through songs and rhymes, as well as displaying their work.

On the same day, a mixed group of years 3 and 4, 5 and 6 went to Stoke Canon for a Rugby friendly, organised by Exeter Chiefs Community Coach Nick Gillard. After warming up with skills-training (to be reminded of the rules of the game), they played some friendly matches with their SC counterparts. It was a fun and relaxed afternoon, by all accounts!

To round off the term, children blew off some steam at the PTFA's Halloween Disco! It was a super turnout, very much enjoyed by all - although there were some bleary eyes this morning!

Half Term will take place from **Monday 26th October to Tuesday 3rd November** this year, with children returning to school on Wednesday 4th **after our two Inset Days.**

We wish you all an enjoyable and restful break!

Coming up in November:

Wednesday 4th: Nasal flu vaccinations. Whole school. A reminder that the deadline for submitting your consent closes on 3rd November.

Thursday 5th: Operation Christmas Child shoebox collection.

Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th: Parents' Evenings from 3:40pm. Whole school.

Monday 9th to Friday 13th: C5 & 6 Residential, Marchant's Hill.

Monday 16th: 11am: Final prospective parents visit for Reception 2027 children.

Friday 20th: Kents Cavern trip, C3.

Monday 23rd: 7pm. PTFA AGM, school hall.

