

# NEWSLETTER

Another fantastic week at school, with visitors from the Trust and fellow Headteachers spending time with us. They were particularly impressed by how confidently our children talked about their learning and how clearly they could explain the ways they keep themselves and others safe. We have also been delighted with the positive feedback around our new lunchtime arrangements, which are settling in well. In addition, Year 6 pupils have approached their SATs practice with focus and determination, and it has been lovely to see their hard work and positive attitudes continuing to shine. Across the school, many children have also been recognised for the wonderful things they have been achieving as part of our *Pupils We Are Proud Of*, and it has been a real pleasure to celebrate their successes.

## Our Christian Values

**Giving without wanting something in return**

Giving help and getting help.  
Service means helping.

Sometimes we help other people and never expect them to do anything.

Sometimes we say we are giving with no strings attached.

Let's think about that today 😊

**No Strings Attached**

Granny gives Rosie £10.

Rosie is thinking what to do.

Rosie brings the bars to school.

Would you like one?  
Rosie gives one to everyone.

You're free!

They're free!  
Rosie gives one to everyone.

No strings,  
No string.

Service means giving with no strings attached.

Service means helping others and being open to receiving help when we need it too. Sometimes we help other people simply because it is the right thing to do, not because we expect anything back. This is often described as giving with *no strings attached*. When we act in this way, we show kindness, compassion, and care for one another — values that are at the heart of our Christian ethos. Let's take a moment today to think about how we can serve others through our words, our actions, and our willingness to help. 😊

**Responding** Week 3 – Giving with no strings attached  
I did not come to be served but to serve. Matthew 20 v28

**Service**

"Serve one another in love."

**Prayer of St Augustine**

Dear God  
You help us think. (Point to head)  
You fill our hearts with joy and love. (Hands on heart)  
You help us be strong so we can help others. (Strong arms pose)  
Help us to know you. (Point to head)  
Help us to love you. (Hands on heart)  
And help us to help others every day. (Open hands forward)  
Amen.

**No Strings Attached**

Think back to the story of Rosie and how she served in secret. Plan a 'Secret Service Week' Write your ideas on the big magnifying glass. When you feel that that you have received an act of Secret service tell your teacher.

## Bratton's Bright Stars



# Bratton's Bright Star Award

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Class	Pupil (First Name)	Reason why a Bratton Bright Star
Bratton 1 Academic	Lilly	Lilly, you have shown off your amazing Phonics this week! You blew Miss Popsys' socks off! Well done Lilly!
Bratton 1 Citizenship	Isaac	For his hard work and positive attitude towards his learning in Reception. Keep being a role model Isaac.
Bratton 2 Academic	Eabha	For working so hard in Literacy. Eabha created an amazing picture and caption on her own. Well done, Eabha!
Bratton 2 Citizenship	Lucja	Lucja is a very kind member of Bratton 2. She saw a class friend on their own and let them play with her. She also shows amazing carpet manners. You are a superstar!
Bratton 3 Academic	Keegan	For trying hard in his English writing of the Tiger who came to tea.
Bratton 3 Citizenship	Olly	For being helpful and tidying up the reading corner without being asked.
Bratton 4 Academic	Jax	For his consistent effort in class and dedication to improvement.
Bratton 4 Citizenship	Nyla	For her kind, thoughtful conduct and the compassion she shows each day.
Bratton 5 Academic	Olivia F	For consistently showing excellent expectations, always trying your best in everything you do. You are a superstar!
Bratton 5 Citizenship	Archer	For being a fantastic member of our class. You are such a lovely friend to others.
Bratton 6 Academic	Jadzia	Always working hard, with a smile on your face and completing excellent work in geography this week. You had full marks in a times tables test as well. I am proud of your positivity in lessons. Well done Jadzia.
Bratton 6 Citizenship	Elisa	Always using lovely manners, as well as being ready and respectful in everything you do. You are a pleasure to have in our class. Well done Elisa.
Bratton 7 Academic	Alex	For working hard in maths this week. You have been working hard on your recall of times tables and pushing to make sure you are completing the reasoning and problem-solving questions each day. Well done Alex
Bratton 7 Citizenship	Gabriella	For demonstrating our school value of compassion and service. You always help your peers and adults within the classroom. Every morning, you greet Miss Jones with a huge smile and positive attitude. Keep it up!



# Bratton's Bright Star Award

Class	Pupil (First Name)	Reason why a Bratton Bright Star
Bratton 8 Academic	Archie	For refocusing in writing and producing his best work when writing instructions. Archie was smart with his editing skills making sure he didn't make any careless mistakes.
Bratton 8 Citizenship	Brilee	For being a kind calm member of our class who is a good friend to everyone. We are very lucky to have you in our class, keep it up Brilee.
Bratton 9 Academic	Maryam	For her excellent grasp of decimals and brilliant work ethic. Keep it up. Well done
Bratton 9 Citizenship	Ezra	For his bright happy nature, his brilliant attitude to performing in class and willingness to always help out other classmates. Well done.
Bratton 10 Academic	Millie	For fantastic effort when writing your riverside animal fact file this week. You have worked hard and showed enthusiasm for learning—keep it up!
Bratton 10 Citizenship	Daisy	For being an amazing role model. You are always ready, respectful and safe.
Bratton 11 Academic	Emily	For demonstrating excellent focus and resilience when editing and redrafting your biography, ensuring greater accuracy and improving the quality of your writing.
Bratton 11 Citizenship	Amelia	For showing kindness, care and consideration towards your classmates.
Bratton 12 Academic	Aiden	For making sure you put your best effort into writing and editing your biography on Dr Barnardo.
Bratton 12 Citizenship	Sophie R	For always showing our value of compassion. You are kind, friendly and incredibly helpful to everyone you meet.
Bratton 13 Academic	Noah	For his use of more powerful vocabulary in his suspense story to paint a more vivid image in the reader's mind.
Bratton 13 Citizenship	Ashleigh	For showing our school value of compassion through her assistance to Mr Wilkes on the back playground at lunchtime supporting younger children with play.
Bratton 14 Academic	Khateeb	Taking time to check calculations in Maths to correct possible mistakes and ensure complete accuracy. Keep it up!
Bratton 14 Citizenship	Bobby	Volunteering to help organise our class for learning every morning in and doing so independent and mature manner.

## Attendance and Punctuality


1.5.26  
**Congratulations to!**  
Joint  
Second Place  
First Place  
With 98.75%  
Bratton 6  
and Bratton 8  
With 99.17%  
Bratton 5

**Congratulations to..**  
**5 classes with 0 LATES**  
B12    B14    B3  
B1                    B4

## House Points

4th place!  
418 house  
points!  
  
Wrekin!

**Stiperstones!**  
3rd place  
508 house points  


663 house  
points!  
2nd place!  
Haughmond!  


1st place!  
666 house  
points!  
Caer Caradoc!  


## SATs Practice





On Wednesday, Year 6 took part in their SATs practice morning, giving everyone an important opportunity to become familiar with the procedures ahead of the real tests. The highlight for many pupils was definitely the breakfast, which they thoroughly enjoyed! Throughout the morning, the children displayed our Christian values beautifully, entering into the spirit of the experience with maturity, positivity, and enthusiasm.

A huge thank you to Mr Wilkes, Mrs Lewis (Year 6), Mrs Harris, Miss Russell, Mrs Oakley, and Millie (Year 4) for their support with breakfast preparation and service. Thank you also to the Year 6 staff and all other members of staff who supported our wonderful Year 6 pupils so brilliantly. We are incredibly proud of them all.

### Supporting a Smooth Start to Reception



Is your child starting Reception in September at St. Peter's Bratton? Starting school is a big milestone for children and their families. A positive, well-supported transition into Reception helps children feel confident, secure and ready to learn.

We would like to share a set of free, practical resources created through the national Starting Reception initiative. These resources are designed to support parents and carers in preparing their child for school through everyday routines and simple activities at home.

### Starting Reception Resources for Parents

- Starting Reception website:  
<https://startingreception.co.uk/>
- Starting Reception Guide (downloadable PDF):  
<https://startingreception.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Starting-Reception.pdf>

The guide explains the key skills children benefit from practising before starting school, such as growing independence, communication, emotional readiness and managing daily routines.

### Additional Helpful Guides

Two further guides focus on important aspects of school readiness:

- **Potty Training Guide**  
Website: <https://startingreception.co.uk/potty-training>
- **Children's Toothbrushing Guide**  
Website: <https://startingreception.co.uk/toothbrushing/>

Developing confidence with toileting and establishing healthy habits such as brushing teeth twice a day are important steps in helping children feel comfortable and independent when they start school.

By working together and sharing consistent messages, we can help ensure every child gets the very best start as they transition into Reception.

Thank you for your continued support.

### Friends PTA Colour Run



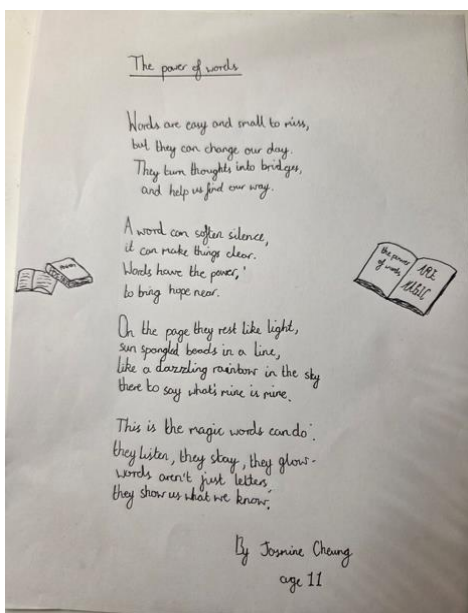
We are very excited to be holding our Colour Run on **Friday 15th May**. Sponsor forms will be sent home by the Friends of St Peter's PTA, and all sponsorship money raised will help us to improve our outdoor play facilities, including the addition of new structural play equipment for the children to enjoy. On the day, children are welcome to come into school dressed in suitable clothing for the Colour Run. This promises to be an exciting and fun event for the whole family, and we are delighted to be involving members of our local community, including the Fire Service, who will be joining us to help make the day extra special.

## Happy 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday



Last week we had a very special celebration as we surprised Ms Griffiths on her 60th birthday! She had no idea what was coming when she walked into the hall to find all of the children had quietly sneaked in ahead of her in complete silence — a surprise she certainly won't forget! There were lots of smiles all round as she sat in special chair. We would love to wish Ms Griffiths a very Happy Birthday.

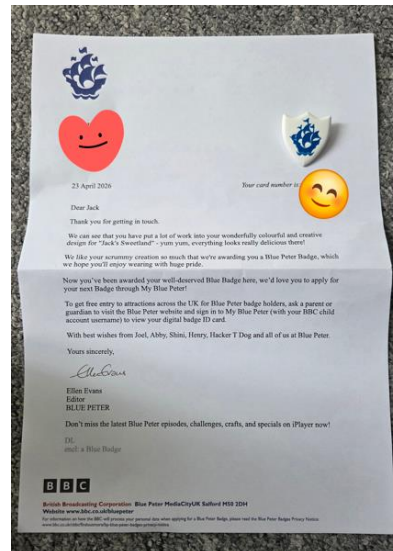
## Pupils We Are Proud Of



**Congratulations go to Jasmine who has recently won the Peggy Harrison Poetry Competition in Wellington Library. Well Done Jasmine 🐣**



Jasmine has completed her 1 mile swimming badge at the weekend which is 64 lengths of the swimming pool. Well Done Jasmine 😊



Jack would love to share with everyone that he has got a Blue Peter Badge for his drawing of 'Jacks Sweetland'. Well Done Jack 😊



**Congratulations to Max who scored a goal in the last match of the season for his football team and was rewarded with Man of the Match. Well Done Max 😊**



**Penelope is really proud to receive her Start and Discover Paddlesports awards after completing a course in kayaking with Junior Sea Cadets over the Easter break. Well Done Penelope 😊**



Seb and Myles got these medals playing at the UK's largest football tournament in Minehead. Well Done 😊



Finally, we would like to offer our heartfelt thanks to all our staff for their dedication, care and hard work, which make such a positive difference every day. We are incredibly proud of all our children and the effort, kindness and enthusiasm they show in school. As we head into the bank holiday weekend, we hope you enjoy some special time together and whatever you choose to do. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed after the break.

Mrs Welsh 😊 xx

## Wraparound

A reminder that May Holiday Club is live on MCAS to book, bookings for this close on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm. After this we cannot accept any late bookings unless a genuine emergency.

Holiday club is £25 per day.

Children need to bring their lunchbox and anything for a morning and afternoon snack. (No NUTS please)

They can also bring their bike/scooter to club, with a helmet. Anything brought from home is the child's responsibility to look after while at club.

May Holiday Club 2026	INDOOR	SNACK AM	BAKING	OUTSIDE	CRAFT	LUNCH	INDOOR	SNACK PM	OUTSIDE
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	FREE PLAY		Cookie Monster biscuits	PARK	Build a bumble bee		Shrink art		FREE PLAY
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	FREE PLAY		Baguettes	PARK	Bird nest craft		Quiz		FREE PLAY
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	FREE PLAY		Jam/Lemon tarts	PARK	Crown making		Bracelet making		FREE PLAY
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	FREE PLAY		Biscoff rocky road bars	PARK	Build a butterfly		Colouring sheets		FREE PLAY



We have had a busy first few weeks back after Easter! We're ready of a long weekend with our families 😊

We have been doing some exciting Maths over the last 3 weeks so we thought we would share that with you!

In week 1 we were looking at length and height. We had fun measuring ourselves outside!



In week 2 we got the balancing scales out and weighed some different items from around the classroom. We even became human scales!



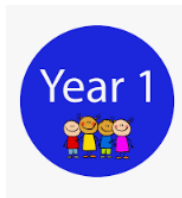
This week, we have been looking at the composition of 6 and 7! We created our own structures using cubes and had to describe the colours to show how we knew the total!

Penny told us,  
"3 and 3 make



Lilly knows  
that, "3 and 4  
makes 7."





**This week we have been exploring the artist Molly Haslund and her use of spirals using different mediums. A spiral is a curly shape that goes round and round. Molly Haslund uses spirals in her art to show movement and energy. We looked at spirals made in different ways, like drawing and making shapes. Some spirals are small and some are big. The spiral never really ends, which makes it interesting. We talked about how using different materials can change how the spiral looks and feels. We also tried making our own spirals in art.**





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## Diary Dates

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