



## Petersgate Post: 11th July 2025

### Mrs Mitchell's 'Message of the Week'

I cannot believe we are nearing the end of term. There will be one final newsletter before the end of term.

This week school reports will be coming home with your child. These reports will come with a covering letter explaining the results and information you have received.

I have had the pleasure of reading the reports and it has been a joy seeing how much progress each and everyone of the children have made. I hope you take the time to celebrate with your child/ren their wonderful achievements!

### Parent Survey

Please don't forget to complete the parent survey by Friday 18th July. As mentioned in my communication, please be respectful in your responses.

[CLICK HERE](#)

or copy and paste this link into your web browser  
<https://forms.office.com/e/p92rPVjM2J>

### PoPS Summer Festival—

Our Summer Festival was a great success and we would like to thank all the families and extended families who attended. Personally, I want to thank **Beth, Natalie and Nick**, as well as, the whole **PoPS team** for their hard work and organisation leading up to the event and during the event too.

This festival marks the end of a really successful year of PoPS fundraising. We are proud to announce that the Summer Festival raised **£2,523.26** for the school. **THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH!**

As per my previous communication, the money raised supports school improvement priorities, this year being the outdoor learning curriculum. The money raised also supports the subsidies for school trips, music lessons for Key Stage 1, the PSHE SCARF curriculum, as well as, year group resources. It also helps to fund events for your children. If you want to find out more regarding the PoPS funding, or want to join the PoPS team, then please contact Beth or attend the annual AGM. This normally takes place in October/November time.



### Attendance and Punctuality for 30th June to 11th July

Whole School Attendance = **93.87%**  
(National Average = 94.5%)

Best Attendance: **Fox class = 98.15%**

Best Timekeepers: **Squirrel class (on time everyday!!)**

## Safeguarding and Health/Well-being

As the temperatures rise, families across Hampshire are making the most of the sunshine - whether it's splashing in the garden paddling pool, exploring local lakes and rivers, or spending a day at the beach. Swimming and being in the water is really good for well-being but there are some serious safety messages around swimming and water play.

Summer is a time for fun and relaxation, but it's also important to stay vigilant around water. Warmer weather is directly linked to a rise in accidental drownings, making water safety more crucial than ever.

Tragically, drowning remains one of the leading causes of accidental death in children. In 2024, there were 136 accidental drownings across the UK, with the highest number of fatalities occurring in the months of May and August. Male children and young people aged 10 to 19 were identified as the highest group for accidental drownings ([Waid 2024 Summary for England](#)).

### Drowning is Preventable

Children of all ages should be taught how to stay safe around water. This includes understanding the risks not only at the beach or in rivers and lakes, but also at home - where paddling pools, hot tubs and ponds can also pose a danger.

The Water Safety Code provides essential and easy-to-remember information to help children and families plan for their activity and understand what they should do in an emergency:

#### The Water Safety Code

**STOP & THINK:** Look for the dangers. Always read the signs and understand what they mean.

**STAY TOGETHER:** Never go near water on your own. Always have an adult with you.

**FLOAT:** If you fall in, float or swim on your back and stay calm. Throw something that floats to someone who has fallen in.

**CALL 999 or 112:** In an emergency call 999 or 112 (for the coastguard)

Source: [RLSS UK Water Safety Code 2023](#)

### Support for Parents and Carers

To help families enjoy the summer safely, the Hampshire Safeguarding Children Partnership has created a [Water Safety Toolkit](#) that provides advice on the Water Safety Code and signposting to other organisations that can help in educating families and children on the dangers of water.

Access the toolkit at [Hampshire Safeguarding Children Partnership website](#).



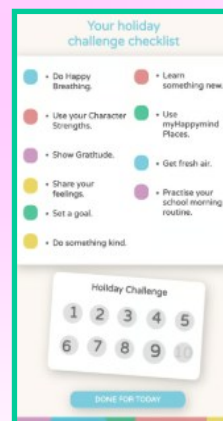
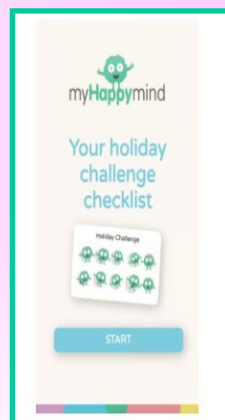


## myHappymind

As we head into the holidays, we're excited to inform you about the brand-new Holiday Checklist on the myHappymind Parent App. It's a brilliant way to help children keep practising their myHappymind habits during the holidays.

To find the checklist on the Parent App, simply:

1. Open the app
2. Click on Kids' Zone
3. Select myHappymind Checklists
4. Choose the Holiday Checklist



We are really proud to be part of the myHappymind family.

As a school, we have been gifted an opportunity to deliver a whole school programme to build positive mental health and well-being. This programme is endorsed by the NHS and is a fully funded programme.

myHappymind helps children to understand how their brain works and creates a culture that helps to build resilience, confidence, and self-esteem. myHappymind also teaches the children how to self-regulate and manage their emotions in stressful times, allowing them to be their very best selves!

We have already launched the programme with the children and parents/carers and families were invited to the physical launch. Further information was sent out to all families which included a letter outlining key information, parent presentation and link for a short video.

Thank you to all those who have signed up for the free parent app and I hope this helps you in supporting your child at home. Information of how to do this was in the letter but there are posters around school with the QR code and sign code to access the app. Please can we ask that this code is not shared with anyone else. The resources and materials will be on display during our parent consultation evenings coming up. The app QR code will be available to sign up then too.

We have also developed a section on our school website for parents/carers for mental health and well-being which signposts you to resources to help you at home.

Please [click here](#) or copy and paste this link into your web browser.

<https://www.petersgateinfantschool.co.uk/parents/mental-health-and-well-being-for-parents>