



# SAINT PETER AT GOWTS

## NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2025

### FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear St Peter's Families,

We are delighted to share some wonderful highlights from an exceptionally busy and heart-warming few weeks here at school. Thank you to everyone who took part in our recent parent questionnaires. We have been truly overwhelmed by the encouragement, positivity, and support shown for our school community. Your feedback means so much to us and strengthens our shared commitment to ensuring the very best for your children.

We also enjoyed celebrating World Hello Day, with children learning greetings from around the world and exploring different languages and cultures. The day created a wonderful atmosphere around school and helped us recognise the rich diversity within our own community.

Remembrance was marked with great respect and thoughtfulness. In school, pupils created art, poetry and took part in assemblies reflecting on the importance of remembrance. Representatives from our school attended the service at the Lincoln Cenotaph, where a wreath was laid on behalf of our community. We were also proud to participate in the Holy Cross Remembrance Event, where our pupils demonstrated exemplary behaviour and heartfelt respect.

We are honoured to have received recognition from The Princess Royal for our commitment to remembrance through the Holy Cross event, and we are hopeful that this may lead to a visit in the New Year- an incredibly exciting prospect for our school. You may also have seen us featured recently on ITV Calendar and BBC Look North, where our school was showcased and our pupils' contributions were highlighted.

Thank you once again for your continued support. We look forward to sharing more exciting news and achievements with you as the school year continues.

With warmest wishes,

Emily Mayer  
Headteacher



## FREEDOM: THEN AND NOW

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We are especially proud of our involvement in the national **Freedom: Then and Now** art project. This ambitious initiative, organised across the country, invited schools to explore themes of freedom, slavery, civil rights and human rights through creative work. Our pupils carried out in-depth research, learning about figures in the fight for equality, and modern human rights issues. They expressed their findings through paintings, poetry, and mixed-media art, presenting thoughtful, moving pieces that connect past and present. One of our pieces of work was chosen to be one of the key images at the University of Lincoln.



## FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

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We are delighted to share an update on the fantastic total raised at our Festival of Light Disco in November. It was one of our best-attended discos yet, and the children absolutely loved it! Thanks to your support, we raised an amazing **£561.51**. This is a wonderful start to our fundraising for the academic year, and every penny will go straight back into providing extra-curricular workshops and events for the children.

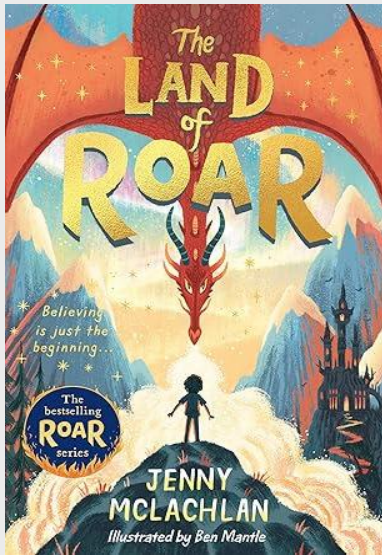
We are now busy working with teachers to plan our annual **Winter Extravaganza**, taking place on **18th December**. The cost is **£5 per child**, which covers a whole day off curriculum, filled with celebrations including class parties, party food, winter crafts, a snow-machine experience, and a visit from some very special guests! Tickets will be on sale soon, so please keep an eye on our school's Facebook and X pages (FB - St Peter at Gowts School Learning Community X - @Stpeteratgowts) as well as the Friends of Saint Peter at Gowts Primary School pages for updates.

This term is full of exciting events, including opportunities to purchase raffle tickets for our amazing Extravaganza Raffle. Please refer to your **'Dates for your Diary'** so you and your children don't miss out on any of the fun!

Thank you, as always, for your generosity and continued support. We truly appreciate everything you do to help make our school community so special.

## BOOK REVIEW

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### *Miss Foxcroft's Book Review*

*The Land of Roar* is a wonderfully imaginative start to a children's fantasy series and earns its place beside favorites like *The Chronicles of Narnia* and *How to Train Your Dragon*. I love a story that celebrates creativity while offering emotional depth, and this book does both.

The story follows eleven-year-old twins Arthur and Rose, who once played in the Land of Roar- an imaginative world entered through the folding bed in their grandad's attic. Roar is filled with dragons, mermaids, ninja wizards, and just enough spooky danger to keep readers eager for more. Now that the twins are older, Roar feels like a memory. Until Grandad is suddenly pulled through the bed and

disappears, forcing them to consider that their pretend world might be real.

Engaging, humorous, and heartfelt, *The Land of Roar* is an excellent choice for independent reading or a good bedtime story.

## DIARY DATES

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Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December - Random Acts of Kindness (throughout December)

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December - Year 2 Local Walk

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Nursery Rand Farm visit

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - St Peter's Museum

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - The Children's Society - donation boxes in school

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Y5 Family Worship

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December - School Clubs finish

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Caring Christmas Event

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Nursery Nativity at 10am

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Reception Class Nativity at 2pm

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December - Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity (2pm at Southside Lincoln)

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Jumper Day & Raffle prize for class hamper

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Lunch Day

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 Carol Concert (3.25pm in school playground)

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Winter Wonderland Film - Southside Lincoln

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Christingle Service in Church at 2pm

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December - Extravaganza Day & Christmas Raffle

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Children finish for Christmas break

# TERM DATES

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Please do take note of the term dates below and remember that every day in school is vital for all children.

## 2025-2026 Term Dates

Term 1 - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September to Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

**Term 2 - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

Term 3 - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Term 4 - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February to Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026

Term 5 - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

Term 6 - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June to Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

