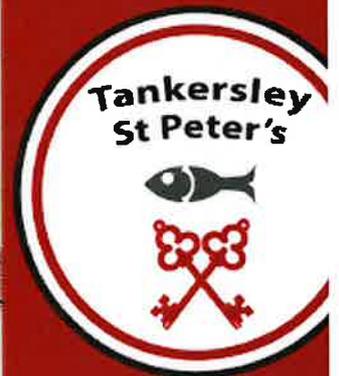
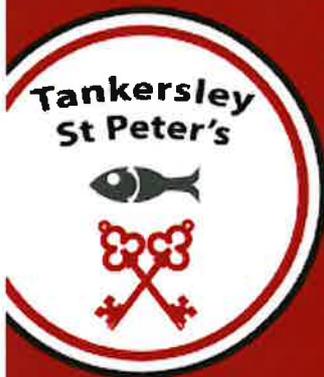


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Tankersley St. Peter's Primary School

Dear Tankersley Community



Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God, my Saviour and my hope is in you all day long.

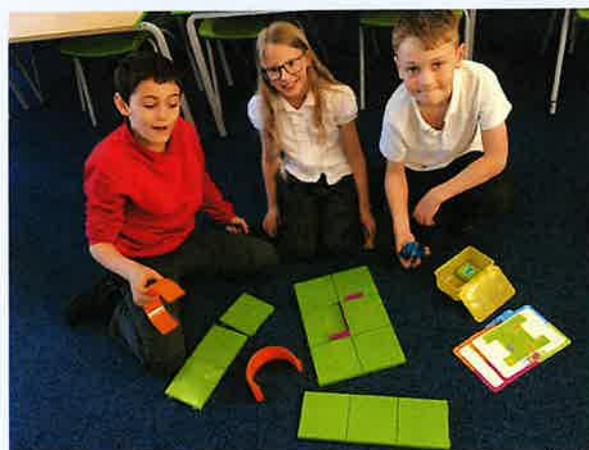
What an extraordinary week we have had here at Tankersley St Peter's. There is something rather special about witnessing our pupils engaged in learning that extends beyond the classroom walls, and this week has been a testament to the richness of experiences we are able to provide.

Our Year 3 pupils ventured to Castleton to explore the fascinating world of rock formations. It was truly remarkable to see them in their element—asking thoughtful questions, demonstrating impeccable respect, and embracing the day with genuine enthusiasm. The only casualties were an apple, rather cheekily stolen by a crow, and a trainer that fell victim to a yoghurt incident, but these minor mishaps only added to the adventure and the memories they will carry with them.

This week has also been one of considerable technological enrichment across Years 2 to 6, made possible through the generous support of our school fund.



Our Year 2 pupils experienced virtual reality through the eyes of Florence Nightingale, whilst Year 3 travelled back to Saxon times. Year 4 embarked on a journey through ancient Egypt, and our Year 5 pupils had the exceptional opportunity to work with robots—an experience so engaging that I found myself rather envious! Year 6, meanwhile, encountered the plague through virtual reality, I should assure you, entirely risk-free.



Today, Year 4 have been enjoying the brilliant hands-on learning that Amazelab has provided, concocting potions, witnessing the transformation of liquids into gases, and creating their own slime. The joy and wonder on their faces has been infectious.



Dates for your diary

2026							MARCH						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7							
8	9	10	11	12	13	14							
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28							
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20.3.26 Easter disco

24.3.26 class photos

24.3.26 Easter play to parents

25.3.26 Easter Church Service

25.3.26 Easter play to parents

30.4.26 Bake Off



Looking ahead, we are delighted to share our Easter Play with Year 3 and Year 4 parents next week, and we very much hope to see many of you at church.

Should you be attending, we kindly ask that you sit towards the back to ensure all our pupils have adequate seating.



More news from the classroom

I must take a moment to celebrate our Year 5 and Year 6 athletics team, who competed in the South Yorkshire finals this week. They faced formidable opposition—the two strongest teams from Doncaster, Rotherham, and Sheffield—and whilst they finished seventh out of eight teams, they achieved something of which we can all be tremendously proud: they are the strongest athletics team in Barnsley. Beyond the results, what struck me most profoundly was their conduct. They cheered their peers with genuine warmth, applauded their competitors with grace, and represented our school as true ambassadors. I would also like to extend heartfelt thanks to our parents who supported this venture. Without your commitment and encouragement, our pupils simply would not have had this remarkable opportunity. It is worth noting that many of the competing schools were three-form entry establishments, meaning they could select from approximately 180 pupils. Our smaller cohort made their achievement all the more commendable.



As I write, our Key Stage 2 gymnastics team is currently at a workshop, continuing to demonstrate the same ambassadorial spirit that makes me so proud.



This weekend I am hopefully going to insisit that Mr Harrison cuts the grass, and I handle the strimmer! I may also have a glass of grape juice tonight if I survive the 2 discos.

Have a lovely weekend