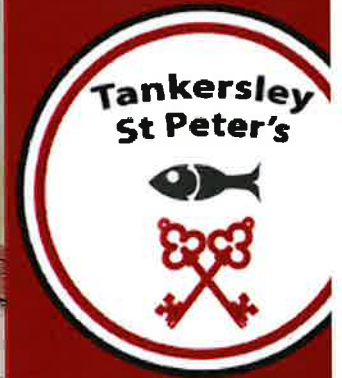


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# Tankersley St. Peter's Primary School

## Dear Tankersley Community



We are delighted to let you know that our application to the Tesco Grants Programme has been successful and our project, Healthy Starts, Stronger Minds will be put forward to a customer vote in both the Tesco store at Hoyland and the Tesco express Barnsley Huddersfield Road.

Voting commenced in store from Tuesday 28th April 2026 until the end of July 2026.

Our project is based around creating stronger minds and aims to support children struggling with emotional wellbeing and mental health by creating activities that promote resilience, including food and nutrition.

Please vote for us. The project with the highest number of votes will receive £1,500 the second placed project £1,000 and the third placed project £500.

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

KS2 parents; you are warmly invited to attend our Clyppings service, which will take place on Wednesday 20th May at 9.30 am in Tankersley Church. Clyppings is a long-standing tradition that celebrates unity and the strength of our community and we are honoured to be part of such a special and meaningful service.

Pupils from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will attend the service alongside staff. The school choir and worship band will be performing and there will also be a presentation of the Fenn Bibles—an important tradition linked to the Reverend William Mason Fenn, a former Rector of this parish (1864–1886).

We would be delighted if you could join us for this special occasion and help us continue to celebrate and preserve our local traditions.

What a privilege it has been to witness our pupils' learning come alive this week. On Monday, our journey to Bradford opened doors to understanding that no classroom could replicate. The children embarked on an educational experience that will stay with them for years to come—one that transcended the ordinary and touched something truly profound.

Our first destination was the Mosque, a space designed with deliberate intention.

The vast, open expanse spoke volumes through its simplicity; the uncluttered walls invited contemplation and focus. There was a quiet dignity in that emptiness, a canvas upon which understanding could be painted. The children absorbed this atmosphere with genuine curiosity, their questions thoughtful and their observations insightful.



# Dates for your diary

2026						MAY	
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
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4th May Bank holiday

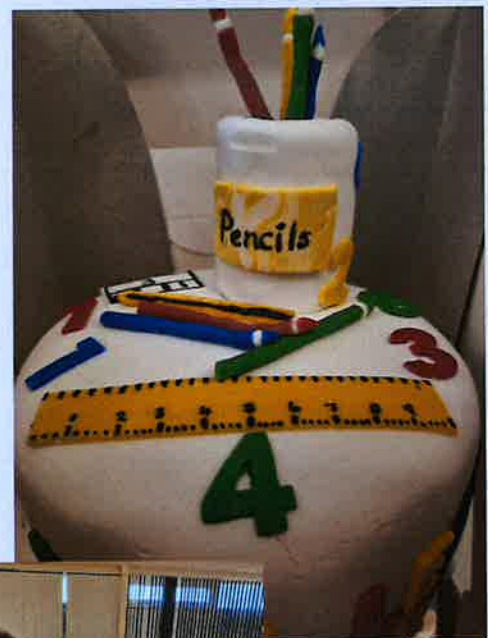
7.5.26 Zoolab for FS

11th-14th Y6 SATS (Y6 to attend free breakfast club)

15.05.26 Colour dash - Please wear old clothes or a white t-shirt (KS1-KS2)

20th May - Clippings service for KS2 @9:30

22.5.26 3:30p.m school closes for the May half term.



Drum Roll Please.....  
The Bake off results are in.....  
The winners  
EYFS & KS1 Elsie  
KS2 Alexander

Both winners received a bake off  
baking equipment hamper.

A massive thank you to all our  
amazing pupils for their fabulous  
cakes. The judges had some very  
difficult decisions to make.

Beyond the Bradford visit, this  
week has also been marked by our  
annual bake off competition. We  
were blown away by the entries  
and found it really hard to judge.

The judges were equally  
impressed by the quality and  
creativity on display. This event  
has reminded us of the wonderful  
talents within our school  
community.

I want to personally thank you all  
for supporting our school and  
Stand Up to Cancer—a cause that  
is very close to the hearts of so  
many in our community. Thank  
you also to everyone who  
attended the afternoon tea; your  
generosity and presence meant a  
great deal.

I would also like to extend special  
thanks to our Year 6 helpers, who  
were absolutely fantastic  
throughout the day, and a  
heartfelt shout out to the school  
council, who were simply  
amazing for the whole event.

Well done to Mrs. Hague and Mr.  
Bell the adult winners.

The adult winners (they were so  
good we had to go with 2)

**THANK YOU FOR STANDING UP TO  
CANCER, VICKY!  
WE'VE RECEIVED YOUR DONATION.**



## More news from the classroom

The contrast that followed was striking. We moved from stillness to vibrancy as we entered the Mandir, where yellows and oranges burst forth in celebration and colour. The warmth of the space seemed to embrace us, and the children's faces lit up with wonder. They were beginning to understand that faith communities express themselves in different ways, each beautiful in its own right.

But then came something extraordinary—a moment of pure serendipity that none of us could have anticipated. A Guru visiting from India was present at the Mandir at precisely the moment we arrived. To witness a Hindu service, to experience the rituals and reverence firsthand, felt like a once-in-a-lifetime gift. For approximately fifteen minutes, the children stood in rapt attention as bells chimed, candles flickered, voices rose in song and chant, and water was ceremonially offered to the congregation. It was unbelievable to watch.

What moved me most profoundly, however, was not the spectacle or the novelty of the experience. It was the conduct of our pupils. They stood respectfully, they listened intently, they observed without interruption or distraction. In those moments, they demonstrated the very values we work so hard to cultivate at Tankersley St Peter's: respect for others, openness to different perspectives, and a genuine appreciation for the diversity of human experience. I was incredibly proud of each and every one of them.

This trip exemplifies what we believe about education. Learning is not confined to textbooks or classrooms. It flourishes when pupils encounter the real world, when they engage with communities different from their own, and when they are given the space to reflect on what they have witnessed. Our pupils did all of this with grace and maturity.

Thank you to all those who made this experience possible.

This weekend I will be sleeping - it's been a very long week, but a very worthwhile week. I am taking my nephew Harry, to his first concert, we are going to see a Nirvana tribute band. Wish me luck.

