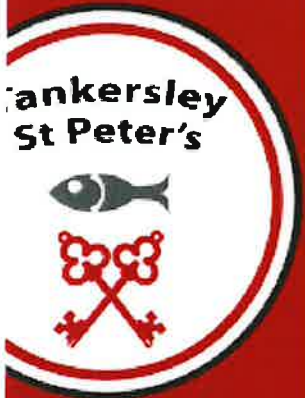


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# Tankersley St. Peter's Primary School

## Dear Tankersley Community



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

As we enter the final half term of the year, I find myself reflecting on just how much has happened already – and I must confess, I am not quite ready for this to be our last push towards summer!

Nevertheless, what a term it has been.

This week alone has been a whirlwind of activity and achievement. Our rugby team competed in the Barnsley finals on Wednesday, and I was absolutely thrilled to hear not only their exceptional performance but the remarkable spirit they demonstrated throughout. Coming joint second across the whole of Barnsley is a tremendous achievement, but what truly made me proud was the atmosphere they created – the way they worked together, cheered one another on, and represented our school with such distinction. These moments remind us of the value of teamwork and resilience.

Our Year 6 pupils have been equally impressive this week. Their creative writing about the relationship between Darth Vader and Luke Skywalker has been genuinely wonderful to read, showcasing the depth of thinking and imagination our older pupils are capable of. Beyond the classroom, they have also participated in a Compass Be workshop designed to support them as they prepare for the transition to Key Stage 3 and the challenge of making new friends in a much larger environment. I was particularly pleased with the information we sent home regarding peer pressure – it really is excellent guidance, and I must say, the emoji phone system suggestion is something I rather wish I had thought of when my own boys were younger!



Speaking of Year 6, I do have some homework for them this week, and it is rather practical in nature. During their residential last year, the pupils had to make up their own beds, and whilst I cannot be entirely certain what arrangements await us at our new destination, I can assure you that bed-making will definitely be required. I would be most grateful if you could ensure your child is able to put a quilt cover on – those of you who were with us last year will remember the hilarious outcomes when we attempted to teach this skill to some of our Year 6 boys! For our Year 5 pupils heading on residential, they will be bringing sleeping bags, but they will need to be able to put a bottom sheet on their mattress. These are important life skills that contribute to independence and self-care.



**Dates for your  
diary**

**JUNE**

15th to the 17<sup>th</sup> Y6 residential

19<sup>th</sup> June Y5 trip -Brownlee  
foundation.

24th June - Brass concert Y5

25-26<sup>th</sup> June Y5 residential

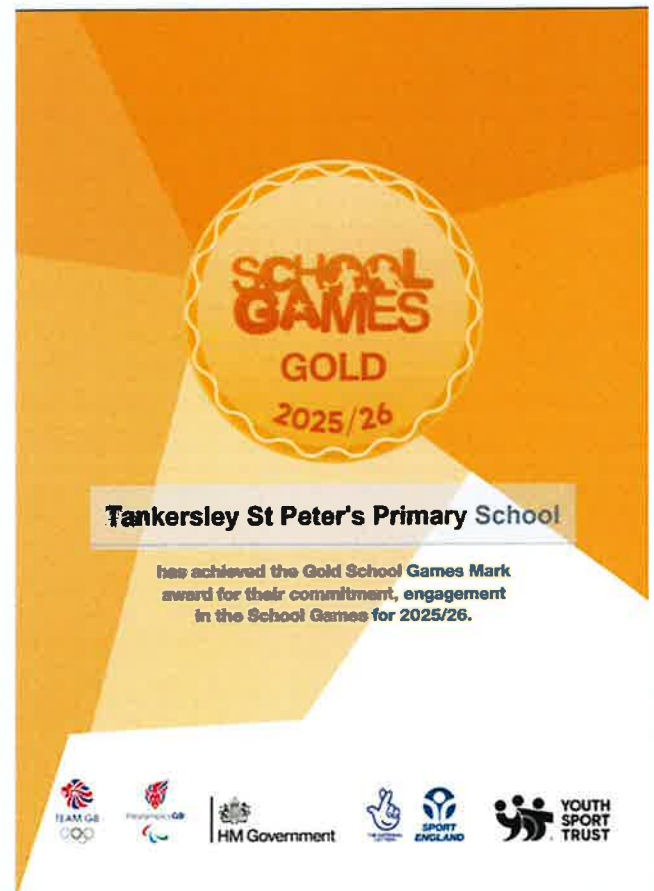


As a final reminder,  
please ensure that any  
snacks brought for  
residential contain **no  
nuts**. Additionally, we  
maintain a policy of no  
chocolate in school, and  
this aligns with the  
government's recent  
announcement  
regarding breakfast  
club provision.

We would also like to  
take this opportunity to  
congratulate Martha  
from Year 1, who is the  
Infant Runner Up in the  
Barnsley in Bloom  
Poster competition.  
Martha and her parents  
will be attending the  
presentation event at  
the Town Hall.  
Well done Martha!!

I would also like to draw your attention to an exciting initiative Mrs Crossley is undertaking. She is creating a new sports noticeboard celebrating all the local sports clubs and activities our pupils are involved in outside school. If your child attends a team or club, we would love to feature a photograph of them in action or in their kit. Please send these to school with a note indicating the name of the team or club. This will not only celebrate their achievements but also serve as inspiration and signposting for other pupils exploring local sporting opportunities..

*We are delighted to announce that we, have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2025/26 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success. A special thanks Mrs Crossley.*



This weekend, I am going out to celebrate a friend's birthday and then packing for the residential. I am hoping to be able to bank some sleep for the next week coming. Have a good weekend

