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Dear prospective parent,

At St Peter's we are a small school that is at the heart of a vibrant village community. We have 95 pupils currently on our roll and we operate four full time classes, with mostly mixed age classes and our oldest children – Year 6 – are taught in a single small class. Most of our staff have been with us for many years – making experience and stability two central features of life at St Peter's. The view from the rear of our school looks out onto our school field and then further back onto open pasture with horses grazing. The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) have raised £3000 this year to spend on improving our nature area and wildlife garden – something that I know parents value about our school.

Our staff team are also at the cutting edge of initiatives in education, for example Mrs Cavan, who teaches Year 4 & 5, is a specialist teacher in the Government-led drive to raise standards in mathematics teaching throughout the country and trains teachers from across the North West in this significant development. We have also got over twenty iPads in school, funded by our PTA, as well as interactive touchscreens in all classrooms – demonstrating that technology and creativity are also key to our success. Wouldn't you like your child to be part of such a school?

Our KS2 results last year were higher than the Lancashire average in all areas:

Expected level or higher	Reading	Writing	Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling	Maths
St Peter's	81.3%	87.5%	81.3%	81.3%
Lancashire	70.5%	76.9%	77.4%	75.1%

I know that many prospective parents, like yourself, ring school and ask about our Open Day. Our answer is this: we don't operate an Open Day because every day is a potential open day. We don't aim to showcase exciting activities and put our children on their best behaviour for a day. I know why other schools do this and that is their choice. We aim to provide a much more rounded and personalised approach, to give you the confidence to make such an important choice for your child.

Furthermore, our staff pride themselves on communication – we feel that we provide a very thorough and personal service to our parents. We put our pupils at the heart of everything that we do and have a family atmosphere – where we all look after one another. Parents often comment that they feel this on their journey around our school.

If you like the sound of our school and would like to find out more then please give us a call and arrange an appointment to meet us face to face.

You have still got plenty of time as primary school applications need to be submitted by 11:59 pm on Monday 15th January 2018; I look forward to meeting you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Daniel Ballard
Headteacher

"God helps us to learn, love, grow and play together on our exciting journey through our amazing school" Written by the children of Mawdesley St. Peter's



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