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O Lord, bless our school, help us to Take Care of ourselves, each other, the world and with our work.



Amen



Our House Teams ~ Our Christian Distinctiveness
Striving for Life in all its fullness [John 10:10](#)



Click on the hands to take you to a video of our school take care prayer in sign language.



Message from Mr Tomlinson

'Welcome back and happy New Year to everyone'

St Peter's is celebrating 160 years, this year.

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Memories from the community



Date of this picture unknown.

My dad, his sister and 3 brothers went to this school in the 30's and 40's when Mr Nelson Rhodes was headmaster. They lived directly opposite on Kneeton Road (where the grassed area is now, the houses that were there long gone) When my uncle broke his leg and was laid up in bed he thought he would have a holiday from school, but no, Mr Rhodes either sent dad or another student over the road with his school work 🤔

My sister is the may queen in that picture. My brother, sister, me then later my son went to St Peter's plus all my cousin's, we were all born in E/B.

Future Dates/Useful information - links at the top of the page.

Thank you for your continued support.

We value your trust in us.

Don't let issues grow.

Stay safe.

Stay connected.

Take Care.

Mr Tomlinson.

Head Teacher

Was at St Peters when Mr Powell was head. He was incredible and have such fond memories of Mr Thomas's school plays. Great times and happy memories

Was there when we buried a time memory capsule under the then WI hut at the start of the field next to the school.

Will be making an effort to come back this summer with the family for a weekend to run around the 'twitchels' from croft rise to the field.



We have had three generations attend St Peter's with fond memories!






If you or your family have memories or photos you are happy to share from St. Peter's please get in touch newsletter@st-peters.notts.sch.uk. Thank you.

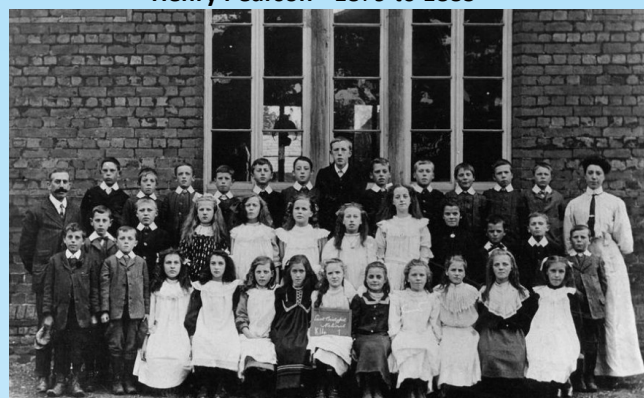
Our history section of the school website <https://www.eastbridfordstpeters.co.uk/school-history/> will be updated soon as more photos have been found and to include the memories and photos that are being received.

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James Gill - January 1864 to October 1864
Frederick Storey - 1864 to 1867
James Gill - January 1867 to August 1867
R Meats - 1867 to 1868
Augustus Savage - 1868 to 1876
N C Hall - 1876 to 1877
Edward Wall - 1877 to 1879
Henry Pearson - 1879 to 1885

St. Peter's Headteachers

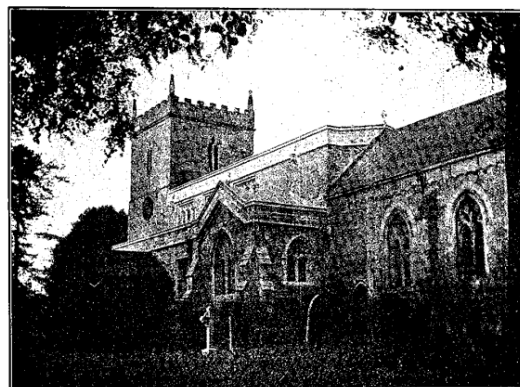
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|  1885—1923 Mr Henry Goldston |  1923—1957 Mr Nelson Rhodes |
|  1957—1970 Mr Hugh Rees |  1970—1994 Mr Garth Powell |
|  1994—2017 Mr David Maddison |  2017 - Mr Richard Tomlinson |



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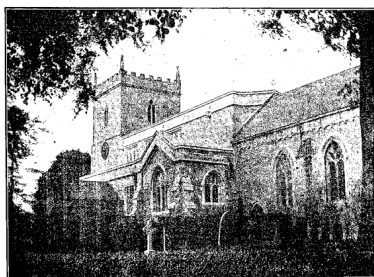


St. Peter's Church, East Bridgford.

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April, 1923.

EAST BRIDGFORD MAGAZINE.



St. Peter's Church, East Bridgford.

The resignation of Mr. Henry Goldston, of his post as Head Teacher in the School will be received with regret by all. Mr. Goldston has been our Schoolmaster and Organist in our Church for 37 years, and by long and faithful service has earned an honourable retirement, which will take effect at Easter. There are many parochial interests and institutions in which he has taken a helpful and active interest, and the greater part of the present generation of inhabitants of this village will remember with gratitude the quiet and firm teaching they have received in school under him.

The School will re-open on April 9th under Mr. Nelson Rhodes who has been appointed as School Master on the resignation of Mr. Goldston. We offer him our best welcome, and hope that he and his wife will find a comfortable home and congenial work in East Bridgford.

It is arranged that on Thursday, March 29th, at 3 p.m. in the School, we shall bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Goldston. A presentation will be made of a wallet containing a gift in money, and an illuminated and framed address, in the following words:—

EAST BRIDGFORD.
1885—1923.
To Mr. HENRY GOLDSTON.

We, the inhabitants of East Bridgford, fellow-workers, and other friends, desire to express our regret at parting with you after your residence in this Village for 38 years.

In your work as School Master, as Organist of the Parish Church, as Secretary of the Horticultural Society, in the Cricket Club, Allotments Association, and other parochial organizations, you have shown a wide sympathy, and have come into close relation with the lives and interests of all ages and over a long period. We therefore ask you to accept the accompanying gift as an assurance of our appreciation and our thanks; and sincerely hope that you and Mrs. Goldston will long enjoy a well-earned rest, and a happy recollection of your life's work in East Bridgford.





Mr Hugh Rees was appointed in 1957. His chief interests were Rural Studies, Art and Craftwork. He was the Secretary of the Nottinghamshire Rural Studies Association and a Past President of the South Notts. Head Teachers' Association.

For many years, the school functioned as an all range school, which provided elementary education for East Bridgford and Newton Village children. In 1924 the children of Kneeton were added. During the Second World War, evacuee children from the Sheffield area came to the village. The first contingent of children from the Royal Air Force Camp at Newton arrived here in 1945. Immediately there were accommodation problems. The school was reorganised into a Junior and Infant mixed School in 1950 when the Senior children were transferred to the Robert Thoroton Secondary School and later to the Toot Hill Secondary School, Bingham

INTRODUCING THE NEW HEADMASTER is best done by quoting his own words - "Although born in Wales, I have now made Nottingham my home and I have been here since 1958. My first teaching appointment after leaving Kesteven Training College, Stoke Rochford, was in Grimsby where I taught for one year. I then moved to the city of Nottingham where I taught in 3 schools before moving to the Deputy Headship at Arno Vale Junior School, Woodthorpe. During the academic year 1960 - 61, I did a year's teaching in the U.S.A. finding myself in a very pleasant suburb of Chicago. I bring to East Bridgford therefore a varied teaching experience which I hope will prove beneficial to the school and children.

I must confess that prior to my appointment I had only once visited the village, and having been here still just a few weeks there is much for me to explore and discover. I am sure that I am going to be very happy at the school and feel already that I have been accepted as part of the community. It is a slow process getting to know everyone but I am sure that by the end of the year progress will have been made in this respect.

I am pleased that an organisation exists to promote good relationships between school and home namely "The Friends of East Bridgford School". Membership of the association is open not only to parents of children at the school, and I would like to invite anyone who has any interest in education or the school community to join. The staff and I will be doing our very best for the children but it is only with the support of the parents and community that we can provide the finest possible education and opportunities for them"

Garth Powell

**ST PETER'S CHURCH
EAST BRIDGFORD**

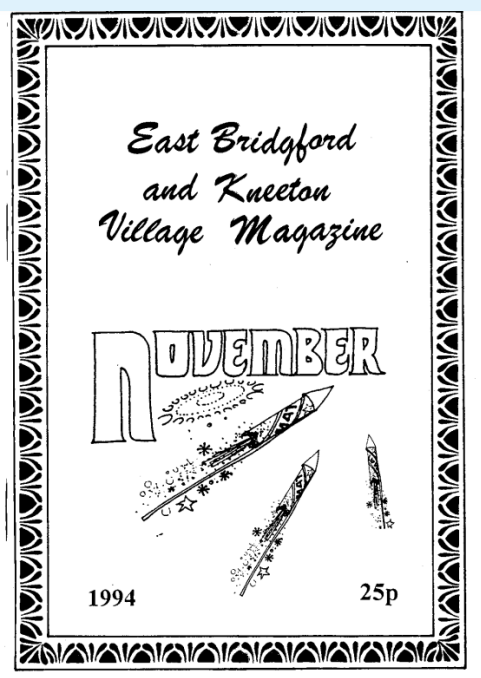
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HAVE
YOU
VOLUNTEERED
to help
HARVEST HAPPENINGS**

NEWS SHEET OCTOBER 1970

PRICE 6d.



1991 Royal Air Force, Defence Animal Centre, Newton came to visit.



ST. PETER'S SCHOOL NEWS

The school had a barbecue on June 30th and we raised £800 for the School Fund. On July 6th, classes 3 & 4 went to Twycross Zoo. There were 200 kinds of monkeys there. The school had Sports Day on July 5th, Scrope won.

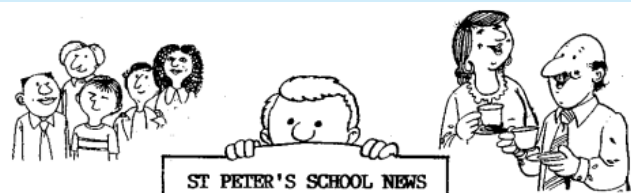
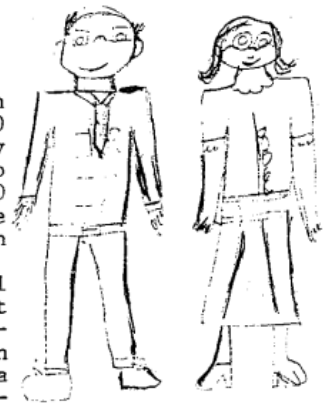
On July 19th, the school did a Concert. We called it 'The Golden Oldies'. Mr Powell presented the children with a present, it was a stone sundial. He was presented with lots of presents including a sun chair, scales, posh hose-pipe and items for his caravan. Many thanks to the children and parents past and present who contributed to it.

On July 21st the infants had their Concert. They did a play about Tiny Tim.

On July 22nd Mr Powell's Farewell Barbecue happened. 100 people came. Past and present members of staff were there along with Governors. He was presented with a painting of the school, a pair of engraved glasses and a mini hi-fi system.

On the last day we had a Farewell Assembly for Mr Powell. He was given a painting of children playing outside the main entrance. Many children of all ages had helped with it. **WE WOULD ALL LIKE TO WISH MR POWELL A LONG AND HAPPY RETIREMENT.**

Sarah Elliot (8) Class 3



This has been a busy half term. Our new Headteacher Mr Maddison is funny and will make a good Headteacher. We all hope he will enjoy his time here.

The World's Biggest Coffee Morning was a success, and 50 people came. It was held on Sept. 30th, and we were able to send £45 to the Macmillan Cancer Fund.

At our Harvest Festival, which was held on Oct. 3rd, we welcomed back Mrs Sturgeon from the fund for the Cernavoda Hospice in Romania. She showed us some slides and was grateful for all the things we had brought in.

This half-term we have had an interesting visitor. His name was Mr Peter Hammond, an Archaeologist, who found some amazing pottery in Margidvnm. I interviewed Katherine Sapey from class 3. This is what she said: "It was very interesting. My favourite items were the coins and the ancient jewellery. Afterwards we drew some of the items".

Class 6 went to Safeway and looked at the bakery, the warehouse, had a go on the tills, saw the computer room and ate pizza that was made in the store!

This half-term we've done lots of sports. We entered in the Cross Country. It was a wet Saturday, at Berry Hill in Mansfield, but we still did well.

We played in a mini tournament in Hockey and drew both matches. Robert Oxby was in goal, and he was excellent.

We have a teacher for Rugby who is teaching Class 5 and there is a teacher to teach Class 6 Lacrosse.

We have introduced a new choice system for dinners and have new 'flight trays'. Harriet Withers was interviewed and she said: "I like them because they give you a choice, and I like the trays. My favourite meal is turkey dinosaurs and chips." Now lots more children are staying for dinners".

Lisa Sapey
Class 6

Over the next few weeks, there will be further history of the school, so watch this space!

St Peter's PTFA Christmas gifts & treats amnesty

Happy New Year!
We are collecting items for future PTFA events!
We'd love your unopened, left over boxes of chocolates, biscuits, bottles, duplicate gifts or smelly sets etc.

Please pop them in the boxes outside the school office.
Thank you!

Vale of Belvoir Rotary

serving the communities of Bingham, Cotgrave, Radcliffe-on-Trent and the villages in the Vale

Junior School Art and Photographic Competition

Theme for 2024 is
"WATER AND SEA LIFE"
life in/on rivers, lakes and sea.

Entry is open to:
years 3 and 4 (category 1)
years 5 and 6 (category 2)

All work must be presented for judging by
Friday 1st March 2024

Competition rules and media disclaimer can be found on our website:

<https://www.eastbridfordstpeters.co.uk/latest-news-documents/>

All entries to Mr Tomlinson by Wednesday 21st February but please don't bring in before February Half Term Thank you.



73 entries sent to Young Writers comp just before Christmas! All of LKS2 had the chance to enter and what an excellent return we had.

SPIRITUAL MORAL SOCIAL CULTURAL

(SMSC) & British Values.
Theme for next week:

Working together // Collaboration // Spirit
Keeping going against all odds
Matthew 2.13-15

Name 3 things a good team needs.



Out of School Achievements

Please email: newsletter@st-peters.notts.sch.uk

Kacie from Year 2 has just graded in Ju-Jitsu and gained orange-white belt. We are so proud of her!

