



Diocese of Westminster
SS. Peter & Paul
Catholic Primary School

Head Teacher: Miss T M Peters



18th January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our second week back has been a busy week in the classrooms.

Football Team

Well done to our Football Team. The boys played Hugh Myddleton. Despite the awful weather they did a brilliant job maintaining their excellent attitudes and demonstrating high levels of perseverance. The match ended 0-0 but had everyone on the edge of their seats the whole time. Well done.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club begins at 8:00 and is **now available from Nursery to Year 6**. The children can have cereal, toast or fruit. **Children must take breakfast as soon as they come in, rather than play and then decide they would like food just before they adults take them to their class.** Children will not be admitted after 8:30am. Daily cost is £2.50 per day. Parents/ Carers can pay in advance or on the morning they drop off.

Singing Assembly

Today we had a singing assembly led by the Director of Music, St. Anselm and St. Caecilia Church Holborn, Mr Balkwill. During the assembly, the children learned two Latin songs and a traditional hymn. Mr Balkwill would like to invite singers from Year 2-6 to join his choir and sing for Sunday Mass. The children would rehearse on Fridays from 4:15-5:15. It is an excellent opportunity for any budding singers, or those more interested in learning parts of the Mass songs in Latin. There will also be an opportunity to learn how to read music from sight. Anyone interested can contact Miss C McGuinness for more details.

Year 6 Assembly

Year 6 Assembly will take place at 9:30 on Friday the 25th January.

Punctuality

Children who arrive to school once the gates are closed are considered late and will receive a red card. If you child receives 3 red cards in the space of two weeks, a meeting will be called with parents/carers. Arriving late is disruptive to the class and can lead to children feeling unsettled and not ready for their day of learning.

Please be reminded that the gates open at 8.45am. In light of an incident on Amwell Street on Wednesday evening, please ensure children are brought to and collected from school by a responsible adult.



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Attendance

Congratulations to Year 3 for achieving 99.33% attendance, the highest attendance across the school for this week. Please note that expected attendance for Islington schools is 96+%.

Attendance Meetings

Parents/ Carers will be contacted to attend an attendance meeting if their child's attendance has dropped below the expected 96%. (Islington target)

Parents Evening Date

Parents Evening will take place on the 20th March 2019. Meetings will take place from 1:50pm onwards, therefore school will finish at 1:30pm on this day. After school provision will take place as normal, and Ms Lesley will have the regular children from 1:30 onwards.

Any parents/ carers struggling to make arrangements to have their child collected at 1:30pm can speak to either Miss C McGuinness or myself.

Packed lunches

Can parents/carers of children that have packed lunches ensure that they are sending in a healthy packed lunch? Some children have lunch boxes full of biscuits, cakes, and unhealthy bars that sometimes are confused as being healthy, but have a very high sugar, salt and fat counts.

Here is the advice given by public health.

Foods that a healthy lunch box should include:

- A good portion of starchy food, for example wholemeal roll or bread, wraps, pitta pocket, pasta or rice salad.
- Plenty of fruit and vegetables, for example an apple, satsuma, handful of cherry tomatoes or carrot sticks, mini-can of fruit chunks in natural juice or a small box of raisins.
- A drink of semi-skimmed milk or a portion of dairy food, for example individual cheese portion or pot of yogurt.
- A portion of lean meat, fish, eggs or beans, for example ham, chicken, beef, tuna, egg or hummus.
- A drink, for example semi-skimmed milk or water.

Remember, foods high in fat and sugar should be restricted. Nutritional standards for schools lunches do not allow sweets, chocolate or savoury snacks such as crisps, fizzy drinks and other high sugar drinks to be served at lunch times.



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PTA

Year 6 Cake Sale will take place on Thursday 24th January.

Please see your class reps about bringing in cakes and helping to sell them.

Word on Wednesday

Sunday's Gospel reminds us that Jesus is many things to many people i.e. Teacher, healer etc. but Peter realises the truth about Jesus and recognises him as the Christ - the son of the living God.

"Each encounter with Jesus changes our life." Pope Francis

Have a good weekend

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