



Diocese of Westminster
SS. Peter & Paul
Catholic Primary School

Head Teacher: Miss T M Peters



8th February 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Number Day

What a fantastic turn for number day. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and carers that managed to join us for our wonderful number celebration in conjunction with raising money for the NSPCC. Many thanks to Miss Kay for putting so much effort into making today such a success.

Miss Hollie Major, our Year 1 Teacher, is running the Brighton Marathon and with all proceeds going to the NSPCC. So far, we have collected £244.54. AMAZING.

St Josephine Bakhita Day

Friday 8th February is the Feast of St Josephine Bakhita – the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. On this day we are called and encouraged to pray for all those affected by the crimes of modern slavery and human trafficking. Her life was a journey from slavery to freedom and faith. She is a true role model of forgiveness, and faith in times of gruelling adversity, and perseverance which is the reason behind St Josephine Bakhita being chosen as one of our House Saints. This year we are asked to pray especially for victims of forced labour and labour exploitation.

Year 4 Class Assembly

Year 4's assembly will take place on **Thursday the 14th February at 9:30**. All welcome.

Attendance

Letters are being sent out next week to parents if their child's attendance has fallen below 90%. Please be mindful that attendance comes under the umbrella of Safeguarding, and therefore when children are not in school for a significant number of sessions, it can be referred on to the relevant authorities who deal with Keeping Children Safe.

The class with the highest attendance this week is: Year 2 with 98.93%. Well done!

Polite Reminder

Please do not approach parents or carers regarding matters that take place in school. If there are any issues that you would like dealt with, please make an appointment with the class teacher for before or after school to discuss them. Please also note that parents are not permitted to enter the school building Year 2-6 or classrooms at the beginning of the school day for any reason. Messages can be given to the office to pass to the class teachers.



End of Half Term

School finishes on **Thursday 14th at 3:15pm** for half term. School will not be open on Friday at all, as all staff are attending an Inset day.

School starts again on **Monday the 25th February.**

Reading Letters

Although this is preaching to the converted, can all parents/ carers encourage fellow parents and carers to read our school newsletter. We still have many people missing out on key information because they are not checking the newsletter and/or are not signed up to Classlist.

Jewellery

Children are not permitted to wear jewellery to school with the exception of watches. Earrings must have plasters over them for the initial 6 weeks only after they have been pierced, then they must be removed for school.

Punctuality

Miss McGuinness has recorded all of the late children for the last week. This will continue until we have a dramatic improvement on the number of daily late children. School starts at 8:55am. Our school gate closes at 9:00am. Any time after this, your child is considered late and will receive a red card. If your child receives three red cards within a two week period, you will be called to a formal meeting.

Please take note of the impact that being late has been proven to have:

5 minutes late a day = 3 days lost
10 minutes late a day =6.5 days lost
15 minutes late a day = 10 days lost
20 minutes late a day =13 days lost
30 minutes late a day = 19 days lost

PTA

PTA - School Disco - Saturday 9/2/19 - 4.30 to 6.00 in Church Hall

Booking is now closed.



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Please ensure your details are correct when dropping your child.

Collection is 6.00 sharp!

No mobile phone on the dance floor.

PTA - Valentine's raffle

Love is the air... ticket sales are doing well. There are still a few more days to buy yours.

A warm thank you to all the parent reps who are selling the raffle tickets.

PTA - Waitrose Clerkenwell Green token

We are currently the charity with the most green tokens at our local Waitrose branch. But another charity is just behind us. Let's increase the gap and put your token in at every visit! Thank you.

PTA - Second Hand Fancy Dress and Uniform Sale

This event will take place just after half-term. Parents will have the opportunity to buy a fancy dress or a costume for World Book Day (7th March).

Please donate your outgrown fancy dress and costume!

PTA - Join the scheme!

Join easyfundraising and you can collect free donations for us every time you buy something online. It won't cost you a penny extra so please help us to raise funds.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/spandsprcs/>

Wednesday Word

The theme explored in Sunday's Gospel is our own need to follow Jesus.

"To follow Jesus means to share his love for every human being."

Pope Francis

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss T Peters

Head Teacher