



St. Peter & St. Paul Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Tracey Peters

Friday 25th October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of a very busy and exciting half term. When we come back after half term the clocks will have gone back and the nights will be drawing in! We have much to celebrate this half term and I am sure you will agree the children of St Peter and St Paul have made us all very proud. Look at what we have been up to this week.

Prayer Life of the School

We have been collecting food all week for Harvest Festival and children have been writing their own harvest prayers in different classes. The Pupil Chaplaincy Team and some Caritas members took lots of food to the food bank on Tuesday. Thank you for all your contributions. They will be very gratefully received.



Praise be to you, O God,
source of life and goodness.
You fill the earth with abundance
and love all that you have made.
As we join creation in singing your glory,
teach us to care for our common home.

Praise be to you, O God,
revealed in Jesus, God with us.
We hear the call of the Carpenter,
to carve a path to a better future.
Guide our hands to repair what's broken,
to build a just and peaceful world.
Amen

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CAFOD Fundraiser



The 4th of November which is the first Monday back after half term will be a mufti (own clothes) day. We will be raising money for the desperate situation in the Middle East. Please bring £1 and wear your own clothes.

November – A month of Remembrance

All Saints Day, All Souls' Day and the Poppy Appeal

It is All Saints Day on the 1st November and All Souls' Day on the 2nd of November. We pray as a school during this Season of Remembrance for all our loved ones who have died and for all those who have lost their lives in service in our armed services and around the world.

There will be a Book of Remembrance in the front entrance of the school after half term for you to write your intentions for loved ones who have died.

Our Poppy Appeal will run from the 4th to the 8th November. If you would like to purchase a poppy bring in your money that week.



Steel Pan Performance

As part of our Black History Month celebrations, on Tuesday the whole school was rocking to the tunes of The Steel Pan Agency. They played something for everyone from Baby Shark to The Calypso. All the children had a brilliant time learning about the origins of steel pan music and the instruments. In the morning Miss Pryce was grooving with children from her class as the parents also got a performance. Fun was had all round!



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Roman Workshop

The children in Year 4 took part in a virtual workshop from the London Mithraeum where they learnt about life in Roman London. They looked at artefacts and had to guess what they were. Some of the artefacts included Roman coins, an oil burner and a tablet that was covered in wax and was used to write on.



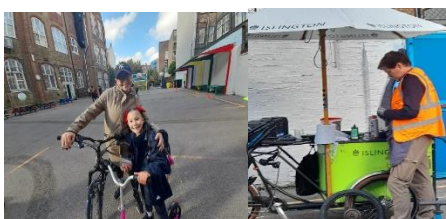
Year 3 Class Assembly

On Thursday Year 3 put on an amazing assembly which taught us all about the Christian Family and the Sacrament of Baptism. The children had learnt their lines perfectly and raised the roof off the hall with their beautiful singing. A huge congratulations to them for all the hard work in preparing this prayerful assembly for us.



Bikeability

The children from Nursery up to Year 2 had lots of fun learning how to ride on balance bikes through the Islington 'Bikeability' scheme who also provided Dr Bike last Friday to mend and maintain the children's and adults' bikes. Dr Bike and Bikeability will also be visiting us next half term. This is a brilliant free service, so do make use of it if you missed out this half term.



Arsenal

Year 2 had fun in their PE lesson this week learning about mobility and space in the context of games.



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Parents' Evening

Parents' evening will be on the 21st of November. You will need to pick your child up at 1:15pm. Sign up sheets for your appointments will go out the week before. After school club will run as usual. Autumn reports will be going out on the 19th of November.

Our New PTA



Chair – Gerine Gayle
Co-Chair – Charlotte Preko
Secretary – Heimi Perez-Cordoba
Co-Secretary – Karen Rodriguez
Treasurer - Eliz Kemal
Co-Treasurer – Nicole Quinn

Many thanks for the volunteer parents above who are now our new fully fledged and voted into the PTA! We welcome their enthusiasm and contributions and look forward to the new initiatives and fundraising they are sure to bring to St Peter and St Paul.

Stair Monitors

Jude, Kipliana, Andria and Kelsi- Mai from Year 5 have been fantastic stair monitors helping make sure everyone is walking beautifully up our staircases. This week they got their badges and special golden crystals to hand out.



Boosters

A reminder to the parents of Year 6 children who have received booster letters. Boosters are starting the first week back from half-term. Maths Booster is Mondays 3.00pm - 4.20pm. Reading Booster is Wednesdays from 3.00pm - 4.20pm. Your children have received letters. Please provide children with a healthy snack to have during the session. It is highly recommended your child attends in order to prepare them for their SATs assessment that is happening in the summer term.

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Head Teacher's Award

Congratulations to the following children who have impressed their teachers this week:

Pearl/Amethyst Alice and Leanna
Coral Sylvain and Freda
Diamond Ablakat and Dan
Emerald Gio and Faith
Jet Jordan and Laynie
Moonstone Spencer and Joaquin
Ruby Teddy and Ava
Sapphire Dylan and Aryana

Hot Chocolate



Miss Peters will be hosting these children for a tasty cup of hot chocolate and a chat in her office on Monday. Well done to these children for showing our mission statement in their actions this week!

Pearl/Amethyst Maciej
Coral Stanley
Diamond Jaemarie
Emerald Freya
Jet Davina
Moonstone Alfie
Ruby Selina
Sapphire Sofia

Attendance and Punctuality

The whole school's attendance this week was 92%. We really want to push this up towards 96%. Let's see how we do next half term!
Congratulations to Ruby who have regained the attendance cup this week with 95%. Sapphire came a very close second this week with 94%. Ruby also won the punctuality cup this week with just one late before the register closed.



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Return to school on the 4th November

Please be reminded we return to school on the 4th November. Gates will open at 8.30am (soft start) and the first bell will be rung at 8.40pm and the final bell will be rung at 8.45am.

Please organise your school uniform, ensure you are wearing the correct items of clothing. School shoes unless it is your PE day, school coats are blue or black. Also have school bags ready to go.

Please also be reminded that we have a non-jewellery policy. No earrings or necklaces for health and safety purposes. A digital or analogue watch can be worn. Thank you for continuing cooperation and understanding with regards to this matter.

The Wednesday Word

This Sunday's Gospel told the story of Jesus healing Bartimaeus the blind man Jesus said to the blind man, "Go! Your faith has saved you." And at once the man's sight returned and he followed Jesus along the road.

"Be brave. Let us learn to face moments of difficulty with courage, certain that the Lord never fails to give his support." Pope Francis

Dear Lord Jesus, give us faith in our times of need. Guide us on the right path so we might heal and grow in your love.
Amen.

Have a wonderful, restful and safe half term holiday!

Kind regards,

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