



St. Peter & St. Paul Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Tracey Peters

Friday 22th November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are already in week three of Autumn 2 and it is already feeling Christmassy. We even had some flakes of snow on Tuesday and Wednesday. Here at St. Peter and St. Paul, it has been another very busy week. Have a look at all the wonderful things your children have been up to in their learning journeys.

Prayer Life of the School



In Tuesday's assembly Miss Peters spoke to the children about the feast day of Christ the King, which of course is this Sunday. This feast day falls on the last Sunday of each liturgical year and the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

O King of Kings, we nailed you to a cross but you crowned us with your love. You saved us with your death, that we might live in you in glory. Help us to serve one another and to be there for each other in the most difficult times. Amen.

Year 5 Mass

Father Chris came to celebrate Mass with Year 5 on Wednesday it was a beautiful and prayerful service. The children sang magnificently and really enjoyed this opportunity to receive Holy Communion from one of our school priests.



Year 5 Enrichment Trip

This week, Year 5 were invited by the Guildhall School of Music and Drama to attend a concert performance of Holst's The Planets Suite which compliments their learning in Science. The children really enjoyed listening to the different musical interpretations for each planet, their favourites were Mars and Jupiter. The school looks forward to attending further enrichment opportunities that come our way.

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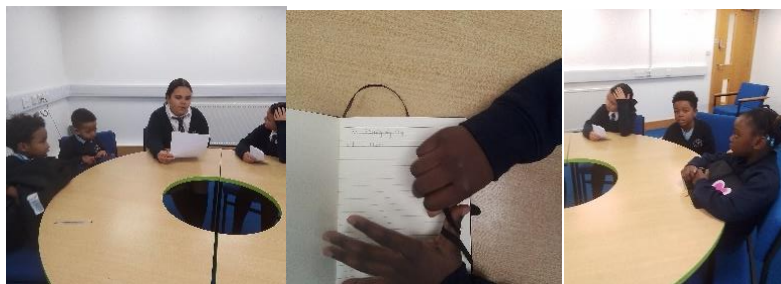


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School Council

This week in school council the members fed back on the issues arising in their classes. They were extremely well-prepared and articulate. Miss Manzone was very impressed and will take all their concerns and wishes to the Senior Leadership of the school. We will do our best to listen and act on all their very sensible and constructive ideas and comments!

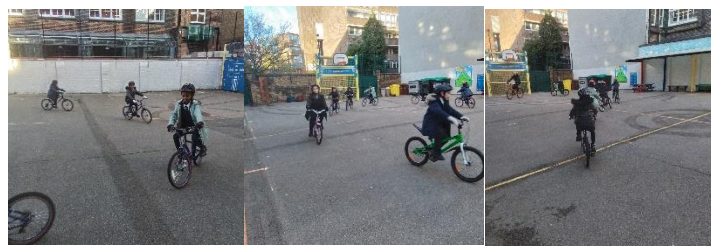


Parents/Carers meetings

Thank you to all who attended their child/ren's parents/carers meetings – an opportunity to catch up with class teachers on how your child/ren's progress and achievements. Thank you also for completing the Religious Education questionnaire. Keep hold of your raffle tickets! Do not worry if you could not attend your meeting. Class teachers will be in contact.

Islington Council's Bikability

Years 3 and 4 enjoyed their bikability lessons this week with cycling experts Joost and Wilson. They learnt all about bike safety and practised their Level 1 bike riding skills. Lots of fun was had by all and important safety facts were learnt. Free adult cycle skills sessions are provided by Islington. Visit the website – Islington.gov.uk/cycling



Dates for your Diary

Thursday 28th November -Year 4 Class assembly 9:15am
Thursday 5th December - Reception Nativity 9:15am
Tuesday 10th December - Years 2/3 Christmas Play 9.30am

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Thursday 12th December - Year 1 Class assembly 9:30am
Friday 13th December - 2-Year-olds and Nursery Christmas assembly 9.30am
Friday 13th December – Christmas Fair 3pm-5pm
Tuesday 17th December - KS2 Carol Service 2pm (Years 4,5 and 6) St. Peter's Italian Catholic Church in Clerkenwell (whole school will be in attendance)



Bright Futures Coffee Morning Reminder

There is a coffee morning planned for Friday 28th November from 9:30-10:30. Attend to get advice and support for children with SEND. You will be able to meet your designated Bright Futures link worker Elisha Scantlebury and connect with SENDAISS. To book a place contact Reception. There is a flyer on the front entrance door.

Bright Start Christmas Singalong



Christmas Singalong

On Thursday 19th of December on Highbury Fields there will be a festive singalong with a string trio and members of the Finsbury Park Community Choir. Do take your family along to enjoy this event. Leaflets available in the foyer.

Families Food and Feelings Workshop



On the 3rd of December, The Brandon Centre is putting on a workshop for parents with children struggling with excessive weight (aged 5-17). You must be registered with a GP in Camden or Islington. You can scan this link below to register. There are also leaflets available in the foyer.



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Christmas Fair Reminder



The PTA are still looking for donations of toys (in good condition), clothes (in good condition), alcohol, sweets and non-perishable foods. They will also be looking to sign up volunteers to help for the event. Please contact the school office or Miss Bessant.

Hot Chocolate

Miss Peters hosted two lots of children for hot chocolate and a chat this week on Tuesday and on Friday. Well done to all of them. All the children impressed their teachers by showing the school mission to: 'Love One Another' and demonstrated by their actions the school values of: love, truth, forgiveness, giving and understanding. Friday's children were:

Pearl – Freddy
Amethyst – Rosie
Coral - Freda
Diamond - Oliver
Emerald - Nicole
Jet - Jordan
Moonstone - Harrison
Ruby - Kiplianna
Sapphire – Gabriel

Tuesday Hot Chocolate



Head Teacher Awards

This week's awards for effort in their studies go to:

Pearl – Freddy and Brianna
Amethyst – Maciej and Annie
Coral - Alessia and Quinn
Diamond – Jaemarie and Miguel
Emerald – Josiah and Adetolou
Jet – Parfaite and Arsiema
Moonstone – Laila and Lena-Rose
Ruby – Lois and Kiplianna
Sapphire – Selena and Jonathan

Excellent job all of these children! Keep up the good work.

Attendance and Punctuality

The whole school achieved 93% attendance this week.

Particularly well done to **Moonstone** class who **achieved 96%** attendance for the first time

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this year. Keep up the good work. **Jet and Ruby** also **achieved 96%** attendance which is the target the whole school is aiming for as it is the national target for good attendance.

This week **the attendance cup** was won for the first time by **Coral (Reception Class)** with an **amazing 98%**!

Emerald Class won **the punctuality cup** with only 1 late. Well done also to Year 2!



The Wednesday Word

This Sunday's Gospel recounts the trial of Jesus. Pilate asks Jesus if he is king of the Jews. In Jesus' answer he explains that his kingdom is not of this world, if it was his followers would have fought to prevent him being handed over. He says he is a king that has come to bear witness to the truth and all who are on the side of truth listen to his voice.

'Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others, leading us on our journey towards eternal life' Pope Francis

Have a good weekend

Kind regards,

Miss T Peters and Miss J Manzone

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