



St. Peter & St. Paul Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Tracey Peters

Friday 8th November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Autumn 2. The nights are drawing in and the weather is getting noticeably colder, but here at St Peter and St Paul we love the season of Advent and the preparations for Christmas. We are looking forward to a jam-packed and exciting half term! Read what we have been up to this week.

Prayer Life of the School

November the Month of Remembrance

The month of November is traditionally a time in which the Catholic community remembers those who have died - All Saints Day and All Souls Day. It is related to the fact that the end of November is the end of the Liturgical Year with a new year starting the First Sunday of Advent – the four-week period of preparation before Christmas.

We also gather on Remembrance Sunday to remember the service and sacrifice of all those that have defended our freedoms and protected our way of life.

We remember the Armed Forces, and their families, from Britain and the Commonwealth, the vital role played by the emergency services and those who have lost their lives as a result of conflict or terrorism.



Each class have been asked to write in our book of Remembrance which can be found in the main entrance of the school. Please feel free to add your loved ones in the book.

Interfaith Week 10th – 17th November



The children across the school began preparing for this by learning about a number of faiths during their Key Stage assemblies. We have a Jewish member of the SACRE board, Naomi Ter- Berg, visiting the school next Monday morning, who will be talking to the children about her first-hand experience of Judaism and answering any questions the children may have regarding her faith.

Dear God

Open our hearts to understanding other faith traditions. We are all made in your image and seek to know and follow your ways, to praise you, and to be instruments of your Holy presence. May we respect those who are different from us, who follow a different faith tradition than us. Help us to create a just, peaceful, and harmonious world.

Amen

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 14th November - Year 2 Class assembly 9:15am
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 9:15am
Friday 13th December - 2-Year-olds and Nursery Christmas assembly time 9.30am
Tuesday 17th December - KS2 Carol Service 2pm (Years 4,5and 6) Italian Church

Parents' Evening Reminder

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.

Bright Futures Coffee Morning

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.

Fatherhood Consortium and Jig-saw / Support for Fathers



There is a family bike ride planned for the 24th of November which is a chance to network with other dads and families in the community. The starting point is the Emirates Stadium at 10:30am. Jigsaw is a free service dedicated to empowering dads to achieve their full potential. Contact them at info@jigsaw-gc.com or <tel:07946861546>. The two flyers above are available from the school office and there are copies in the school reception.

Christmas Fair



The Christmas Fair extravaganza will take place on Friday 13th December between 3pm and 5pm. The all-new PTA are 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.

Anti-Bullying Week 2024



Anti-bullying is taking place from **Monday 11th to Friday 15th November**. The theme is 'Choose Respect'. We ask you to send your children to school wearing odd socks on Tuesday 12th November. The children will be learning about how to report and combat bullying in lessons and assembly next week.

CAFOD Fundraiser



Well done and a big thank you to those who donated for our CAFOD multi day fundraiser. We raised a grand total of £120 which will go towards helping the humanitarian crisis in the Middle East.

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Year 1 Rapunzel Writing



Year 1 have been enjoying exploring traditional tales and different versions of Rapunzel. In phase 1 of our learning journey in English the children engage in lots of oracy such as acting out stories and rehearsing vocabulary. The children worked very hard and produced some star quality writing after such an exciting introduction.



Reception Diwali Rangoli Patterns

The children in Reception enjoyed learning about the Hindu festival of Diwali this week and really enjoyed making beautiful rangoli patterns in class. They learnt about some of the other customs associated with Diwali and made diva lamps.



Year Six Mass

Fr. Ivano came and conducted Mass in our school chapel on Friday this week with Year 6. On Wednesday 13th at 9.30am Year 5 will have the opportunity to celebrate Mass with Fr Chris. All Parents and carers welcome.



Craft Club

Miss Manzone started craft club this week and the children enjoyed making a firework collage.



Homework, Art and music Clubs all re-start next week.

Camley Nature Park Trip



Year 4 went on a visit to Camley Street Nature Park to enhance their learning in Science. They learnt about different animals and their habitats and got to go bug hunting and pond dipping. The children were very brave and some of them even found a toad. Did you know that human skin is toxic to toads? Luckily, they didn't touch the toad and no animals were harmed!

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STEAM Workshop Year 5



On Friday, Year 5 participated in a STEAM workshop and met a BioDesign Engineer. They learnt about what she does and the skills needed for her job.

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 - Brianna

Amethyst - Annie

Coral - Daniel

Diamond - Elma

Emerald - Kyron

Jet - Harriet

Moonstone - Cristobal

Ruby - Nala-star

Sapphire - Kyriakos

Head Teacher awards will recommence next week.

Attendance and Punctuality

A new attendance policy will be up on our website next week which details the new rules and guidelines from the DfE.

Congratulations to Jet with 98% attendance who have won the cup this week. Ruby came in a close second with 97%.

Emerald won the punctuality cup this week with 1 late before the register closed.



The Wednesday Word

This Sunday's Gospel told the story of Jesus at the Temple remarking that the poor widow who put two coins in the collection box had given more than all the others who had only given what they could easily afford.

“Whatever gifts and talents we are given by God are to be shared with the entire community”
St Baldwin of Canterbury

Dear Lord Jesus

Thank you for the many gifts you have given us. Help us to be generous and cheerful in all we do for you and for each other.

Amen.

Have a good weekend

Kind regards,

Miss T Peters and Miss J Manzone

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