



St. Peter & St. Paul Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Tracey Peters

Friday 24th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of another busy week. They certainly seem to have flown by this January; Spring is just around the corner now. Despite the cold, your children have remained full of enthusiasm for their learning and have brightened up our days in school. Read about what we have been up to in this week's newsletter.

Prayer Life of the School

Today was the launch day for the Jubilee Holy Year entitled 'Pilgrims of Hope'. The children came in their house colour and had an assembly in class to mark the start of this special year. They read the Pilgrims of Hope school prayer.

Father in Heaven,

May the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit reawaken in us all the blessed hope for the coming of your kingdom,

Amen

(Adapted from the official prayer from Pope Francis for the Jubilee Year)

Jubilee Icon



CAFOD commissioned an icon from artist Mulugeta Araya in Ethiopia, for the Catholic Church in England and Wales. Ethiopia was chosen because of the strong tradition of iconography within the country and to demonstrate that this is a global Jubilee - not just something that is happening in England and Wales. In school the children looked at this painting and explored what it represented.

Year 6 Class Assembly

Year Six proved they were top of the school with their wonderful assembly on Thursday where they explored our greatest gift: The Blessed Sacrament. The children who stepped up to deliver the lines of their classmates who were ill did an admirable job. All the adults were extremely impressed. There were even a few tears shed at the glorious singing. Well done to Year Six for starting off our Spring assemblies so well.

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Reminder of Class Assemblies this term

Thursday 6 th February	Year 5
Thursday 13 th February	Year 4
Thursday 27 th February	Year 3
Friday 7 th March	Year 2
Thursday 13 th March	Year 1
Thursday 20 th March	Reception
Thursday 27 th March	Nursery

A Letter from 10 Downing Street!



Congratulations to Conor our Deputy Prime Minister who wrote to government about the plight of homeless people. He was very pleased to receive a reply and this just goes to show that you are never too young to make a difference through activism. Conor is leading by example here, showing love for humanity and following our mission to 'love one another'. The whole school is proud of him.

Year 5 Gardening Club



Year 5 continue to enjoy Gardening Club at The Museum of the Order of St. John. This week they explored the Priory Church looked at different types of birds and then created their own bird feeders.

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Bright Start for Dads



There are still two more dates when Bright Start is running Zoolab workshops. It is a time for dads to meet up and the children to have a fun animal encounter. See details below.

Saturday 1st February

Family Hub at Bemerton Children's Centre,
1A Coatbridge House, Carnoustie Drive, N1 0DX

Saturday 8th February

Willow Children's Centre
1A Holbrooke Ct, London N7 0BF

Important Dates for Spring Term

Spring Term reports go out on the 19th March

Parents' Meetings 20th March from 1:30pm

Football Match at Moreland - Read the children's match report below

MATCH REPORT

(By Liam, Darcy and Florencia)

On Tuesday 21st January 2025 St Peter & St Paul's school football team played outstandingly well. They played against Moreland (with the final score being 3-2). Our team for this match was Darcy, Sofia, Rhea, Liam, Florencia (C), Brian, Noah, Lenny, Elnathan and Dylan. Our first goal scorer was Liam, scoring an amazing goal that got into top bins (top corner of the goal) making the score 1-0. Then Moreland equalized the score making it 1-1. Next Brian scored a fantastic rebound goal making the score 2-1. Not long after Moreland got a penalty and scored making the score 2-2. In the final few minutes Noah came through and scored a backheel volley goal bringing us to victory for this game.

Well-done to our football team once again for another excellent result!

What a nail-biting result!

Nursery Cake Sale

Thank you to the parents of children in Nursery class who donated cakes for the first of our cake sales and to Charlotte who ran the stall. We managed to raise an impressive £27.50 just from cakes. Reception's turn next week!



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See timetable below for your class cake sale!

Reception	30-1-25
Year 1	5-2-25
Year 2	13-2-25
Year 3	27-2-25
Year 4	6-3-25
Year 5	13-3-25
Year 6	20-3-25

Head Teacher's Award

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

Amethyst Marcelo and Gia

Coral Killian and Nellie

Diamond Jack and Benjamin

Emerald Holly and Kyron

Jet Nohe and Davina

Moonstone Spencer and Cristobel

Ruby Eady and Teddy

Sapphire Allison and Eliana

Hot Chocolate



Miss Peters will host a tasty cup of hot chocolate and a chat on Monday. Well-done to these children for showing our mission statement in their actions!

Pearl Brianna

Amethyst Freddie

Coral Matthais

Diamond Darryl

Emerald Nicole

Jet Nohe

Moonstone Francesca

Ruby Brian

Sapphire Darcy

After School Enrichment Classes



Spanish club is going very well. Miss Martin taught two lessons: beginners and advanced. This week the children in Years 1 and 2 learnt how to introduce themselves

In advanced class, the children learnt about the relative pronouns, masculine, feminine and plural and singular.

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After School Club Timetable

Monday 27th	Tuesday 28th	Wednesday 29th	Thursday 30th	Friday 31st
Arts & Crafts Making Foam Play dough	Cooking Chocolate Snail Swirls	Creative Time Tallest tower with straws	Wellness/ Meditation Afro Beats Movement	Multi-Sports Team building games

Attendance and Punctuality

The whole school achieved 91% attendance this week. We continue to increase week by week since early January. Let's hope this upwards trend is maintained.

Diamond had the highest attendance this week, and in fact the entire year so far with an amazing 100%. A very well done to Year 1!

Emerald won the Punctuality Cup this week with only 2 lates!



Please be advised that holidays are no longer authorised and are subject to fines in line with new government guidelines and in keeping with all schools in Islington. Please see our new attendance policy on the website for further details.

The Wednesday Word

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, went into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll, he found the place where it is written: 'The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim freedom to prisoners and new sight to the blind, to set the oppressed free'.

Adapted from Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

A word from Pope Francis "Jesus was sent to bring the Good News to enter the heart of each one of us"

Kind regards,

Have a good weekend
Miss T Peters and Miss J Manzone

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