



St. Peter & St. Paul Catholic Primary School

Headteacher: Tracey Peters

Friday 31st January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have come to the end of another busy week. Have a look at this week's newsletter to see what we have all been up to.

Prayer Life of the School – Holocaust Memorial Day - For a Better Future

The 27th of January is the day the world remembers the Holocaust, its victims and those from other acts of genocide throughout history. It was also the 80th Anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz – Birkenau concentration camp in South – West Poland by Russian troops. The children reflected on this day and said prayers to remember and pray for peace.

Loving God, you care for each
and every human life. All people
are cherished as your beloved
children, no matter how ordinary or
extraordinary their stories are.
Today we come before you to
remember the victims of the
Holocaust.

We lament the loss of the six
million Jews who were killed in the
Holocaust, the millions of other
victims of Nazi persecution, and
victims of all genocides.
May our minds be clear and attentive
to their memory, and our hearts be
moved to bear witness to their lives.
Help us all to turn away from hatred
and division, and to build a world
where genocide is no more.
Strengthen us so that we, in our
own ordinary ways, may show
extraordinary love in the world
today.

Amen



On Friday Miss Manzone gave the third in her series of assemblies about our school values.

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This week she focused on **Giving**. The children learnt that hoarding riches and possessions is selfish and that God wants us to be generous of heart.



Father God,

You sent your Son Jesus to give up everything for us: may the gifts we bring, whether great or small, be the very best that we can offer and a sign of our grateful love; through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen

Year 2 to the Tower of London

To compliment their learning in History, Year 2 visited the Tower of London. They were very excited to see the Tower and hear all about its long and illustrious history. They participated in an interactive workshop where they acted out the events of the Great Fire of London. It was lots of fun and the children learnt a lot.



Year 5 to The Museum of the Order of St John

This week the children visited the Museum's historic rooms looking for plant motifs in the stained-glass windows. They then created garden lanterns inspired by what they saw.



Year 1 Prayers of Hope

The children in Year 1 wrote some very special prayers for Jubilee Year of Hope. They thought about all the things they hoped for in the coming year and wrote beautiful prayers for our prayer tree in the school entrance.



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Zoolab in Reception

Reception had an amazing interactive animal experience on Thursday when they met a tarantula, an African corn snake and lots of other African animals up close. They even got to touch them! They were gentle with all the creatures and very brave. They learnt all about where they live and what they eat.



Year 3 Science Learning

Year 3 had a fun time on Thursday learning about forces. The children worked scientifically to compare how things move on different surfaces. They then went back to class and designed roads.



Bright Start for Dads



There is still another date when Bright Start is running a Zoolab workshop. It is a time for dads to meet up and the children to have a fun animal encounter. See details below.

Saturday 8th February
Willow Children's Centre
1A Holbrooke Ct, London N7 0BF

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

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Important Dates for Spring Term

Spring Term reports go out on the 19th March

Parents' Meetings 20th March from 1:30pm

Football Match at Darlington

This week's Match report is brought to you by Selena and Lenny

Well-done to our football team once again for persisting in inclement weather against a very strong side.

Match: Saints vs Darlington

It all started when we saw Dallington (the team we lost to) walking in our direction to Moorland School to the astro pitch. The people who played the match were Selena, Freddie, Edoardo, Eiliyah, Florencia, Lenny, Brian, Ryan, Eady and Erin. Even though we lost 5-2, there was a lot of things that went well. Our team captain, Brian, kept our spirits high with his great sportsmanship. The two goals were scored by Ryan and Eady.

Reception Cake Sale

Thank you to the parents of children in Reception Class who donated cakes and to Jordan and Quinn's mums who ran the stall. We managed to raise a staggering £60! Year 1's turn next week.



See timetable below for your class cake sale!

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 Annie and CJ

Coral Daniel and Robyn

Diamond Florence and Natan

Emerald Lucas and Daisy

Jet Catherine and Jacob

Moonstone Jamal and Benham

Ruby Freya and Nala-Star

Sapphire Fergus and Darcy

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Hot Chocolate



Miss Peters hosted these children for a tasty cup of hot chocolate and a chat this week. Well done to these children for showing our mission statement in their actions!

Pearl Aurora
Amethyst CJ
Coral Cleo
Diamond Jack
Emerald Faith
Jet Parfait
Moonstone Domenico
Ruby Zion
Sapphire Rhea



Attendance and Punctuality

The whole school achieved 88.3% attendance this week, which is very low indeed. We are aware there is a lot of viruses about at the moment.

Ruby had the highest attendance this week with 93%, Let's hope the sickness abates by next week.

Emerald won the Punctuality Cup this week with only 2 lates. Well done to them.



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

This Sunday we celebrate a special feast – 'The Presentation of the Lord', which is also traditionally known as 'Candlemas'. During Mass this weekend, church candles may be blessed by the priest. We light these candles every time we celebrate Mass to remind us of the light that Jesus brings to our world.

In this Sunday's Gospel, we read about Simeon who joyfully recognised Jesus as the 'Light of the World' –the one who fills our lives with hope.

A word from Pope Francis

Always know in your heart that God is by your side. Let us never lose hope!

Kind regards,
Have a good weekend

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