



Local Parish Mass Times	St Peter's	English Martyrs	St Augustine's
Saturday	6pm		6.30pm
Sunday	9am 10.30am 5.30pm	9am	11am

**CURRICULUM INFORMATION**

The table below details what your child will be learning from Monday

Year Group	Maths	English	Science
Reception	Easter Maths	Writing about events from the Easter Story	Growing
Y1	Holy Week Activities		
Y2	Holy Week Activities and Assessments		
Y3	Holy Week learning and Gecko Maths Games		
Y4	Fractions	Poetry	Circuits
Y5	Holy Week, Assessments		Chocolate Making
Y6	Using and applying	Recounts and diaries related to Holy Week	Evolution and Inheritance

**PARENTMAIL**

Could we remind those parents/carers who have not activated their ParentMail accounts to please do so. If you have not received an activation text/e-mail please inform the office as we may need to update your details. Thank you.

**HOLY WEEK**

Next week all children will be learning about Holy Week, which commemorates the Passion Of Christ. All children will be involved in our Palm Sunday service on Monday morning (9.05am), the 'Hour of Prayer' (which is organised by the Chaplaincy Reps and takes place throughout the whole day) on Tuesday, our Last Supper service on Wednesday morning (9.15am) and the Stations of the Cross service on Thursday morning at 9.15am. Parents are welcome to attend the services.

As parents/carers, you are the primary educators of your children and so we hope that you will find the Holy Week Newsletter (attached) helpful in helping you to understand what your child will be learning in class and in providing you with examples of ways in which you can support their learning about Holy Week at home. Thank you.

Next week is Holy Week and all Churches have additional Masses and services to commemorate the Passion Of Christ. We very much hope that, if at all possible, you will be able to bring your children to some of the services in Church during this week and to Mass on Easter Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

**EARLY FINISH FOR EASTER**

Just a reminder that we finish at 1.00pm on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March for the Easter break and return to school on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April.

**Y1 OVER FARM MARKET TRIP**

It was a bright and sunny day when we set off for Over Farm Market. The weather kept fine and we had a fantastic time learning about the crops that grow on the farm and the animals that they keep there.

**FUN AT THE FARM – Y2**

As part of our Home Grown theme this term, Year 2 children visited Over Farm on Wednesday to learn about local food production. They helped feed the goats and chickens, learnt about which food is produced at Over Farm and which food travelled from different countries to the shop and saw ostriches and pigs too. The children even helped to dig up some leeks fresh from the field, which we then used to cook our own leek and potato soup in school today. The children were beautifully behaved and were exhausted after a day of fresh air and fun learning

**SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL**

All we can say is "Wowzer!" What a performance the Year 2s put on. Not only did they do the school proud, but they did themselves proud. After weeks of preparation, a selection of Year 2s transported their audience back to a time of fairies and lovers in a Midsummer Night's Dream. We even had some children step up and learn new lines on the final day of the performance. Miss Aldred would like to thank everybody who was involved, especially parents for helping the children to learn their lines!

For those parents whose children took part in this Shakespearian adventure there will be a chance to buy the DVD which captures the memory perfectly. Further details will follow.

**NON-UNIFORM DAY**

Don't forget that the last day of term we will be **wearing purple** to school as a sign of Respect for Jesus during Holy Week. Please can all children taking part bring in 50p. All monies raised will go to our school charity, Mission Together, whose focus this year is on providing medical aid to children in Malawi who are affected by malaria – without medical aid many of these children would die. Those that choose not to wear purple, please wear school uniform.

**EASTER BONNETS AND COLOURING COMPETITION**

All Easter Bonnets entries need to be in by Monday ready for judging on Tuesday. Colouring competition entries need to be in by 9.30am on Tuesday morning. All winners for both competitions will be announced on Wednesday in Celebration assembly.

## **KS2 TOPIC HOME LEARNING – RESULTS FROM THE QUESTIONNAIRE**

Our thanks are extended to all parents of children in Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 who took the time to complete the Topic Home Learning Questionnaire.

## **PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS**

Parents from St Peter's parish have started to produce a Family Newsletter - the aim of which is to provide parents with background information to special feast days/liturgical seasons etc and to provide parents with ideas/activities for how they can develop their children's faith at home. The parents who write this Newsletter also reflect on the challenges they experience on their faith journey as a family which is so important as it helps us all to realise that everyone experiences difficulties! The Newsletter is available from St Peter's Church and website and a copy is also on our website – go to About Us, Catholic Ethos, Parish Links. Please do take a look at the Newsletters - they are a great read!

## **NEW MEMBERS NEEDED FOR SEA SCOUTS**

St Peter's Beavers, Cubs and Scouts are looking for new members to start an exciting journey on land and sea. We are the only Sea Scout Group in Gloucester and currently have a small number of spaces in all sections for boys and girls aged 6-15. We enjoy many outdoor pursuits, Kayaking, hiking, cycling and survival skills but to name a few. Beavers and Cubs meet on a Weds from 6-7.30pm in St Peter's Primary school hall, Horton Road. Scouts meet on a Friday from 6.30-8.00pm at Gordon League Rugby Club, Hempsted Lane, Glos. Please ring Michelle Vaughan 07963 603725. We are also always grateful for more adult support in all sections for any amount of time, please ring me to discuss.

## **EASTER TRIDUUM AT ST PETER'S CHURCH**

**HOLY THURSDAY** (March 24th) 7.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper. Watching until Sung Night Prayer at 10.30pm

**GOOD FRIDAY** (March 25th) 10.30am: Stations of the Cross for families 12noon – 1.00pm: Confessions 3.00pm: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 6.45pm: At the Foot of the Cross – a time to reflect

**HOLY SATURDAY** (March 26th) 9.00am: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 7.45pm: Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter

**EASTER SUNDAY** (March 27th) Easter Day Mass 9.00am, 10.30am, 12.30pm (Polish), 5.30pm

## **HOUSE POINTS** (to 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016)

Weekly Totals		Cumulative Totals	
Fire	119	Wind	1185
Wind	108	Earth	1112
Earth	100	Fire	1033
Water	94	Water	1021

## **DINNER MENU – w/c 21<sup>st</sup> MARCH**

Monday	BBQ Chicken Pizza	Red Pepper & Cheese Frittata	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Cheese
Tuesday	Fish & Potato Pie	Pasta Bolognese	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo	Ham
Wednesday	Roast Turkey	Vegetable Enchilada	Jacket Potato with Beans	Tuna Mayo
Thursday	Sausage & Chips		Jacket Potato with Beans	Turkey

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Whole School	Palm Sunday Service	9.05 am
Weds 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Whole School	Last Supper Service	9.05am
Weds 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Whole School	Cake Sale	During the school day
Weds 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y5	Chocolate Sale	During the school day
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School	Good Friday, Stations of the Cross	9.15am
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School	Non-School Uniform	Wear purple
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School	<b>1pm FINISH</b>	
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Whole School	New Term Starts	8.40am

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