

St Peter's Catholic Primary School School Newsletter 6

Friday 14th October 2016

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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	Repeating patterns	Blending sounds to hear words	Harvest & naming different fruits and vegetables
Y1	+ and - facts	Dinosaur fact file	Compare and contrast dinosaurs and animals that live now
Y2	Shape	Stories	Materials
Y3	Problem Solving	Historical Stories	Rocks, Soils and Fossils
Y4	Time	Journalistic Writing	Materials
Y5	Area and Perimeter	Biographies	Properties and Changes of Materials
Y6	Fractions	Grammar	Light

HARVEST FESTIVAL – MONDAY 17th OCTOBER

Our Harvest Festival is on Monday at 9.15am. All are welcome. Please can children bring in a food item for our charity, Gloucester Food Bank.

SICKNESS

Please ensure that if your child is off school with sickness and/or diarrhoea, they <u>must not</u> return to school until 48 hours after the last bout of illness. Thank you.

SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2017

Just to remind all Year 6 parents that the closing date for applications for secondary school is 5pm on Monday 31st October 2016. If you have any problems with completing the form or have mislaid it please call into the school office.

HOME READING BOOKS

This year we have invested a lot of money in a new home reading scheme for Key Stage 2. Unfortunately a few of these have already been lost or damaged. To ensure that we maintain a varied range of books to read we would be grateful if you could ensure that your child takes responsibility for their book by making sure they look after it and keep in a separate bag or folder to their water bottles. Many thanks for your support in this matter.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

On Tuesday we launched the annual Operation Christmas Child appeal. This is an opportunity to help children less fortunate than we are by filling a shoe box with a range of gifts for a child. This simple act of kindness will be felt and appreciated in more ways than you can imagine. Your child has brought home a leaflet today; if you require another leaflet please ask at the main office. Please return completed shoe boxes to school by **Monday 7th November 2016.** Please remember that shoe boxes should not be completely wrapped; Operation Christmas Child need to check that all boxes have suitable items in them, so do need to be able to access them.

HOLIDAY INN CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGN COMPETITION

Holiday Inn Gloucester-Cheltenham are running a competition for the design of their Christmas card. It is open to children aged 8 – 12 years old. The competition winner will have their card design published as the hotels card and win a complimentary meal for up to a family of 4. There will also be runner up prizes. All entries need to be given to Mrs McGuinness by Monday 14th November.

Y1 TRIP TO ALL THINGS WILD

On Monday the Year 1 children went to 'All things Wild' near Evesham. Miss Evans and I were very proud of our well behaved children. The children had an opportunity learn a little more about dinosaur fossils and bones. We also investigated in the 'Dino barn' where we saw life size models of dinosaurs. We had a 'ROARING'day out!

Shaathvika 1LD- "It was good. I liked the train because we saw lots of different dinosaurs".

Rayna 1LD- "I love all of the trip"

Maria 1AE –"It was great fun. I saw a T-Rex"

Zachary 1AE - "It was the best trip ever!"

FOREST SCHOOL

This week the children in EYFS and Key Stage 1 attended their first Forest School session in our woodland area. They all enjoyed exploring the outdoor environment and this week the focus was looking for creatures and plants that live and grow within our woodland. All of the children are looking forward to their future sessions!"

Lucas RJB "I was looking for small leaves." Liam RLW "I found a rainbow leaf." Robin 1LD "I liked being outside." Austin 1AE "I loved exploring." Isabelle 2KY "I am excited to explore the nature area." Odette 2SS "My favourite part was looking for pretty leaves."

LEARNING GEMS

Congratulations to Magdalena in 1AE for achieving a Diamond Power Certificate for solving problems and showing responsibility.

MESSAGE FROM NHS GLOUCESTERSHIRE

We have developed three short video clips to target key 'at-risk' groups, one of which is aimed at parents of young children aged 2 to 7 as well as expectant mothers. You can find the video here.

The video emphasises the importance of protecting their children against flu which can often hit them harder. Vaccination is by nasal spray i.e. no injections!

We would be really grateful if you could share this video via your social media channels (using the hashtag #FluFree) or in any enewsletters which are sent to parents/guardians of your pupils. You can also retweet via our Twitter account or share via our Facebook.

If you would like copies of A4 posters to display where parents may see them, please email Sophie.hopkins1@nhs.net. To find out more about the campaign, visit www.gloucestershireccg.nhs.uk/flu-free

We are keen to reach as many parents as possible, not only to protect young children from a potentially nasty bout of illness, but also to help prevent the spread to other vulnerable groups. Anything you can do to support the campaign would be really appreciated.

CALLING ALL YOUNG MUSICIANS OF THE FUTURE!

Gloucestershire County Council's music service, Gloucestershire Music, is supporting local school children with the chance to play a musical instrument.

This half term children aged 7to 11 will be able to try a range of brass, string and woodwind instruments before choosing one they would like to learn. Parents are being invited to send their children to a special one day 'F.A.M.E.' (first access music ensemble) course on Saturday 22nd October. There are two locations to choose from, either Sir Thomas Rich's School in Gloucester or Marling School in Stroud. Both sessions will run from 10am to 4pm. The one day course will prepare the children for the 'F.A.M.E.' academy, which will be held at both of the music centres in Gloucester and Stroud from November.

Cllr Paul McLain, cabinet member for children and young people said, "If you've ever wanted to learn a musical instrument, now's your chance. The FA.M.E course will give your child a fast track start to the FAME academy. At the academy young instrumentalists in their first few months of learning will have the chance to play in an ensemble and develop their skills. Why not book a place today?" Book now!

There is nothing to pay now but you can register your interest at www.gloucestershiremusic.co.uk then click the F.A.M.E button.

HOUSE POINTS (to 13th October 2016)

Weekly Totals		Cumulative Totals	
Fire	127	Fire	792
Wind	123	Wind	780
Water	110	Water	749
Earth	105	Earth	734

DINNER MENU – w/c 17th OCTOBER

Monday	Beef Burger in a Bun	Cheese & Pepper Whirl	Jacket Potato with Tuna	Cheese
Tuesday	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie	Vegetable Lasagne	Jacket Potato with Beans	Ham
Wednesday	Roast Pork	Vegetable Wellington	Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayo	Tuna Mayo
Thursday	Beef Spaghetti Bolognaise	Lentil & Spinach Curry	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Pork
Friday	Fish Fingers	Vegetable Enchiladas	Jacket Potato with Beans	Egg Mayo

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Whole School	Harvest Service	9.15am	
Whole School	Parents' Evening	3.30pm – 6.00pm	
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First day of half term holiday			
INSET – Staff only in school			
Whole School	Start of the New Term	8.55am	
Whole School	All Saints Day		
Whole School	All Souls Day		
Whole School	School Photographs	During the school day	
Whole School	Remembrance Day	10.50am Special Assembly	
Whole School	Anti-Bullying Week		
Y6	Cycle Training	All Week	
Y4	Assembly	9.15am	
Whole School	St Andrew's Day	Wear BLUE accessory	
Whole School	Christmas Dinner	Lunchtime	
EYFS/KS1	Nativity	5.30pm for 6.00pm	
EYFS/KS1	Nativity	5.30pm for 6.00pm	
KS2	Panto		
EYFS/KS1	Panto		
Whole School	Christmas Jumper Day		
Whole School	Christmas Mass	9.15am	
Whole School	Finish for Christmas	1.00pm	
Whole School	Start of the New Term	8.55am	
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Carol Baron Headteacher











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