

St Peter's Catholic Primary School School Newsletter 13

Friday 9th December 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	Maths	English	Science
Group			
Reception	Problem solving	Write all the sounds we can hear	
Y1	Money	Stickman Stories	Seasonal Changes
Y2	Subtraction	Punctuation & Grammar	Everyday Materials
Y3	Addition & Subtraction Christmas Maths	Heroes and Villains Comic Strip	Light and Shadow
Y4	Calculation Revision	Non-chronological Reports	Electricity
Y5	Fractions	Diaries	Earth and Space
Y6	Area and Perimeter	Biographies	Living Things and Habitats

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Rejoice: the Lord is nigh!" As Christmas draws near, the Church emphasises the joy which should be in our hearts over all that the birth of our Saviour means for us. The great joy of Christians is to see the day drawing near when the Lord will come again in His glory to lead them into His kingdom. The oft-repeated Veni ("Come") of Advent is an echo not only of the prophets but also of the conclusion of the Apocalypse of St. John: "Come, Lord Jesus." the last words of the New Testament.

This third Sunday of Advent is known as Gaudete Sunday. The term Gaudete refers to the first word of the Entrance Antiphon, "Rejoice". Rose vestments are worn to emphasise our joy that Christmas is near, and we also light the rose candle on our Advent wreath.

ADMISSION TO RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2017

If you have a child due to start reception class in September 2017, you should have already received a letter from Gloucestershire Local Authority explaining how to make your application. If you would like your child to be considered for a place at St. Peter's Catholic Primary School – an information sheet is available from the school office, by phone 01452 524792 or by email admin@st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk. This is to be completed and returned to the school office with a copy of your child's baptism certificate if they are baptised. If you have any queries of this process, please don't hesitate to contact Gina Powell at the school, by phone or email. The closing date for applications and the school information sheet is 15th January 2017.

PIED PIPER CONCERT AT ST PETER'S CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 7th DECEMBER

Huge congratulations to all the children who sang at the Pied Piper Concert on Wednesday evening. They sang beautifully and made us very proud. Many people commented on how well the children knew the songs and how joyfully they sang and joined in with all songs within the concert. Many thanks to Mrs Perez for preparing the children for this event – a great example of 'children helping children'.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY – FRIDAY 16th DECEMBER

All children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper, instead of their school jumper, to school on Friday 16th December.

LEARNING GEMS

Congratulations to Poppy in RJB for achieving a Diamond Power Certificate for solving problems and showing responsibility.

HOUR OF CODE

To celebrate this week being Computer Science Education week, children in every class took part in the "Hour of Code". The Hour of Code is something that tens of millions of students aged 4+ in over 180 countries take part in each year. We live in a world surrounded by technology so it is important that our children explore their creativity, logic and problem-solving skills while developing their understanding of technology. The website provides a variety of activities and takes you through the skills step-by-step which proved to us that <u>anybody</u> can learn the basics of Coding no matter what their experience is.

"It was a fun way to work as a team to improve our Computing skills. We used coding to create a snowflake." Archie 6CJ "We played Puppy Adventure. We programmed the puppy to run and jump so he could get home. It was fun!" Lucy 2SS Why don't you try it at home? There's something for everyone! Take a look on the website: https://code.org/learn

YEAR 5 AND 6 MATHS 'STEM' WORKSHOP

On Monday 5th December, children from Year Five and Six had an action packed morning developing their Maths skills. During the workshops, the children played 'Magic Maths' a board game where the children had to use their knowledge of the four operations to calculate answers, The children also used IPADS to play Maths games and solve questions by scanning QR codes which were dotted around the hall. Great fun was had by all!

'I loved playing all the different games. It was hard but made Maths fun.' Kevin, 6CJ

'I liked playing the Maths Magic board game because it made me think about my method and calculations. Also, to think about what method would give me the highest answer.' Reo 5CS

'First of all we played a game where you could plus, take-away, times and divide to get a score. The person with the biggest score wins (the game is called Magic Maths). I enjoyed it all and loved using the IPADS in particular.' Mason 6JW

PFA CHRISTMAS FAYRE - £2,044 RAISED!

We had another very successful PFA event at our Christmas Fayre on Saturday 3rd December. We managed to raise £2,044 on the day. Fantastic! The board of the PFA would like to thank all PFA members, staff and parent helpers for their help in the run up to, and on the day. We would also like to say a huge thank you to all the parents, carers and family members for attending and supporting this event and your children's school. Your support is really appreciated. Thank you so much.

HOUSE POINTS (to 8th December 2016)

Weekly Totals		Cumulative Totals	
Water	98	Fire	1754
Wind	88	Wind	1688
Fire	82	Water	1643
Earth	77	Earth	1603

DINNER MENU -w/c 12th DECEMBER

Monday	Sausage & Mash	Veggie Toad in the Hole	Jacket Potato with Tuna
Tuesday	Meaty Pizza	Spiced Vegetable & Quorn Pattie	Jacket Potato with Beans
Wednesday	Roast Chicken	Vegetable Loaf	Jacket Potato with Salmon Mayo
Thursday	Beef Cottage Pie	Macaroni Cheese	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Friday	Battered Fish	Cheese & Leek Flan	Jacket Potato with Beans

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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Tues 13 th Dec	EYFS/KS1	Nativity	5.30pm for 6.00pm
Weds 14 th Dec	EYFS/KS1	Nativity	5.30pm for 6.00pm
Thurs 15 th Dec	KS2	Panto	9.00am returning at 12.30pm
Fri 16 th Dec	EYFS/KS1	Panto	9.00am returning at 12.30pm
Fri 16 th Dec	Whole School	Christmas Jumper Day	
Weds 21 st Dec	Whole School	Christmas Mass	9.15am Everyone Welcome
Weds 21 st Dec	Whole School	Finish for Christmas	1.00pm
Thurs 5 th Jan	Whole School	Start of the New Term	8.55am

Carol Baron Headteacher











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