

St Peter's Catholic Primary School School Newsletter 1

Friday 4th September 2020

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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
Y1	Place Value, recognizing/counting numbers 0-20	Captions & Labels	
Y2	Place Value	Descriptive writing & story telling	Immersion
Y3	Place Value	Here We are by Oliver Jeffers	Rocks and Soils
Y4	Place Value	Greek Myths	States of Matter
Y5	Place Value	Basic SPAG focus	Properties and changes of materials
Y6	Rounding, x and / by 10, 100 and 1000 and decimal notation	Grammar focus: Nouns,	Light



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to everyone in our school community. We hope you had a great summer and that your children have enjoyed their first week back at school. It is so great to be back together as a school family and we have certainly enjoyed hearing about what they have been up to since March – such a long time ago! Tuesday was busy but a quick change of plan made a huge difference and now morning arrival is going just like clockwork! Thanks to all our parents for your support in quickly adjusting to our new system - today was transformational and I know that from Monday onwards the system will be much slicker as everyone has experienced it and now you know what to do and where to go.

It is really important that, as the adults in charge, we continue to model good social distancing outside the school gates and when you come in to school to collect your children. This is a priority in school and we would very much appreciate your support with this on arrival and at collection times. Thank you.

Y5 and Y6 children: Many parents allow their children to walk to a meeting point at the end of the school day. If you want your child to do this, please just write a note to your child's class teacher so we know to let them leave the school site without an adult.

STAFF UPDATE

Mrs Fox: After 17 and a half years' service to the children of St. Peter's, Mrs Fox has resigned her post as a Higher Level Teaching Assistant so that she can spend more time with her family and enjoy being a grand-mother. Mrs Fox has been a devoted member of staff who has always prioritised the needs of the children. She is full of fun and her 'wicked' sense of humour will certainly be missed throughout the school. Mrs Fox was also very much actively involved in the faith life of the school: she led on RE displays over the years and has been an active member of our Chaplaincy Team and the Mission & Ethos Committee, supporting leaders and our pupils to develop spiritually and morally. Mrs Fox has also been active in our parish community as Catechist and a Eucharistic minister. We thank her for all she has done to instil a love of learning and a love of God in our pupils.

Mrs Lloyd: Mrs Lloyd has been our librarian for the last year and we wish her every success for the future as she has left us to spend more time with her family. We thank Mrs Lloyd for the wonderful, inspirational art work she produced throughout the year to promote a love of reading and for enabling our Pupil Librarians to be really effective in their lunch time roles.

Miss Ellis: I am delighted to tell you that Miss Ellis has had a baby boy. Both mum and baby Charlie are keeping well, and big brother Seb is relishing his role to help take care of Charlie. Dad is also well and very happy.

Ms Parsons: Has been part of our EYFS/KS1 cleaning team. She has always taken great pride in cleaning the school and with her bubbly personality there has never been a dull moment. We wish her well in her new role as a Cleaning Manager.

Mrs Lawford: We welcome Mrs Lawford into our school staff family. Mrs Lawford is a Y1 teacher and is covering for Mrs Izatt who is on maternity leave.



SICKNESS: To Test Or Not To Test

Public Health England (PHE) and NHS Test & Trace have asked schools to remind parents of what to do when their child is sick. They are aware that many parents may worry that their child might have coronavirus but actually are poorly with, for example, a cold, a headache or a sore throat. If your child feels unwell for example with a sore throat, stomach upset or a headache you do not need to book a Covid-19 test for them but you may need to keep your child off school and seek medical advice through your GP or pharmacist as usual.

Parents, pupils and staff only need to get tested if:

- 1. they develop one or more of the main coronavirus symptoms:
 - a high temperature
 - a new, continuous cough
 - the loss or change of their sense of taste or smell, or
- 2. they are recommended to get tested by a healthcare provider (e.g. GP or nurse)

If a parent, pupil, or staff member develops one or more of the main coronavirus symptoms described above, only they should be tested. There is no need for their households to have a test, unless they are also symptomatic.

Please keep your children at home for 48 hours after the last time they had diahorrea or vomiting and if they have a temperature as well please speak to your healthcare adviser before sending them back to school.

It is really important that we all adhere to the advice and do the right thing to protect each other. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter. Mrs Baron



CLEANER AND OPAL VACANCIES

We have two vacancies - one for a Cleaner and one for an OPAL Team Member to join our hard working and dedicated teams. Please see the school website for more information (ABOUT US - VACANCIES). Closing dates for these vacancies is Monday 21st September 2020 at 12 noon.



ROAD CLOSURE – LONDON ROAD, GLOUCESTER

The Gloucestershire Highways Authority will be resurfacing London Road, Gloucester from Thursday 17th September to Thursday 24th September between the hours of 9.30am and 3.30pm. This will obviously impact the end of the school day. Please use this advance notice to plan an alternative route to school. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS

We extend our congratulations to Jonathan (5MD) who has been selected to play football for the Gloucester District Primary School under 10 Development Squad. He is one of the 13 players selected out of 82 children who attended the trials, 4 hours of football over two days! We are incredibly proud of his achievement. Well done, Jonathan!



CELEBRATION FRIDAY!

Due to current guidelines, we will not be having our traditional celebration assemblies in school. We will, however, still be celebrating the children's achievements on a Friday, in their classroom. These 'champion' children will have their photograph taken. This will then be shared the following Friday via a power point with all classes and emailed out to parents/carers. If you do not wish your child to have their photo shared in this way, please contact the office to update your preferences. Many Thanks. Mrs. E Davis



Next week, your child's teacher will let you know which days your child will be doing PE. Children will come to school dressed in their PE kit (plain t-shirt and shorts) and trainers. They must wear jogging bottoms or leggings (any colour) and they must wear their school jumper.



CORE VALUES

Our core value this term will be THANKFULNESS – we shine when we show gratitude.

We aim to help the children to:

Recognise that when they say 'thank you' they are acknowledging what someone else has done for them;

Consider how they show their gratitude to people who help them or are kind to them;

Recognise that God loves and cares for them in many different ways in all aspects of their lives. Their response to this provision should be one of thankfulness and praise;

Acknowledge that when they are facing difficult times it can be hard to be thankful. They should remember God's promise to be with them in every circumstance.



DINNER MENU – w/c 7th SEPTEMBER

Monday	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Jacket Potato with Tuna or Cheese	
Tuesday	Sausage Roll	Southern Style Veggie Burger	
Wednesday	Roast Chicken	Moroccan Veggie Balls	
Thursday Cheese & Tomato Pizza		Jacket Potato with Veggie Bolognaise	
Friday Fish Fingers & Chips		Vegetarian Sausage Roll	



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 22 nd Oct	Whole School	Finish for Half Term	
Fri 23 rd Oct	INSET DAY		
Mon 2 nd Nov	INSET DAY		
Tues 3 rd Nov	Whole School	Start of the New Term	
Fri 18 th Dec	Whole School	Finish at 1.00pm for the Christmas Break	
Tues 5 th Jan	Whole School	Start of the New Term	
Thurs 11 th Feb	Whole School	Finish for Half Term	
Fri 12 th Feb	INSET DAY		
Mon 22 nd Feb	Whole School	Start of the New Term	

Carol Baron Headteacher







