



# St. Peter's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter 28 Friday 23/04/21

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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
Rec	Money	Writing sentences	Life cycles
Y1	Measuring Volume	Writing sentences to recall a story	Materials
Y2	Position & Direction	Writing messages & taking notes	Timelines
Y3	Fractions	Gorilla	Plants
Y4	Decimals	Shackleton's Journey	Living Things
Y5	Decimals & Percentages	The Midnight Fox	Earth & Space
Y6	Measure	Persuasive letters & info leaflets	Animals including humans

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our school family as we return to school for the summer term. It has been an incredibly busy and exciting week in school. Thankfully we have been blessed with beautiful weather, and the children have thoroughly enjoyed playing in the sunshine with their friends during OPAL lunchtime play.

### MORNING ARRIVAL

Parents must not arrive before 8.30am as children are not supervised. If you arrive and the gates aren't open please can we ask that you queue with your child/ren on the lines as we are still observing social distancing. Thank you for your co-operation.

### PRAYERS PLEASE



On Monday night, Yanonne's (6VY) mum passed away. We would be really grateful if you could pray for the happy repose of her soul. May she rest in peace, Amen. This is a very sad and difficult time for Yanonne and her family and we continue to keep them in our prayers, too.

### RESURRECTION MASS

*On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April we held our Easter Mass to celebrate Christ rising. Year 5 led mass and were joined by Year 2. Our reading reminded us of being happy and showing kindness to others which links to our '30 Days of Kindness'.*

*Everyone was very excited to see Father Liam and share their knowledge with him of the Special Eastertide.*



## Welcome

We are delighted to welcome Miss Dawkins and Mrs Parsons, Teaching Assistants, to our school family team.



## LEAVING TO HAVE A BABY!

*We had a special, live streamed, assembly this morning to wish Mrs McGuinness well as she starts her maternity leave. We hope Mrs McGuinness enjoys the rest before her second child is born. We will keep you posted!*



Last month 56 children from St Peter's, Years 3-6, took part in the GSSN Sportshall Athletics Competition. There were over 1000 pupils from 15 schools taking part across the county. The event took place in school throughout the day with year group 'bubbles' competing separately. All pupils put in maximum effort and their enthusiasm was infectious. Once the results had been sent in and collated with the other schools involved, the overall results were announced: St Peter's came 1<sup>st</sup> in the Year5/6 category and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Year3/4 category. What fantastic results! Well done to all who took part .

## ACTS OF KINDNESS

Welcome back to term 5 everyone! This month we are focusing on the 30 day kindness challenge whereby we are sharing our kindness through random acts and planned acts of kindness. We started the week by watching a video of Mrs Lawford reading the book, "Have you filled a Bucket Today?" which is a great way for us all to understand how we all have an invisible bucket.

Have you noticed the Kindness display outside school? Every morning there is a new message to remind us of how important acts of kindness are, not only to others but ourselves too. If you have any kindness quotes you would like us to share please forward to the School Office by email.

Many thanks Mrs Pollard

## REMINDER

### Longlevens Rugby

#### FAMILY FUN SESSIONS

Free to attend! Call Darren on 07305 738978 or email:

Longlevensrugby-MAR@gmail.com

### PLACES AVAILABLE IN RECEPTION CLASS

We currently have places available in our Reception classes.

If you are looking for a place in our current reception year or know of someone who is, please contact Mrs Harris (Admissions Officer) by telephone: 01452 524792 or by email: [admin@st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-peters-pri.gloucs.sch.uk).

Dear children,

Gavin Williamson is the Secretary of State for Education. He has written this letter to you to thank you for the way you have responded to the many challenges you faced over the last year.

#### Mr Williamson's letter to you

I wanted to let you all know how grateful I am for the way you have responded to the huge challenges you have all faced throughout the coronavirus pandemic.

Whether this is your first year at school or your final year of college, I know the disruption you have all faced to your education since the pandemic began has been incredibly challenging and has meant completely changing the way you learn - either learning remotely at home or continuing at school or college with fewer of your friends around you and lots of safety measures in place.

Whether you were at home or at school, the disruption last term and throughout last year asked a lot of you and your families. I am filled with admiration for the incredible way you all responded and the resilience you have shown. Not being in school or college with your teachers and friends was a huge sacrifice. Everything you did, with the help of your families and your schools and colleges, and everything you missed out on – time in school, taking exams, seeing friends, playing sport and much more - made such a huge difference to helping us stop the spread of the virus. I want to say a huge thank you to all of you.

Getting all young people back into school and college safely has been my priority throughout the pandemic. I know how vital it is not just for your education but also to spend time with your friends and to feel happy and secure. All our lives have changed a lot in the past year but the challenges that young people have faced have been some of the hardest. I will continue doing everything in my power to make sure that all of you are supported to boost any areas of work you've had less time at school to study, get the qualifications you deserve and have the opportunities you need to succeed.

Continuing to follow all the safety measures your schools and colleges have worked hard to put in place, as well as taking a test twice a week, is so important and helps us to stop the virus spreading. The testing that thousands of you have been taking part in at school and college is a vital part of this. I am so grateful to you and all the staff who have supported you to do this. I know your schools and colleges have worked incredibly hard to prepare you to test yourself at home.

As most of you at secondary school and college move to testing yourself regularly at home, it's vital that you continue to test and report online twice a week through the Easter holidays and after you return to school. Home testing twice a week for you and everyone you live with makes a huge difference and means you are playing a really important role in helping us move back to a more normal way of life. Your school or college will continue to support you and make sure you have tests. You and your family can also find out more about home testing [here](#).

I was delighted to see the enthusiasm with which so many of you returned to school at the beginning of March and I am sure you have had a wonderful few weeks catching up with your friends and teachers. It was fantastic to meet pupils delighted to return to school on my visits to schools like Arden Academy and Bedford Free School and to see so many more of your reunions on social media. I hope that the new term will be just as enjoyable and successful for all of you.

**Rt Hon Gavin Williamson**  
**CBE MP, Secretary of State for Education**

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May		<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May		May Procession	2.15pm
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> May		Ascension Thursday	2.15pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole School	School Photographs	
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May		Trinity Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May		Finish for Half Term (normal time)	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June		<b>INSET</b>	
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> June		New EYFS Meeting	5.30pm/6.00pm
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School	St Peter & St Paul Mass	1.45pm
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School	Move up Day	Morning
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School	Sports Day	
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6	Leavers' Mass	10.00am
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School	Reserve Sports Day	
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July		Y6 Leavers' Assembly	
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Whole School	<b>Finish at 1.00pm</b>	

## DINNER MENU – w/c 26th April

Monday	Mexican Roll	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Tuesday	Beef Bolognese	Jacket Potato with Beans
Wednesday	Roast Pork	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo
Thursday	Chicken Pizza	Jacket Potato with Cheese
Friday	Battered Fish & Chips	Jacket Potato with Beans

## HOUSE POINTS

Weekly Totals		Cumulative	
Fire	88	Fire	88
Earth	77	Earth	77
Water	112	Water	112
Wind	127	Wind	127



## Changes to the Test and Trace Support Payment for Parents

Parents and carers of children who have been advised to self-isolate by their education setting or by NHS Test and Trace are now able to apply for a Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment of £500, if they meet the eligibility criteria.