



St. Peter's Catholic Primary School

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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	Parts & Wholes	Character Descriptions	Day Length & the Seasons
Y2	Addition & Subtraction	Non-Chronological	Recyclable materials
Y3	Place Value	Stone Age Boy	Rocks, Fossils & Soil
Y4	Column Addition & Subtraction	Ancient Greek Myths	States of Matter
Y5	Addition & Subtraction	'Clockwork'	Investigation into filtering
Y6	Fractions	Journalistic Writing	Light

RECEPTION	RE CURRICULUM
Y1	Explore psalms & understand how we use them to pray
Y2	Emotions within the creation story & story of Amos
Y3	Recognising the events in the narrative Jonah and the Whale and through our knowledge of this, answer the question, "What type of prophet was Jonah? How do we know this?"
Y4	Describing the narrative of the call of Abraham
Y5	Understand what it means to be people of God & the different way we can show this
Y6	Exploring how easy it is to keep the Commandments

Black History Month

Black History Month is a national event which runs throughout October every year. On Monday morning, Mrs Carr (History Lead) led a whole school assembly focussing on the importance of equality for everyone regardless of the colour of their skin or indeed their faith etc. Mrs Carr shared images and information about lots of successful black singers/athletes/actors/actresses/politicians with the children—many of whom the children knew about. Over the course of this year, and with a particular focus this month, we will be learning more about this celebration in school. If you are interested in participating at home, you may wish to choose to read some books written by black authors and illustrators. Here are a few book lists that highlight suitable texts for primary age children. (Click links to view.)

[Black Lives & Black History Children's Books](#) | BooksForTopics;

[Black History Month](#) | BookTrust

[Children's Books by Black Writers and Illustrators](#) | Waterstones



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please keep in your prayers the following children who will be receiving the Eucharist for the first time tomorrow, Saturday 9th October, at their First Holy Communion Mass at St Peter's Church: Anton, Bobbie, Ethan, Joseph, Adele, Vincent, Poppie, Ann, Amelia-Rose, Bianca, Cairo, Princija, Sarah, Kevin, Ksawery, Zofia, Wojciech and Kristina.

We wish the children, especially those who have waited 2 years due to Covid-19, a holy and joyful day.
Holding you all in love and prayer.

Registration for First Holy Communion in 2022

First Holy Communion 2022 at English Martyrs, Tuffley and St Augustine's, Matson: Parents of children in School Year 3 and above who wish their child to make First Holy Communion in 2022 are asked to complete the joint application form for our parishes. The application form is on the parish website www.gloucesteremaoc.com, currently on the newsletter page, can be picked up at school reception and will also be available at the Churches. The application should be returned to Fr Gerry or one of the

First Holy Communion 2022 at St Peter's: Parents of children who are baptised Roman Catholic and in Y3 or above and who wish them to make their First Holy Communion in 2022 are asked to complete and return an application form. These will be on the parish website and at the back of the church this weekend. The closing date for receipt of completed forms is November 12th, 2021.

PARENT GOVERNOR

We are pleased to announce that, following requests for nominations for the above vacancy, Mrs Sameera Veshmia has been appointed parent governor. She will be joining our other parent governors, Mr Charlie Aspinall and Mrs Cecylia Cole, in carrying out this important role.

Leaders In Faith

Last Tuesday a team of Y6 pupils led on the Act Of Worship based on our core value: FRIENDSHIP.

The children re-enacted the story of The Good Samaritan and helped us to understand that everyone is our neighbour and that God asks us to care for our neighbours—to care for those in need. They also helped us to understand that helping people in need can be done 'directly' and 'indirectly'. Finally, they wrote a beautiful prayer which they shared with everyone as follows:



Dear Lord Jesus, We THANK YOU for all you have done for us, and for all those people who have helped us. We are SORRY for all the times that we have not been a good neighbour. We LOVE you. PLEASE help us to show our love for you by being a good neighbour and reaching out to those in need. Amen.

This Tuesday, our Y4 Leaders In Faith, shared the story of St. Therese, The Little Flower. They told us how Therese did little things that made a big difference and so we thought of ways in which we can follow her good example and do little things to make a big difference for our friends and family. They also wrote a beautiful prayer:



Dear God, We are sorry for all the times when we have been selfish and not made good choices. We love you and we thank you for giving us St. Therese. She has shown us her '@Little Way' of doing good things for others. Help us to be like St. Therese so that we do little things with great love to make a difference to others. Amen.

The children also learned that we belong to a family of Catholic Schools in Gloucestershire called The Little Way family—named after St. Therese.



Free School Meals

Your children might be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) if you get certain benefits, and for an up to date list of these, please read the Frequently Asked Questions section in the link below. When your child is on the FSM register, the school is given extra funding, and this is called Pupil Premium. Pupil Premium can be used by the school in a variety of ways to help support your child, and this can extend to the school funding 'extras' such as your child's trips or music lessons.

Your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, also called 'Ever 6', for six years after they are no longer on the Free School Meal register. This will more than likely mean that your child will continue to benefit in secondary school. The application process is really simple, and can be done online through the link below. It is the same login you used to apply for a Primary School place, you only need your NI number, and you get an answer straight away.

Please note that FSM is not the same as Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM), where children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are automatically entitled to a free school meal, so if your child is in one of these year groups, it is still worth applying.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

HARVEST SERVICE

All food donations gratefully accepted every day next week—please see separate Schooling with all the information.

All food donations will go to the Gloucester Foodbank.

Thank you in advance for your generosity in helping our friends in need—this shows you are living life to the full and showing love for others. Thank you.



HELP

PFA HELP NEEDED!

At the end of the Summer term the PFA Chair and Secretary stepped down from their roles.

At the PFA annual general meeting on 16th September, there were no nominations for the role of Chair or Secretary. This means that we only have one more opportunity to hold nominations for the role of Chair at the next meeting (Monday 18th October at 7.30pm). If no nominations are received then we will no longer be able to continue as a committee.

The PFA organises the school discos, Christmas fayre, the Summer Fun day, and the Year 6 Leavers celebrations and yearbook. Without volunteers we won't be able to continue to organise these events and without the events the children miss out on their treats such as Christmas pantomime, school books, the Opal sandpit, Opal play equipment, Forest School equipment and many more things! This would be such a great loss for the school, the children and for everyone who has been involved in the PFA over the years.

If anyone is interested in the role of Chair for the PFA and has any questions please contact Mrs Baron. Nominations will need to be emailed to Mrs Baron using the admin@ email address by Friday 15th October.

Your attendance at the next Zoom meeting would also be greatly appreciated.

Meeting ID - 793 7178 6536
Passcode - ex3gKT

Writing Champions



Maths Champions



Learning Champions



Reading Champions



Writing Champions



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Learning Champions



Reading Champions



Learning Gem



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 12th Oct	Whole School	Harvest	9.15am
Tuesday 12th Oct	Y6	Winchcombe Railway Trip	Leave 8.25am and return by the end of the school day
Wednesday 20th Oct	Whole School	Parents' Evening	3.30pm—6.10pm via School Cloud
Thursday 21st Oct	Whole School	Parents' Evening	3.30pm—6.10pm via School Cloud
Friday 22nd Oct		Finish normal time for Half Term	
Monday 25th Oct		HALF TERM	
Mon/Tues 1st/2nd Nov		INSET DAYS	
Wednesday 3rd Nov	Whole School	Start of the new term	8.55am

DINNER MENU – w/c 11th OCTOBER

Monday	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetable & Bean Fajitas	Jacket Potato
Tuesday	Sausage Roll	Tomato, Lentil Pasta Bake	Jacket Potato
Wednesday	Roast Chicken	Vegetable Wellington	Jacket Potato
Thursday	Beef Spaghetti Bolognaise	Vegetable Sausage Hotdog	Jacket Potato
Friday	Fish Fingers & Chips	Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel	Jacket Potato

HOUSE POINTS

Weekly Totals		Cumulative Totals	
Fire	272	Fire	575
Earth	258	Earth	631
Water	227	Water	566
Wind	303	Wind	632

CONGRATULATIONS
TO
ALL IN WIND!