



St. Peter's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 21 Friday 04/03/2022

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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

Year Group	Maths	English	Science
R	Odd & even numbers	Labelling & writing captions	Life cycles of plants
Y1	Representing & counting up to 50	Retelling part of the 'Encanto' story	Plants
Y2	Number & Assessments	Assess Writing	The Life Cycle
Y3	Money & Assessments	Pebble in my Pocket & Assessments	Animals including humans
Y4	Assessment Week	Assessment Week	Living things & their habitats
Y5	Decimals, fractions & percentages	Descriptive writing	Forces
Y6	Assessment Week	Balanced Arguments	Animals including humans

RE CURRICULUM

RECEPTION	Listen to and talk about season of Lent
Y1	Recognise Lenten vocabulary
Y2	Forgiveness & The Lost Sheep
Y3	Comparing our views & the actions of others in the Gospel. We are reading the narrative of Nicodemus
Y4	WALT describe the temptations Jesus faced and explain the meaning of them
Y5	Metanoia
Y6	Explaining the journey Catechumens make

ASH WEDNESDAY



On Wednesday we started the season of Lent with our Ash Wednesday Liturgy.

All children and staff were invited to receive ashes which were distributed by Mons Liam, and the Year 5 and 6 Chaplains.

It was a very reflective occasion and gave us all the opportunity to think how we can live like Jesus using the Three Pillars of Fast, Pray and Give.

As the term continues, we will continue to use these Pillars as we live, love and learn in the footsteps of Jesus to build a better world.

LEADERS OF FAITH

Congratulations to our Y5 and Y6 Chaplaincy Leaders who distributed ashes with respect and reverence on Ash Wednesday.



Congratulations to our Y2 and Y3 children who read beautifully at our Ash Wednesday service.



Congratulations to our Y5 children who helped Mrs Baron create the Lent display.

During Lent we are all called to reflect on 3 key areas (we call these Lenten Pillars) of PRAYER, GIVING and FASTING.

Who will you PRAY for during Lent?

What acts of kindness can you do to GIVE others happiness?

What treats can you go without so that you FAST during Lent?



Congratulations to our Y5 children who led our Gospel Act of Worship before half term on the Sermon on the Mount. They worked incredibly well together as a team and had lots of great ideas. They also created this wonderful interactive display. Thank you and well done!



OUR COVID RAINBOW GARDEN



I'm sure you will have noticed the daffodils blooming in our garden but have you also noticed the snowdrops and primroses?

Last year all the children in school were involved in planting bulbs and seeds so that we could have a wonderful, colourful array of flowers throughout March. This rainbow of colours reminds us of March 2020 when we had to go into lockdown because of the coronavirus pandemic. It helps us to remember the terrible suffering experienced by so many families and the selfless dedication of so many front-line and key workers. We continue to hold all in love and prayer.

PEACE, HOPE & LOVE TO THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

This week, we have been keeping the people of Ukraine very much in our thoughts and prayers.

On Tuesday, the School Council met with Mrs MacDonald to discuss how we, as a school family, could help our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. They came up with the following ideas:

Every class to make a 3D sunflower or blue field flower with messages of support that we could then make into a bouquet and give to the Ukrainian Church in Gloucester.

Send a letter to all our parents asking them to send in items requested by the Ukrainian community. These items will then be donated to the Ukrainian Church in Gloucester.

We have been overwhelmed by your generosity and know that these items will bring hope to the people of Ukraine as they will feel supported and know that we are thinking about them at this difficult time.

We have re-lit our CANDLE OF HOPE and it will burn 24/7 while this war is going on. Our candle of hope is inscribed with the words, 'Together we are stronger' - how true!

Please find below a beautiful prayer which you might like to say together as a family:

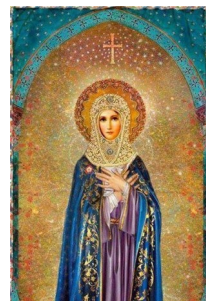
Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them
and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and
wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world. Amen

Amen.



UKRAINE APPEAL

The Ukrainian Church of the Good Shepherd are no longer able to accept donations of goods due to storage issues. If you still would like to help, they are accepting donations to help fund the delivery of the goods to a warehouse in Poland.

Polish Association Gloucester—Charity Number 1176870

Sort Code—40-22-09 Account Number—92610531 Ref—Help Ukraine

LIVE LOVE LEARN IN ACTION

Harrison (1AF) and his family completed the February Fitness Challenge for Macmillan. The challenge was to complete a fitness activity every single day throughout February whilst documenting and raising funds for Macmillan.

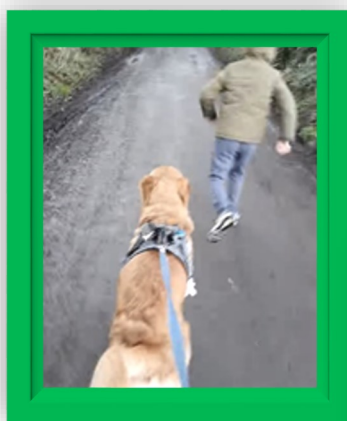
They have been swimming, walking, running, trampoline-ing, hula hooping and dancing to name but a few of their sporting endeavours.

In total Harrison and his family have raised over £1,000 in 1 month!!

By giving of his time every day to complete a fitness activity and raise money for the Macmillan charity, Harrison has lived out our school mission. He has 'lived life to the full by being active in the community' and he has shown 'love' for others less fortunate than himself.

We think you are amazing! You are a su-

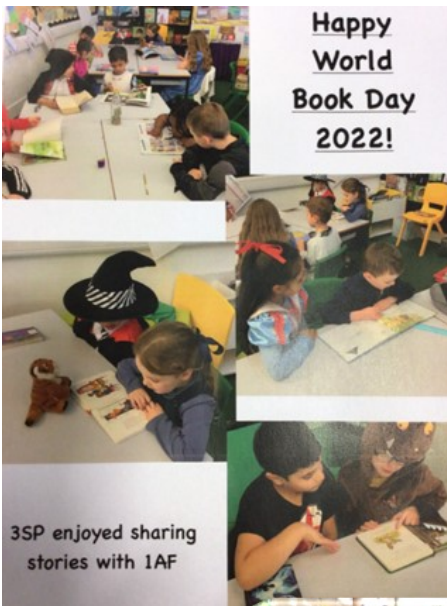
perstar! Well done, Harrison!



WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 3rd March was the 25th Anniversary of World Book Day.

We had a wonderful day at school seeing the children in their amazing book inspired costumes. The day began with a surprise visitor - Minnie Mouse - popping by all of the classrooms to say Hello. Next the children completed a range of book related activities in their classroom then learnt about an illustrator and enjoyed trying to illustrate a book of their own.



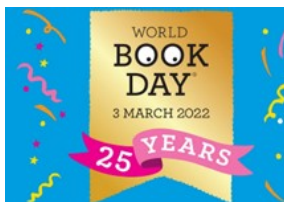
Lena 6CJ - "I enjoyed reading with reception children - it was great fun to spend time sharing a book with them."

Daisy 6CJ - "I loved having the chance to stop and appreciate books and understand how important these are."

Freddie 1BM - "I've loved wearing my Harry Potter costume and seeing what everyone else is wearing."

Aubrey 1BM - "I had the best time reading with Megan from Year 5. She read Little Red Riding Hood to me."

Aaron 1BM - "My favourite thing about World Book Day was our quiz all about books and reading with year 5."



Ava 3SP - I enjoyed meeting up with Year 1 and reading a book, it was really fun.

Rochelle 3SP - I was excited to read parts of the BFG, watch the clip and create my own dream jar!

Kyra 3DS - I've loved dressing up as my favourite character, Stich.

Chizaram RVM - I like the book Geronimo, he could not fly.

Joenna RAE - I read Cinderella with Year 6.

Rhyan 2ZW - We loved drawing the character Beegu by Alexis Deacon the illustrator.

Shayla 2ZW - I had so much fun making my bookmark of my favourite book character Elsa from Frozen

After break it was time for assembly and we even had our own game of Where's Wally! All of the children listened to the World Book Day song by MC Grammar and then prepared to have a lovely session with a reading buddy from across the school. It was beautiful seeing and hearing the children discuss their favourite books and characters together.



How can you get involved with World Book Day at home?

Book tokens

Enjoy getting a new book for your child using the special £1 book tokens.

Reading Challenge

Take a photograph of you reading in the most unusual and peculiar place you can think of. Make sure you are safe, then take a photograph of you reading there and upload it to the School Challenge on DB Primary.

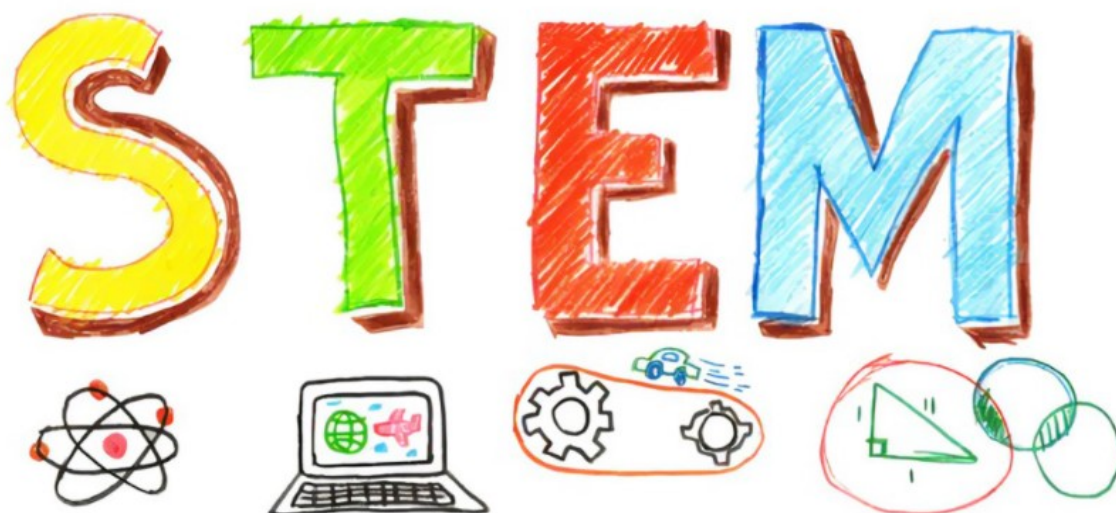
Author's Challenge

Using just ONE PAGE of A4 paper, can you complete a short story of your own.? Practice your writing skills and imagine being a real life author to be in with a chance of being published in our own St Peter's Library and enjoy a special prize book of your own too.

There will be winners from each phase in school - Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2.

All entries must be completed and uploaded to DB Primary or handed in to your class teacher by next Friday 11th March 2022. Good luck!





St Peter's Science Week - 14th - 18th March 2022

After half term we are preparing to celebrate British Science Week in school from Monday 14th March. The theme this year is 'GROWTH'. Throughout the week the children will enjoy different lessons, activities and investigations around the theme of GROWTH. At the end of the week we are going to celebrate some special Science Champion Awards and feedback any children who are considering a career in the STEM sector when they grow up.

How can I help with St Peter's Science week?

Do you currently work in the STEM sector? Do you have any information you would be willing to share to about your career and the path that led you to work in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths? Would you be happy to take part in a question and answer session with some children? If so, please contact Mrs Martin in RVM or pass your details on to your child's class teacher/ or the office if you are happy for me to contact you. Thank you.

How can I celebrate British Science Week at home?

To get involved at home please visit the British Science Week website and consider helping your child enter the poster competition.

<https://www.britishscienceweek.org/plan-your-activities/poster-competition/>



Poster competition - British Science Week

Yes, it's true - our poster competition is BACK in 2022! The theme for British Science Week 2022 poster competition is 'Growth'. The deadline for entering the competition is 5pm on the 15 April 2022.

www.britishscienceweek.org

Entries for the poster competition must be one page of A4 or A3 paper only and explore the theme GROWTH in any way that you choose.

COVID VACCINATIONS FOR 5-11 YEAR OLDS

Vaccinations help to increase protection against Covid19, which is particularly important for those with underlying health conditions. Being vaccinated minimises the need for children and young people to have time off from school, and helps them to continue to carry out their hobbies, attend social events and live their lives to the full.

The Government has published some frequently asked questions (FAQs) https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/02/11/vaccinations-for-clinically-vulnerable-children-and-young-people-your-questions-answered/?utm_source=16%20February%202022%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19 on the vaccination programme including information on eligibility, accessibility and advice for parents of children at high risk

THIS TERMS RESULTS FOR CORE VALUE

COURAGE	116
PERSEVERANCE	82
WISDOM	90

CORE VALUES

Our next core value will be COURAGE - we shine when we show courage. Courage and bravery are ideas we often hear about, but they are usually linked to some dramatic act of heroism. It is much rarer that courage and bravery are related to the ordinary life experiences of ordinary people – and even rarer the ordinary experiences of children. This term we will help the children to recognise that true courage is not only heroic acts in extremely unusual situations but may be the simple fact of surviving through difficult circumstances each and every day or facing the challenges and opportunities that each new day brings with determination, hope, optimism and bravery.



BOY'S FOOTBALL TEAM NEWS!

The football team played their 1st Knockout Cup match this Thursday against Tredworth in a battle to get through to the next round. Again, the team really rose to the challenge and gave another of their best performances this season. This time the ball did go in the back of the net giving us a 3-0 win and taking us through to the semi-finals. Well done to the team!



PFA VALENTINE'S DAY RAFFLE



Thank you to everyone who bought a Valentine's Day Raffle ticket. The winners are as follows:-

- 1st Prize Jack 1AF
- 2nd Prize Henry RAE
- 3rd Prize Leo RVM
- 4th Prize Kyra 3MC
- 5th Prize Khyan 2ZW
- 6th Prize Vittorio 1AF
- 7th Prize Jack 1AF
- 8th Prize Jack IBM
- 9th Prize Mieszko 2ZW
- 10th Prize Noah RVM
- 11th Prize Naayt RAE
- 12th Prize Jake 3MC
- 13th Prize Deanna 1BM

Friday 11th February

Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Learning Gem Certificates We've got the power!

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thurs 7th April	Whole School	Maundy Thursday Service	1.30pm
Fri 8th April		EASTER HOLIDAYS— FINISH 1.00pm	
Tues 19th April		Allocation Day for Primary School	
Mon 25th April	Whole School	Start of the new term	
Mon 25th April	Whole School	St George's Day	Wear a red accessory
Tues 26th April	Whole School	Resurrection Mass	2.00pm
Mon 2nd May		BANK HOLIDAY	
Tues 3rd May	Whole School	May Procession	2.30pm
Thurs 26th May	Whole School	Ascension Thursday Mass	2.15pm
Fri 27th May	Whole School	Queen's Platinum Jubilee	
Fri 27th May		FINISH FOR HALF TERM	
		NORMAL TIME	
Mon 30th May		HALF TERM	

DINNER MENU – w/c 7th MARCH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Macaroni Cheese	Spaghetti Bolognese	Roast Chicken	Sausage & Mash	Battered Fish & Chips
Vegan Sausage Roll	Vegan Burger	Roast Quorn	Veggie Chilli & Rice	Cheese & Bean Pasty
Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato

HOUSE POINTS

Weekly Totals		Cumulative Totals	
Fire	178	Fire	736
Earth	77	Earth	654
Water	118	Water	651
Wind	149	Wind	596

