Newsletter

St Peter's Roman Catholic Primary School

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This week's prayer focus: "We are all invited to be part of God's family, how will you accept that invitation?"

School News

Last week in school...It was yet another busy week at St Peter's last week! Our Year 5 Reading Leaders were appointed - well done to these children who have offered to spend some of their free time supporting the smooth running of our library as well as encouraging our younger children to engage in the love of books.

Our older children have also been applying for roles with Mr Patterson as part of our refreshed approach to breaks and lunches - we really do champion pupil leadership and there are so many roles and responsibilities available!

Thank you for the understanding with the water closure - with zero water from 3.10pm we couldn't stay open for football or Keys Club with no means to flush toilets, wash hands or fill water bottles.

Friday was just a fabulous day - the children had an absolute ball as they took part in a round robin of exciting activities; Glow Dance and Dodgeball, Road Safety or Heartstart (CPR and First Aid), Playground Engagement and Active Play and of course...our Sponsored Colour Run which included cycling and 'swimming' stations thanks to TriKidz. Wow what a memorable day for all involved - special thanks to Miss Lynch for her awesome organisation! Thank you for all the sponsor forms and money that have already been returned, please can any outstanding sponsorship and forms be sent to school asap. Thank you for your support in helping us to provide wow experiences for your children.

Our Friends of St Peter's Spooktacular

This will take place at school on Thursday 15th October, from 5.45pm to 7.45pm. All tickets sold out within less than an hour! Sorry to those who were disappointed, we do have a waiting list so if anyone has a spare ticket please let the office know.

Everyone attending must have a ticket, and all children must be accompanied by an adult. A reminder that adults are responsible for their children at all times - Classes 1, 4 and 5 will be closed and out of bounds and no children should be outside unsupervised in the dark either please. Cash will be needed for the stalls. We are looking at ways of bringing in a prepay/token system for future events as we know less and less people carry cash nowadays.

Other School Updates

We finish on Friday for our 2 week half term. It has been a superb start to the new school year; thank you to all our supportive and positive parents and carers who work with us a team for the benefit of the children. The holiday list for September 2027 - July 2028 has now been agreed and will be emailed to you today as well as put on our website. With the way Easter falls in 2028 as well as an extra Bank Holiday in January due to New Years Day on a weekend it has made our pattern next school year a bit different to normal The main difference is we will be off for the week before Holy Week in 2028, rather than the week after; this aligns us more with the High Schools and supports childcare arrangements more. Please can I ask that you check the holiday pattern very carefully before you book any holidays. Holidays in term time, regardless of reason, cannot be authorised.

I am very excited to let you know that over half term an outdoor nurture and therapy pod will be installed next to the EYFS playground. This has been made possible by us winning a bid for funding from Lancashire LA. The pod will be called 'The Haven' and we can't wait to get it up and running!

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Top Class Readers

Number of pupils reading x4 per week

Class 1 – 8 out of 10
Class 2 – 10 out of 30
Class 3 – 20 out of 29
Class 4 – 21 out of 30
Class 5 – 15 out of 31

Stay and Pray

Classes 1 and 2

Attendance

Total = 99.5%

Lates – 5 lates

(4 families)

Class 1 - 99.4%
Class 2 - 100%
Class 3 -100%
Class 4 - 98.1%
Class 5 - 100%

Stars of the week

No Assembly due to Change 4 Life day!

Chaplaincy Awards –

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Dates for your diary...

- Tuesday 13th October - Meeting for Year 3 Sacramental Programme children and parents at 3.30pm with Father Stamp at school.
- Wednesday 14th October - Nasal Flu Vaccine - Consent email from IntraHealth sent yesterday for you to respond to.
- Friday 16th October - Class 5 Assembly, school closes for 2 week half term.
- Monday 2nd November - School re-opens after the half term holiday.
- Wednesday 4th November - Parents Evening 2pm - 7pm (going live tomorrow) . Book Fair will also arrive on this day and will be set up in the hall.
- Tuesday 10thNovember - Year 5 Chaplains & Prayer Leader training afternoon at the Church Hall followed by commissioning at Church with Father Stamp at 4pm.

Happy Birthday this week and in the holidays to...

Theo, Haidee, Darby, Hendrix, Elsie, Amelie, Viola, Rosie W, Penny C, Mrs Wood & Mrs Goodwin!

Assembly & Harvest Festival

This week Class 5 will be leading Assembly on the theme of Harvest. Miss Green and the children have asked for any donations of tins, pasta and toiletries could please be sent in anytime this week for them to pass on to our local Food Bank - Rossendale RAFT.

A polite reminder that no recording or photos are permitted to be taken by anyone other than school staff during Assembly.

Wishing you all a lovely half term!

In the first newsletter after the holiday I will share all the dates for the Christmas half term events.

Helen Sullivan
Headteacher

Mindful Behaviour

This week our mindfulness sessions support children in their emotional regulation. It is important that children learn how to understand their own emotions and how they affect them. It is also important for children to recognise the emotions of others.

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