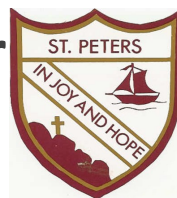


ST PETER'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

December 2017

NEWSLETTER



Christmas Show

I am sure you will join me in congratulating our infant children and staff for their wonderful Christmas play, "A king is born." The narrators are doing a great job in leading our story. The Holy Family, Family at Christmas, travellers, drum rollers, Caesar, the shepherds, angels, wise men, stars, camels, sheep, donkey, inn keepers and rest of the cast must all be praised for their wonderful acting. The children really should be praised for their brilliant singing and actions. They are all fabulous!

A Big Goodbye!

We will be saying goodbye to Mr Dobbins tomorrow, who has worked at St Peter's on long term supply for over a year with all children in every classroom. He'll be sadly missed. We wish him the best of luck in his new school and hope he will work here again in the future.



Christmas Sing Along

Our Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Sing Along, held in church, were a great success this year, raising money for Wirral's homeless in the process. The whole St Peter's family looked fabulous dressed in their Christmas jumpers. I am sure you will agree with me that the children sang beautifully and should be congratulated. The children were thrilled that so many family members were able to make it to sing along with them.



Roaming Romans

This term Year 4 and 5 have been studying the Romans. They have had two wonderful days of roaming. They have spent a day in Chester exploring all things Roman and a themed day in school. During the themed day in school they cooked Roman food, made jewellery and much more. It was an entertainment to the whole school to see so many Romans walking our corridors!



Advent Celebrations

On Monday 18th December, children from across Key Stage 2 took part in a Catholic Schools Together Advent Liturgy. On the day, our children all sang beautifully. Some of our children performed a dance based upon the thoughts of Mary about Jesus, her son. The children have put a lot of time and effort into preparing this dance and should be very proud of themselves. Our dancers also took part in a Carols by Candlelight Celebration held at St Michael and All Angels Church on Tuesday night. Their performance was wonderful, earning them a great deal of praise from the congregation. For those unable to attend the event, the children will perform the dance again during our end of term Mass on Thursday.

Personality Profiling

This term our staff and parents had a most enjoyable day learning about personality profiling. We spent time thinking about the strengths and challenges of different personality types and ways to manage behaviour and bring out the best out in people. It was a lot of fun. The next sessions will take place at St Peter's on the 9th and 16th of February. All are welcome to come along to these days which will run from 9.00- 4.30 (after school crèche available for pupils.)



Frost Fun and Fundraising

A big thank you must go to Frost this term for the fun and fund raising they have brought to St Peters.

The half term began with a fabulous Halloween Disco. The children really got into the swing of things and went to impressive lengths to terrify the staff and helpers with their costumes and makeup.

Our staff, parents and parish had great fun at our Autumn Bonkers Bingo...which truly was bonkers! This event raised more than £350. This money has towards the cost of the children's Christmas party, our Oakland's and Barnstondale trips. Our party day will take place on Thursday this week. We are very much looking forward to it.

Festive Fun

The school has been full of festive fun over the past few days.

Last week the children all enjoyed their school Christmas dinner. Sitting with their friends, teachers and teaching assistants, never have we seen the children so happy to eat their vegetables! I know they are looking forward to the sugar rush our party day will bring.



Church

Turning our minds to Church: Our end of term Mass will take place on Thursday 21st December at 9:30am. As always, all parents are welcome. Sunday Club will begin again on Sunday 14th January.

Christmas Mass at St Peter's will take place at 5.00pm on Christmas Eve St Peter's and Holy Name. Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve will begin at 11.30 pm at Holy Name. Christmas Day Mass will take place at 10.30 am at Holy Name.

Anti-Bullying Week

In anti-bullying week we launched our new anti-bullying policy and guidance for parents and children. A big thank you must go to the parents and children who helped with the writing of these guides which really are very useful. During the week we held a number of workshops and assemblies for the children and parents. Working with Kayte Walsh from My Esteem, the Multi-Ethnic Achievement Service and staff in school, the children explored different forms of bullying and discrimination. They made some very thoughtful responses. It is good to see that they know how to respond to bullying and discrimination. As always, if you are concerned about any form of bullying or discrimination, please let us know. Our policies and guidance are available on our website or via the school office.



School Facebook and Website



Our children are very excited to be included on our Facebook business page. If you have not yet had a look, our account can be accessed from our Website. Our school website can be accessed by visiting: stpeterscatholicprimary.eschools.co.uk. If you no longer wish pictures of your children to be included on these sites, please let us know.



Attendance League

Week Ending	First	Second	Winning House
03.11.17	Year 5	Foundation Stage	St Andrew
10.11.17	Year 3	Foundation Stage	St George
17.11.17	Year 3	Year 6	St David
24.11.17	Year 3	Foundation Stage	St George
01.12.17	Foundation Stage	Year 3	St Andrew
08.12.17	Foundation Stage	Year 3	St George
15.12.17	Year 5	Foundation Stage	St George

Attendance and House League

Could I take this opportunity to remind all parents of the DFE's legislation that any holidays taken during term time will not be authorised except in exceptional circumstances and may lead to prosecution by the Local Authority.

Children from Foundation 2 up, who are entitled to free school meals (not the universal infant free school meal), are always welcome to a free place at our breakfast club.

21.12.17	End of Term Mass	9:30am
	Break up for Christmas Break	3:15pm
08.01.18	School re-opens to children	8:50am

The Governors, Staff and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.