ST PETER'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2017





Visit from Frank Field MP

At the beginning of this term we were very lucky in receiving a visit from Frank Field and George Davis. Our MP came to school to talk to the School Council about his work as an MP and about the work which is going on to improve

Birkenhead. The children really enjoyed speaking to him and were inspired to continue to help in our local community.

<u>School Policies</u> A number of our school policies are currently open for consultation and we would like to hear your views. The policies can be found on our website in the 'Key Info' tab under 'Draft Policies'. You can also ask for a copy of these or any other policy from the school office. Please return any comments or suggestions to the school office for consideration.

One World Week

During One World Week at the end of January, a range of visitors have helped our children to explore and celebrate similarities and differences within our own and other world religions and cultures.



Whilst working with the Fun Food Chef, the children have enjoyed learning about Chinese culture and specifically about Chinese New Year. We all enjoyed the wonderful aromas drifting around the school as the children prepared, cooked and ate a Chinese New Year Feast.

Working with their teachers, the children learned about a range of world faiths including Sikhism, Judaism, and Islam

The Multi Ethnic Achievement Service have given our children the opportunity to hear Bangladeshi and Chinese stories delivered by bilingual teachers. The children really enjoyed the experience, especially exploring chines artefacts and learning about Chinese new Year



Working with China Pearl, the children developed their understanding of Chinese culture further through ribbon dancing, origami, lantern making and Chinese writing.

Our Junior children also spent a day at the Liverpool Slavery Museum at the Albert dock. Whilst there, the children learned a great deal about the history of slavery. They also enjoyed taking part in a workshop looking at human rights.

St Peter's Race Night

A big thank you must go to FROST, Peter Sherry and you the parents for making our Race Night such a fabulous success. Thanks to your hard work and generosity, we have raised over £1400 which will be invaluable in helping to fund our residential and other school trips during the coming months. Our Race Nights really does go from strength to strength. The hall was filled to capacity and I know from feedback on the night that everyone who attended really enjoyed the event.



Art at St Peters

In January, a specialist art teacher has worked with Year 4 designing fabulous crosses. These now take pride of place in our hall. I know that the children enjoyed creating designs and completing the final 3 D work.





Valentine's Day

Love has been in the air this week at St Peters. I could tell from the gifts and card been passed about on Tuesday that a number of our children have secret, and in some cases not so secret admirers! The celebrations on Tuesday continued with a

delicious Valentine's Day lunch including chicken nuggets or spaghetti bolognaise, chocolate strawberries, cupcakes and milkshake. Wednesday this week saw our Valentine Disco. As always the children thoroughly enjoyed the event and dressed to impress. Thanks once again to FROST for fundraising and organising the event.

Website

More information about our school can be found by visiting our website at

stpeterscatholicprimary.eschools.co.uk. For the best viewing experience, use Google Chrome to view.
Thank you to all parents who allow photographs to be shared on our website and newsletters. Please contact the office if, for any reason you no longer wish for images of your children to be shared in this way.

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.

Monday 17th February	School closes to children	
Monday 27th February	School re-opens to children	
Thursday 2nd March	World Book Day	
Wednesday 8th March to Friday 10th March	Year 6 residential holiday to Oakland's	
Wednesday 22nd March	Parents evening	
Friday 24th March	First Forgiveness for Year 3 (2:30pm)	

Attendance League		
Week Ending	First	Second
13.01.17	Yr2	Yr3
20.01.17	Yr3	Yr2
27.01.17	Yr2	F2
03.02.17	Yr4	Yr6
10.02.17	Yr2	Yr4

Facebook

St Peter's has just launched a Facebook page where you can keep up to date with events from the school day as well as lots of other exciting news! Just search St Peters Catholic Primary and look for our badge.

Attendance and punctuality

Special congratulations should go to Year 2 who have been at the top of our attendance league so often this half term. A big thank you must go to all our children and families who have worked hard to be in school on time every day. Good punctuality and attendance always leads to increased learning! Our attendance bronze medals for good attendance were given out during our first week back in January. 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.

The Governors, Staff and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very enjoyable half term break. We look forward to seeing you again on the 27th February.

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