

# Newsletter 8

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Dear Parents,

We have had a fantastic first week back at school after the half term break, and already there has been so much going on, with some incredible learning taking place. Although the days are getting darker, there is always lots of joy and celebration here at St. Peter's!

On Wednesday morning, we celebrated the feast of All Saints Day with a beautiful Mass in school led by Fr. Henry. The singing was wonderful, and Fr Henry reminded us that we are all saints in the eyes of God. Many thanks to the Y4 children who read so beautifully.

Fr. Henry also visited Y6 on Tuesday afternoon as part of their RE Topic on vocations. There was lots of rich discussion and some fantastic questions from the children.

Earlier today, Reception and Year 1 each enjoyed a wonderful history workshop based on their topics of Bonfire Night and the Great Fire of London respectively. It was a rich and engaging learning experience in school for our younger children.

Please remember to keep an eye on the school website and class Twitter pages for more information about all the learning that is taking place in school. Just a few things to mention this week:

# **RECPEPTION CLASS APPLICATIONS**

In addition, applications are also open for any parents with children who will be eligible to start the new Reception class in September 2024. This will be for any child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020. **The closing date for this is 15th January 2024.** 

https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/primary-admissions

### **RECEPTION CLASS**

We have some places available in our current Reception class. If you know of anyone who is seeking a school place for their child, please encourage them to contact the school office for more information.

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

The designated safeguarding leads at St. Peter's are myself and Mrs Brewster. Please speak to one of us in confidence if you have any concerns.

#### **UNIFORM REMINDER**

The uniform requirements are available on the school website. If there is a valid reason for your child to have a uniform variation please contact the school office in advance.

## **POPPY APPEAL**

Poppies and other merchandise will be available to buy at first break for both KS1 and KS2 children next week. The School Council members will selling the items in the playground. Paper poppies are 50p, bracelets, 'snapbands' and keyrings are £1. All items are available from the school office before and after school.

#### **PUMPKIN COMPETITION**

There were some amazing, creative entries for the pumpkin competition on Monday. It was judged by the Year 6 School Councillors and me, and it was so hard to choose just one winner from each class. After much deliberation, the following winners were agreed:

Olivia, Ava-Mae, George, Oliver, Faith, Adam and Meadow. Well done and thank you to everyone who took part.

#### FREE DONCASTER ROVERS TICKETS

We have partnered with Doncaster Rovers 'Rovers Rewards' initiative and as part of this we are able to offer pupils the opportunity to attend a Doncaster Rovers game for FREE. The FREE ticket will be available for the Doncaster Rovers v Walsall game on Saturday November 18 (3pm kick-off) against Walsall. Please see the attached letter for details.

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Happy Birthday this week to Tobiasz, Mason, Ellouise, Ava-Mae and Tapona We hope you have a wonderful time with your family and friends.

## **CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY**

Well done to these special children – our 'living saints' who make our school brighter through their small and ordinary acts of kindness, thoughtfulness and gentleness.



Sam & Chloe Heidi & Buddy Georgia & Adi



Faith & Julia TJ & Adam Sofia & Joseph

#### ATTENDANCE

Well done to Year 2 winners of this week's attendances award with a fantastic 9767%.

## **DIARY DATES**

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November: Y6 Remembrance Liturgy 10.45am all welcome
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November: Y5 Viking experience day in school
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November: Non uniform day Children in Need £1 donation
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November (am): Y2 visit to Aircraft Museum
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November: Year 5 Come and See Assembly: 9.10am
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December: Advent Wreath Blessing Service 9.15am all welcome
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>/Thursday 14th December EYFS/KS1 Nativity Time tbc (pm)
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas jumpers/Christmas dinner/movie afternoon
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December: Christmas party afternoon
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December: Advent Liturgy 9.15am
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December: School closes 1.30pm

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and I look forward to seeing your smiles at the gate on Monday morning.

God Bless,

Mrs Young