

Newsletter 26

28th March 2024

www.stpeterdoncaster.co.uk

Dear Parents and carers,

As we reach the end of term, it is an opportunity to pause and reflect on all the wonderful work that has taken place in school over the last few weeks.

This week has seen the completion of our Lenten journey in school, with each Key Stage 2 class preparing a liturgy based on the events of Holy Week. Each liturgy was very different, all thoughtfully and beautifully presented and a fitting reminder of the Easter story, which is such an important part of our Catholic faith. Thank you to all children and the staff involved in planning and preparing these liturgies, and to all parents and family members who have come along to watch.

This week, some of our KS2 pupils have participated in a hockey tournament at Doncaster Hockey Club. On Monday, our Y6 pupils were successful and came away as overall winners with an amazing shield for our trophy cabinet. Congratulations to Triejon, Aoife, Jonah, Sofia, Ezekiel, Nell, Harry, Abdul, Alice and Ethan. On Tuesday afternoon, it was the turn of Year 3 and 4 who again performed brilliantly, and made it through to the semi-finals, losing to the eventual tournament winners. Well done to everyone who participated and represented our school so brilliantly. A huge thank you to the staff and parents who accompanied the children on the visit.

MRS PEAVOY AND MRS JONES

Today, we sadly have to say goodbye to Mrs Peavoy, our Year 4 teacher, and Mrs Jones, our school cook.

In the short amount of time she has been with us, Mrs Peavoy has made an enormous impact, working with compassion, dedication and commitment. Our Year 4 and Year 5 children have benefited enormously from her high quality teaching and care, and she has made a valued contribution to the wider life of our school. She will be sadly missed by us all, but we wish her well for the future and know that she will always be part of our St. Peter's family. She will be accompanying the Year 4 class on their trip to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park on 16th April. A supply teacher Mr. Cutts, will be covering the Year 4 class until May half term, before Miss Topliss takes up post in early June.

Mrs Jones has been the school cook here at St. Peter's for 16 years. Throughout her time here, she has worked so hard, providing our children with a hot meal each lunchtime. She always works with such positivity and kindness, and has got to know all our children so well. We will miss her enormously – especially her sweet treats! However, we wish her well for the future as she begins the next chapter of her life.

EASTER RAFFLE/NAME THE BEAR

Well done to Filip K who correctly guessed the name of the bear, Pickle.

The school disco, Easter raffle and Name the Bear raised £560 towards school funds. Thank you to everyone who supported these events.

DANUM READ ALOUD COMPETITION

Once again, our school was asked to participate in the Danum Read Aloud competition, which was held at Danum Museum and Library in the city centre yesterday. This year the theme was story openers. After a tough selection process in school, Phoebe was chosen by the School Council to represent St Peter's with a powerful rendition of the opening to 'The Book That No-one Wanted To Read' by Richard Ayoade. She returned home with a certificate for reaching the final and a lovely selection of books.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

In the summer 1 term a cricket after school club will run on Thursdays for Years 3 – 6. Please look out for the letter to sign up your child if they are interested.

SUMMER MENU

The summer term menu is now available to view on the school website. School meals are free to all pupils in KS1 and £2.55/day for pupils in KS2. If you would like your KS2 child switch to school meals please contact the office.

ROCKSTEADY LESSONS

There are a few places available for the rock and pop music lessons that will take place in school after Easter. All the information you need is on the Rocksteady website: https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com

EXTREME ROBOTS 2024 LIVE TOUR

St Peter's have been selected as a local school to receive 4 x FREE family ticket as part of a STEM initiative. The Extreme Robots live tour takes place at Doncaster Dome on Saturday April 20th from 4 – 6pm. Please see the flyer below for more details. If you would like to enter the draw for one of the family passes please email the office by Monday 15th April.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION DATES

The McAuley Catholic High School -10, $11 \& 12^{th}$ July Hall Cross Academy $-10 \& 11^{th}$ July The Hayfield School -8^{th} (5 -7pm), $9 \& 10^{th}$ July

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Year 5 who achieved the highest attendance in the Spring term with 96.83%. Well done to the following children with an 100% attendance record for the year so far: Mason BA, Mia B, Aoife, Ewan, Molly, Eizabeth, Suzy, George, Ethan H, Sienna, Adam, Hazel, Oliver, Georgie, Noah S, Samuel and Maisie.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Friday 29th March: School closed: Good Friday
- Monday 15th April: School re-opens.
- Tuesday 16th April: Year 3 and 4 visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park *please pay and consent on Arbor in order that your child can participate.*
- Monday 6th May: May Day Bank Holiday: School closed
- Thursday 9th May: Ascension Day Mass: 9.15am
- Monday 13th Thursday 16th May: KS2 SATS Week Y6
- Tuesday 21st Friday 24th May: Year 6 Residential to Holy Island final payments required now via Arbor.
- Friday 24th May: Break up for Half Term
- Monday 3rd June: Teacher Training Day School closed to all pupils.
- Friday 7th June: Buddy Lunch (Rec parents, Y6 and Reception pupils)

Tuesday 23rd July: School closes for Summer Holiday 1.30pm

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. During the Easter holidays please use the following email address to report any serious safeguarding concerns: safeguarding@stpeter.doncaster.sch.uk or report through this link Doncaster Council Children's Safeguarding Reporting

As we reach the end of term, I would like to thank you all for your continued support for our amazing school.

I wish you all a very happy and holy Easter. It is a joyful celebration in the Church's calendar, and I hope your holiday is filled with happiness. Let's hope we all enjoy some Spring sunshine! I look forward to seeing you all back in school on 15th April.

God Bless,

Mrs Young



Easter Holiday Provision



