



St. Peter's
Catholic Primary School

Term 2, Week 6
Friday 12th December 2014

Newsletter

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree!

Our Newsletter is taking a different turn this week; as you are aware, we are having our Christmas Fayre this afternoon, so there is no Star of the Week assembly for one week only! As everyone has been so busy preparing Christmas plays and tying up the loose ends of our year, this week our newsletter will give a quick overview of everything that's happened throughout the week in school.

Special thanks go to the Morgan Smith family for donating the most beautiful tree to our school. The children each donated a bauble in blue or silver and other decorations and lights were donated from the PTFA. Thanks also to Mrs. McGovern who helped Mrs. Morgan Smith to decorate the tree!

Thank you also to my little elves who have been supporting me in organising the Christmas Fayre! It looks like it will be a fabulous event! I look forward to seeing you all this evening at the Christmas Fayre; be prepared for some serious raffle ticket selling! ☺

Have a great weekend

Miss McNamara.



Dates for your diary

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| 12/12/14 | - Christmas Jumper day (Save the Children - £1) |
| | - Parents' Council (9am-10.30am) |
| | - Christmas Fayre (3.30-6.30pm) |
| 15/12/14 | - Year 4 and 5 to Trinity for Peace day (morning only) |
| | - KS1 performance (6.30pm) |
| 16/12/14 | - KS1 performance (2.15pm) |
| | - KS2 performance (6.30pm) |
| 17/12/14 | - Christmas lunch |
| | - KS1 performance (4pm) |
| | - KS2 performance (6.30pm) |

Prayer for the 3rd Sunday of Advent

People of God: Be glad!
Your God delights in you.
He will give you joy for sadness
and turn the dark to light.
Be strong in hope therefore;
for your God comes to save.

You are God's children
Lord make us one in the love
of Christ
for ever. Amen.



This week class 2 enjoyed 'expedition day'! We came to school wrapped up warm, dressed as explorers and we each brought our own rucksacks filled with our provisions. We brought really exciting things including compasses, maps, torches and even equipment to make fires! We helped out our explorer friend Chilly who had been lost in Leamington. Thankfully, we are brilliant at map reading and following clues and Chilly was found safe in Jephson Gardens. We had a great day, but we were pleased to bring Chilly home into the warm.

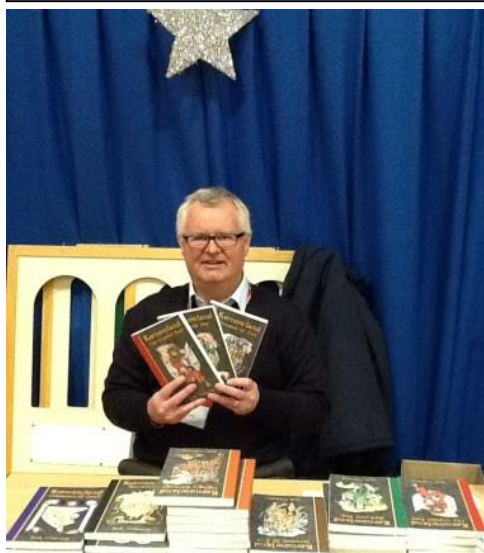


Class 1 joined class 2 this week on an 'Arctic Expedition'. We found a map in the playground written by 'Percy the Polar Bear' and 'Penguin' because they were lost and they needed our help to try and find them. We took our own provisions with us. We found clues along the way to help us to find them. When we reached the 'Arctic' we found Percy and Penguin in a hollow tree and they were very pleased to see us. We then had our snack and found our way back to 'Base Camp' using the maps we had made and our compasses.



This week in Science Class 3 have been learning about our bones and the function of our skeleton. The children have been reading food poems and made up their own poems about food. They have related division to multiplication in Numeracy. In R.E., the children have been thinking about how the shepherds felt when the angel appeared to them and told them the good news about Jesus' birth. Year 4 children have also been to Confession.

On Thursday afternoon, all children in Key Stage 2 went to Kingsley School to meet Jack Trelawny, an author who has written books for adults and children, including two children's trilogies set in Kernowland. This is the old Cornish name for Cornwall. He talked about his work as a writer, and how he often uses pictures as starting points, mixing them up to make new ideas and asking questions, then his imagination takes over. He talked to the children about the characters in his books, and read extracts from the first story in the series. The children enjoyed asking questions with Kingsley children about how he writes his books.



Class 4 have been busy this week with assessments and Christmas play rehearsals, a splendid combination, as well as the visit to Kingsley to hear the author Jack Trelawny as reported elsewhere in this newsletter. We have also been preparing some shapes for the backdrop for our Christmas play, involving much drawing and cutting.

Thank you to everyone who donated the fabulous toys and books for the SPAN Christmas parcels and also everyone who turned up to wrap them all. We couldn't have done it without you.

Marie O'Riley (on behalf of SPAN)

