



St. Peter's
Catholic Primary School

Term 4, Week 1
Friday 27th February 2015

Newsletter

Gallery Glory!

Yesterday, the whole school walked down to the Leamington Spa Art Gallery for the final installation of the art work that we've been working on since Christmas. Thank you to all of the parents who turned up to see the project; I'm sure you'll agree that we clearly have some very talented artists in our school! It was so lovely to see the children's work displayed in the Gallery and I would like to extend our thanks to Sally, Chloe and Penelope for their enthusiasm and efforts over the last 6 months.

We have successfully introduced online banking this week and already, we've had people pay for school dinners and trips! Mrs. Bains is delighted and is available to answer any questions that you might have about this new method of payment. We will accept online payments for everything (except Go Go makers and Creative Flair) so please feel free to pay for school dinners online and we will transfer the payment to County Caterers.

I was very excited to be able to buy new iPads this week. Hopefully they will arrive soon and we can get using them in class! Many thanks to the PTFA for funding this equipment. It will make a massive difference to the learning of our children. The next PTFA event is for the grown ups and is the St. Patrick's Day Ceilidh in the church hall on Saturday 21st March. Tickets will go on sale next week. We have already had several requests for tickets in advance and we anticipate high demand, so book those babysitters and make sure you are first in line!

I would like to welcome Mrs. Richards to our team! Mrs. Richards will be in on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursday afternoons, teaching in Class 1. We are delighted to have her join our St. Peter's family.

Finally, I would like to say a massive thank you to Mr. Rogers, Mrs Giacalone and Mrs. Wijeratne, who accompanied our lovely Class 4 on the residential before half term. The children had an amazing time and have talked of nothing else since they returned. These staff members gave up their evenings, early nights and peace and quiet to give our children this once in a lifetime opportunity, which is something that I am really grateful for. We are so lucky to have such dedicated staff at St. Peter's!

That's all from me, folks! Have a great weekend with your families!

Miss McNamara.



Fair trade café and crafty morning

Sunday 1st March

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Come and sample some fair trade goodies, find some gifts and get the children creating and having fun.



Cakes, raffle, refreshments, stalls. Come and join us!

Prayer for the weekend

Dear God,

When my home is filled with rush and bustle, lift the inner me to an island of calm. When my home is filled with noise and shrieking, lift the inner me to an island of calm. When my home is filled with fighting and squabbling, lift the inner me to an island of calm. Then, from my inner calm, give me the courage to take a little of heaven's quiet grace back into my muddled old world.

Amen.

Stars of the Week!



Noah

- for working really hard in maths.

Weronika

- for painting a detailed picture of a fish.



Guillherme

For fabulous singing in church and terrific concentration in class.

Freya who always does her best and is a very helpful member of the class.



Melissa
- for her good attitude towards work and improvements in Literacy and Maths.



Class 1 and 2

Class 1 and 2 have had a very exciting week, they have been to the Art Gallery for a treasure hunt and for the launch party. The children thoroughly enjoyed both trips. In maths this week we have been learning to count backwards in 10's. In Literacy the children have been writing information about different sea creatures for our new topic 'Under the Sea'.

Class 3

This week in Class 3 we started our topic for this half term which is the Romans, focusing particularly on their impact on Britain. The children have explored the invasion in 43AD through drama, and used this to plan and write a newspaper article. In Numeracy, they have been using mental methods for addition and subtraction, and learned about properties of a 3D shape. In Science, we have started learning about forces. We have enjoyed our visits to the Art Gallery, and some of our children read really well during the presentation of the project - well done!



Class 4

Having survived the week at Marle Hall, which incidentally went very well, Class 4 have this week been doing some Literacy based on the story The Ghost of Thomas Kempe and in Maths we have been working on long multiplication. We also spent an afternoon at the Art Gallery doing the "treasure hunt" and we have been thinking about light sources as the start of our Heat and Light topic.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 4th March – Netball tournament

Thursday 5th March – World book day (dress up as your favourite book character and donate a new book to school)

Tuesday 10th March – Class 3 visit to Chedworth Roman Villa

Wednesday 11th March – Resource Committee meeting at 7pm

Friday 13th March – Parents' Council meeting – 9am – 10.30am

Monday 16th March – Parents' Evening – 4pm – 7pm

Tuesday 17th March – Parents' Evening – 4pm – 7pm

Wednesday 18th March – PTFA Meeting – 7.30pm – 9pm

Thursday 19th March – NO SWIMMING

Saturday 21st March – St. Patrick's Day PTFA Ceilidh

Tuesday 24th March – Class 2 trip to the Sealife Centre

Wednesday 15th March – Full Governor's Meeting – 7pm – 9pm

Thursday 26th March – Key Stage 2 PTFA Disco – 6pm – 8pm

Friday 27th INSET DAY – NO SCHOOL

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Monday 13th April – Return to school

Gold Award Winners!

Class 3 with 93% of children achieving a gold award this week! WELL DONE!

HOUSE POINT WINNERS:

St. Francis with 104 points!