



St. Peter's
Catholic Primary School

Term 4, Week 3
Friday 13th March 2015

Newsletter

Roman Invasion!

We have had a very busy week at St. Peter's School this week. We have been cleaning and organising our books, art supplies, science equipment and ICT suite. Again, we have had a lot of parental support in improving our facilities so a massive thank you to everyone who has helped.

We have moved all of the Accelerated Reader books into the ICT suite so that all of the books can be shared by everyone. We have also been able to identify the gaps in our library and with further generous support from our PTFA, we can fill these gaps with new books for our children. We have created a reference section in the old library room so that teachers can store and use our resources effectively. The plan is to turn this room into a dedicated Phonics Suite for daily use in Key Stage 1 and further up the school. I can't wait to share pictures of it with you when it is finally finished!

We hope that these investments in reading will start to pay off soon. We want to embed a love of reading within our children and also empower them with the understanding of how they are progressing. Furthermore, I firmly believe that improving reading across the school will help our children to develop as keen and confident writers by feeding their imagination and arming them with new knowledge.

In other news, Class 3 had a great day out on Tuesday when they visited Chedworth Roman Villa. The sun shone and Mrs Quayle reported that the day had been a super success and as ever, our children behaved themselves impeccably. Thank you to Mrs. Quayle for organising such a great learning opportunity for our children.

Finally, I have shown many excellent teachers around the school this week in advance of them applying for a full time teaching position at our school. I am delighted with the quality of the applicants and look forward to appointing an excellent teacher to join our team from September. I will keep you updated!

Have a great weekend!

Miss McNamara.



Website updates

We are getting to grips with the new website. Please click on 'news and events' for updates from across the school, 'letters' to see anything that is sent home during the week and click on individual class pages to find out what's been happening during the week.

Prayer for the weekend

Lord God, may we be grateful for our lot, and compassionate toward all those who are suffering every kind of distress at this difficult time. May we hold back nothing, and hasten to be the ministers of prayer and mercy, like the disciples of Him who went about doing good in times of need.

Stars of the Week!

Aine for being consistently hard working.



Teagan

For being helpful and kind and trying hard with her work, especially her phonics and maths



Miranda - who has produced some lovely writing and always works hard.



Sandrine - for her positive attitude to school work and the high standards achieved, and for general helpfulness round the school



Class 1

This week class 1 have completed a mermaid display for everyone to enjoy. The children have written labels and captions to go with it. In Mathematics we have been concentrating on making numbers in different ways. We have been learning about coral reefs, we have drawn pictures of coral, focusing on shading. We would like to thank Nicolas' and Elwin's mum for loaning us their very beautiful pieces.



Class 2

Class 2 have been busy learning about shapes and time and are starting to learn their 2x, 5x and 10x tables. They have finished their E-safety posters so will be very safe users on the computers.



Class 3

This week, Class 3 went on an amazing trip to Chedworth Roman Villa as part of our Romans topic. The children dressed up as slaves and made Roman medicine, toured the villa site and handled Roman artefacts. They were fascinated to find fingerprints of a Roman child in a piece of brick. It was interesting to think about what the villa was like in Roman times. For Numeracy, the children have been learning about Roman numerals and telling the time. In R.E., they learned about the Jewish festival of Passover.

Class 4

This week Class 4 have been doing a sort of mock SATs week with everyone involved in completing last year's SATs tests to give a rough guide as to their progress this year. We have also looked at a shadows investigation in Science and the temptation of Jesus in R.E.



DON'T FORGET!

Open Mornings are this Monday and Tuesday, 8.30 – 8.45 am. Access your child's classroom from the playground gates please!

Dates for your diary

Monday 16th March – Open morning – 8.30am – 8.45am & Parents' Evening – 4pm – 7pm

Tuesday 17th March – Open morning – 8.30am – 8.45am & 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 1 and 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 36% of children achieving a gold award this week! WELL DONE!

HOUSE POINT WINNERS:

St. Teresa's with 79 points!