



St. Peter's

Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Dear St. Peter's families,

Our week started on a very sad note this week. It is with regret that I must inform you that Mr. Smith; the husband of our caretaker Mrs. Smith, lost his battle against illness on Monday morning. Of course, we send our deepest sympathies to our lovely Mrs. Smith and her family. May he rest in peace. Mrs. Smith will obviously need a lot of support over the coming days, weeks and months and I ask that we, as her St. Peter's family, do all that we can to give her this support.

Further on this week, one of our Year 2 children was taken ill on the playground before school. I would like to thank those parents who were on hand and attended to the child, we hear she is making a full recovery. We were so lucky to have so many medics on hand to keep things calm and safe.

Last Friday, Mrs. Frost and Mrs. Quayle arranged a thoroughly delightful day at St. Augustine's primary school so that our children could compare our urban school with their rural setting. I was lucky enough to be able to go too (in my pink wellies!) and really enjoyed spending such quality time with our wonderful children. One of their favourite parts was the trip to the play park at Abbey Fields. Giving our children a chance to 'run free' in outdoor green space was such a lovely experience for us all.

Next Friday, we will be holding Harvest mass in church and will be collecting harvest goods for the Leamington and Warwick food bank and the Salvation Army. If it is possible for you to make a contribution to help feed other families of our community who are struggling to fend for their children and themselves, we will be collecting the following items:

- Breakfast cereals
- Coffee and Fruit juice
- Sugar
- Biscuits
- Tinned puddings.

Please do not send pasta, baked beans, soup or tea because they are overflowing with those items and cannot store them. I would hate for any donation to go to waste.

This is the first newsletter that I've written tinged with sadness. I usually love writing about our wonderful school and the great things that are happening in it and after the last few weeks, it is more important than ever to thank God for all of these blessings. Our Leamington community has been rocked in recent weeks, particularly at St. Anthony's school who are dealing with such sadness after a tragic accident in Coventry. Please take an extra moment with your children this weekend to pray for the families directly affected by loss, for the staff, children and parents at St. Anthony's who continue to do the best for their children whilst dealing with such grief and also to thank God for continuing to watch over our family at St. Peter's, protecting us from harm and giving light in times of darkness. We are truly blessed at St. Peter's and taking a moment to remember this will do us all good.

Have a restful weekend with your families,

Miss McNamara.

Prayer for the Weekend

God of all blessings, source of all life, giver of all grace:

We thank you for the gift of life:
for the breath that sustains life, for the food of this earth that nurtures life, for the love of family and friends without which there would be no life.

We thank you for the mystery of creation:
for the beauty that the eye can see, for the joy that the ear may hear, for the unknown that we cannot behold filling the universe with wonder, for the expanse of space that draws us beyond the definitions of our selves.

We thank you for setting us in communities:
for families who nurture our becoming, for friends who love us by choice, for companions at work, who share our burdens and daily tasks, for strangers, who welcome us into their midst, for people from other lands who call us to grow in understanding, for children who lighten our moments with delight, for the unborn, who offer us hope for the future.

We thank you for this day:
for life and one more day to love, for opportunity and one more day to work for justice and peace, for neighbours and one more person to love and by whom be loved, for your grace and one more experience of your presence, for your promise: to be with us, to be our God, and to give salvation.

For these, and all blessings,
we give you thanks, eternal, loving God,
through Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen.

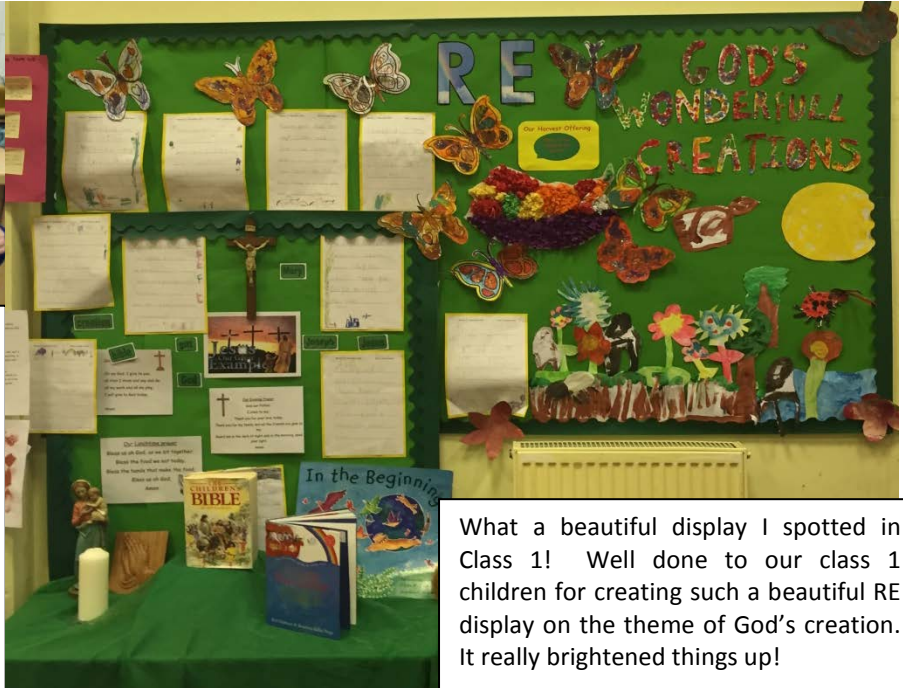
Dates for the diary!

16/10/15	Flu Jabs for Years 1+2 Year 5+6 to University of Warwick for Imagination expo Class 4 Class mass PTFA International night
20/10/2015	Eye Test for Reception children
23/10/15	Harvest mass Harvest donations being received. Break up for Half Term
02/11/15	Year 1 Fire Safety talk
03/11/15	Year 5 Fire Safety talk
04/11/15	PTFA AGM Governor's Mission and strategy
06/11/15	Remembrance mass

This week, we have been learning...



We have been investigating shape in Class 1 this week. The class went on a shape hunt around the classroom and the playground and found lots of different shapes in our environment. We noticed circles and squares everywhere, clocks, lights, bells and the 100 square and we also learnt about the properties of shapes so we now know how many sides a shape has.



What a beautiful display I spotted in Class 1! Well done to our class 1 children for creating such a beautiful RE display on the theme of God's creation. It really brightened things up!



Class 2 had an amazing visit to St Augustine's Catholic Primary School to compare a town school and a countryside school to go with our topic of Our School. The children were beautifully behaved and joined a Year 1 class and spent the morning doing various activities and making sketches of St Augustine's church and saying prayers with their new friends. This week we have been writing thank you letters to send to the children and staff.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Stars of the Week!



Class 1
Felix - For excellent manners at all times!



Class 2
Angus Hackett, for making such a good start to the year and working hard



Class 3
Charlie, for amazing handwriting improvements.



Class 4
Kelsi for working hard in maths and making progress where she has initially struggled.



Class 5
Charlotte: an excellent role model and exemplary effort

This week, Class 3 have learnt all about teeth. They have studied their own teeth and can tell you what molars, incisors and canines do. They've shared lots of gory stories with each other!



Gold Card Winners
Class 2 with 62% well done.
House Point winners
St Bernadette with 117 points



This week class 4 have been working hard on addition and subtraction puzzles and making fantastic progress after a tough lesson mid-week. In English we have been learning about using imagery in our writing in readiness to write a chocolate adventure next week. In RE we acted out God's promise to Jacob before creating some lovely illustrations.



This week in Class 5 we have been discussing the importance of forgiveness and debating issues to do with appearances. In maths we have learning BODMAS and doing assessments while our writing has, as in the picture, seen us prepare and write emotional diaries.