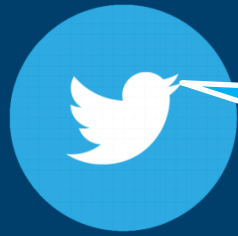




St. Peter's

Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



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Dear St. Peter's families,

This term, the focus for a lot of our Collective Worship is Pope Francis' Year of Mercy. Pope Francis has called this special Jubilee year to invite the whole Church to grow stronger and more effective in its witness to Christ. Throughout his ministry Jesus looked upon the people with compassion and, moved by their plight, responded in either word or action to bring physical or spiritual comfort and healing. This week, the children have done this through supporting causes locally and further afield and I would like to ask that this week, we try and do the same as families in our own homes.

On Wednesday, our children took part in the CAFOD 'Live simply' project. Children researched our local environment and recreated areas of Leamington Spa using junk. Some of the final products were amazing! The children can see their model and other models on Saturday's 'Live Simply' Fayre; 10.30-3pm, at Dormer Place centre. There will be lots of other activities and demonstrations of how we can all do our bit to make the best of the resources we have.

Chris Gabbett at Trinity contacted me this week to let me know that a parent of one of his students has taken annual leave to help refugees in Calais through the organisation 'Care4Calais'. Chris has asked local families to support by donating useful items that can be taken to Calais. Donations can be sent to Trinity for processing by the Pax Christi students. Ideas of suitable donations include:

- Sleeping bags
- Blankets
- Men's waterproof boots with high ankle - size 38 - 45 (particularly size 42/43)
- Trainers - size 38 - 45 (particularly 42/43)
- Men's waterproof and warm jackets - no size specified
- Waterproof trousers
- Men's jeans and jogging bottoms size 28 - 34 (NO WAIST SIZE LARGER THAN 34)
- Socks and underpants - NEW ONLY
- Windup torches and lanterns

If you would prefer to make a donation to a cause closer to home, Marie O'Riley is also asking families to support refugees in Coventry. Carriers of Hope is a charity in Coventry who help mainly women and children who are very poor. These people are refugees and are not entitled to ANY benefits or government assistance. At the moment they need help for mothers going into hospital to have their babies. We would like to send nightwear, dressing gowns, slippers, toiletries, toothbrushes and anything that would be useful for a mother in a maternity unit. If you have any of these items that you would like to gift, please put your donations in the box at the back of the church marked 'Carriers of Hope'.

If you can't support any of these causes, please use this Easter time to discuss the mercy and love God showed us through the sacrifice of His son, who through his death and resurrection, brought us forgiveness for our sins.

Have a lovely weekend, **Miss McNamara.**

Prayer for the weekend

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy;
Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope!
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.
Turn then, O most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy towards us;
and after this our exile, show unto us
the blessed fruits of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.



Easter Mass

Unfortunately, we had to cancel this morning's Easter mass because Fr. John has injured his foot and has been ordered to rest. We will reschedule the Easter mass to next Friday and the Year 5/6 Class mass that was due to take place will be rescheduled for later in the term.

This week, we have been learning...

Literacy this week in Class One has been based around the story of Thumbelina and the children have been describing the characters and the settings of the story. The beautiful sunshine allowed us to set up our Garden Shop in our outdoor role play which will help us work on our literacy and numeracy skills. In numeracy we continue to learn about all types of measure in particular volume and capacity and we started our record of the Geraniums growth which we will use over the next few weeks for numeracy and science lessons. We all had a busy day designing a Leamington building with some amazing models being produced! Good luck everyone.



Dates for your diary

- 19/04 - Class 3 and 4 to Lunt Roman Fort
- Class 5 to the Justice Courts
- 22/04 - Easter mass in church @9.30
- 28/04 - Key Stage 2 Disco @school, 6-7.30pm
- 29/04 - INSET day, school closed
- 02/05 - Bank Holiday, school closed
- 06/05 - Ascension Mass in church @9.30am
- 09/05 - SATs week (KS2)
- 13/05 - Pentecost Mass in church @9.30am
- 18/05 - Resource committee mtg @7pm
- 20/05 - Class 3 Class mass @9.30am
- 23/05 - Class 5 to Alton Castle
- 30/05 - Half Term Begins

What a week we have had in class 2! We have really enjoyed exploring the new hall during PE, having the chance to get out all the equipment. We also had a fantastic 'junk model' day on Wednesday. Finally, we received a letter from the Prime Minister this week, thanking two of our boys for writing to him last term as part of our learning on 'servanthood'....how exciting!



Class 3 have had an exciting week this week, with junk modelling on Wednesday, a new project with Year 5 on Thursday and our tennis on Friday. They showed incredible design, building and teamwork skills as they worked together to build junk models of Leamington. I've also been super impressed with their enthusiasm for running. Keep it up, Year 3!



This week in Class 4 we have been writing a newspaper article about the tragedy that happened in Pompeii in 79AD and understanding how volcanoes are created. We have been investigating mental maths problems and checking our answers with reverse calculations.

This week in English, Class 5 have been learning all about passive voice and hyphenation. Maths has seen us learn about angles and coordinates whilst we have enjoyed continuing our running. We have also made local sites of interest in junk for the up-coming competition. The Year 6 children have done more of their Confirmation preparation work while the Year 5's have started a music project with the Year 3's...



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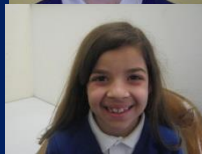
Class 1
Mia - For a growing confidence across all areas.



Class 2
Tami for always displaying a wonderful attitude to her work.



Class 3
Oran, for incredible improvement in writing.



Class 4
Julia - for creating a beautiful model of a garden from recycled items.



Class 5
Larissa - for a positive attitude to learning



So far we've run...
5 MILES!

Gold Card winners
Class 1 with 78%
House point winners
St Bernadette's Red house with 142 points