



Term 1, Week 3

Friday 19th September 2014

St. Peter's Catholic School Newsletter

Tidy up Time!

We've had another busy week at St. Peter's School, starting with a bit of a clear out! On Monday, the teachers decided to reorganise the staff room and corridor areas to make way for some exciting new resources that we hope to develop as we update our curriculum. A very special thank you to Mrs Phillips for co-ordinating the recycling, and to our hard working and dedicated cleaning team. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. O'Sullivan have worked tirelessly to clean our school over the last few weeks, often 'going the extra mile' to ensure the best environment for our children. So a big thank you to them!

Another thank you goes to Mrs. Cashman and the other fantastic and dedicated parents attended our first PTFA meeting of the year. The team agreed several exciting events that will take place over the next few months to help raise valuable funds for our school. Our main fundraising projects are to improve ICT facilities in school and also to update our learning environment. Watch this space for further developments!

Finally, I would like to say a very big well done to our lovely children. I have visited the classes a lot this week and I am always greeted with big smiles and great welcomes. This has also been acknowledged by the many visitors we have had. Furthermore, I am excited to see how much they are learning and how engaged they are with the activities that our staff provide for them. As ever, the St. Peter's team are working together for the benefit of the children.

Miss McNamara.



Reminders

Parents who have not yet paid the school monies, these are now due. Please mark the envelope clearly with child's name and amount enclosed. See Mrs. Bains for more information.

We are making a concerted effort to keep things running to time at school. Please help us out by making sure your children are ready to line up on the playground when the bell rings at 8.55am. Missing just 5 minutes of school each day adds up to several days of school across a year!

Thank you for your help!

Prayer for the weekend

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits me here;
Watch over me throughout the night,
keep me safe within your sight.

Stars of the Week!



Megan - for working hard to sound out the words she wanted to write and accompanying her sentence with a picture.



Charlie for really working hard to be neat. Betty E for being such a sensible girl and trying hard at all times.



Maisie - For good listening and excellent behaviour



Emily - for a fantastic piece of creative writing!

Class 1

In literacy class 1 have been focusing on the book 'The Owl Babies' by Martin Waddell, they have been helping Bill find his mummy by writing him letters and we are planning a trip to the Pump Room gardens to go and look for her. In mathematics the children have been working hard using the Numicon, putting the pieces in the right order and making teen numbers. They all have been enjoying their PE lessons outside and they have playing a variety of skill based and team games.



Class 2

This week we had a visitor. Isaac's mummy brought Isaac's 8 month old sister in to help us all learn about how a baby has different needs to a child or adult. We learnt about what Elizabeth could do and what she is still learning to do. We asked lots of great questions and enjoyed finding out all about how to care for such a little baby. We are now using our role play corner to practise being super parents.

Class 3

This week, we've been learning how to make a PowerPoint presentation which will include facts and pictures about our Stone Age topic. We have continued to develop different calculation strategies in Maths, and have been writing stories set in the Stone Age. For Science the children tested rock samples to find out if different types of rock wear easily. We have also looked at cave paintings and discussed why they might have been painted.



Class 4

This week we have used two Viking sagas as the basis for our Literacy work. We have also found out why people choose



Denmark as a holiday destination, and learnt about the Viking gods Odin and Thor, by using the internet. Our Maths work has been largely connected to multiplication tables; and doubling and halving.

Dates for your diary

Here are some of the dates for this term. We are working hard to bring you a complete list of dates as soon as possible.

- Friday 3rd October - Mass for the start of year, 9.15am
- Monday 7th October - PTFA Magician
- Monday 7th October - Devizes Collection (was Ragtex)

Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October HALF TERM, SCHOOL CLOSED

Gold Award Winners!

Class 1 with 53% of children achieving a gold award this week!

WELL DONE!