

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

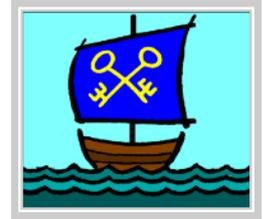
Newsletter

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Please visit the school website www.stpeterscatholicprimary.com for dates for the full academic year, together with other information about the school that you may find useful.

Ice Lolly Sale again today – the last one!

All lollies £1.00 each.

Please do come and support this fundraising event



Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 19th October – Year 3 educational visit to Drusillas Zoo Park

Friday 22nd October – Flu Vaccinations for all children

Monday 25th – Friday 29th October – Half Term

Monday 1st November – Inservice Day

Monday 15th November – Year 2 educational visit to Weald & Downland Living Museum

This week

On Monday, we began to think about Harvest celebrations. This year, the children in Key Stage one will be sharing a liturgy. Key Stage two will work on charitable tasks. There is additional information about this in this letter, but I just wanted to explain a little more about it.

With Covid 19 restrictions taking a different form in school, we feel that we can have parents in to share the key stage one celebration but we have to approach this with caution. We still have to ensure that we do all we can to avoid large gatherings indoors so we feel that one family member per child would be manageable. Visitors will be politely asked to wear masks in the hall. In order for everyone to feel safe and comfortable, each child will be allowed to invite one family member. If you can't attend, please do not worry. There will be other things that you can come to. We will arrange seating as carefully as possible and will ventilate the hall. Unfortunately, we will not be able to allow babies, siblings or push chairs into the hall. This will make the seating arrangements too congested. Parents will not be able to offer their space up to others if they can't attend. It is one space per child.

Please keep an eye out for messages from your class PTA representative. The school needs to continue to do all that it can to raise school funds. The school, being quite small, does not qualify for large amounts of additional funding such as the catch up funding allocated to enable schools to close the progress gaps caused by lockdown. I do not enjoy having to raise this subject with you as I am aware that the pandemic has put a real strain on the finances of so many of our families. If you are able to support us in engaging with the PTA or making a regular parental contribution, then please do. Having said that, please do spread the work that we have uniform as well as other, staple food items available in the entrance hall for anyone who needs them. You might know someone that could benefit from taking some the things available.

The children have been working really hard this week. Reception planned a party which included a trip to Tesco. I have seen brilliant writing in Year one. The children in Year two have been tackling money problems with great enthusiasm. In fact, maths problem solving has been a real focus this week for the whole of key stage two. Years 3 and 4 have impressed us with their skills. Year 5 have been explaining common maths misconceptions in great detail! Year 6 come across as a sweet class but have produced some rather scary writing on the text Coralline! I look forward to reading their finished pieces.

Finally, we have been thinking about our school mission statement. It is a good idea to revisit the message that holds us together each year. We aim to have love at the centre of all that we do. This has been a focus when writing class promises for the year. The children have prayed for you all this week.

Harvest Festival Celebrations

Reception, Years 1 & 2 will be celebrating Harvest in the school hall on Wednesday 6th October at 2.30pm. ONE parent per child will be permitted to come along and share the celebrations with us. Sign-up sheets will be outside the respective classrooms from Monday next week so please do add your name to the list if you would like to come along.

This year we are supporting Brighton & Hove City Mission and donations will be forwarded to them. They have requested the following items –

- Tinned Meat - spam, ham, corned beef, chicken roll, chicken in sauce, curries, hot dogs, beef stew, minced beef, chilli, fry bentos pies, chicken/beef paste
- Tinned Fish - tuna, mackerel, sardines
- Vegetarian – Macaroni Cheese, vegetable chilli, fry bentos pies, curry
- Sauces – Pasta, oriental, curry, pesto
- Tinned Tomatoes/Passata
- Rice, noodles, couscous – including microwave options
- Tinned desserts – custard, evaporated milk, rice pudding
- Tinned Fruit
- Instant Coffee, Hot Chocolate and Tea
- Biscuits, Sweets and Chocolate
- Jams and Honey
- Sugar
- Tomato Ketchup, Brown Sauce, Mayonnaise
- Oil, Herbs and Spices
- Gluten Free products – excluding pasta
- Household Items – washing up liquid, Washing gel/tabs
- Toiletries – Shampoo, Shower Gel, Deodorants



Please do not donate items with alcohol in and make sure items are within date. Please bring your donations in to school w/c Monday 4th October. You are always extremely generous with your harvest donations and, on behalf of Brighton & Hove City Mission we thank you for your amazing support.

Free School Meals (FSM) Eligibility Criteria ***IMPORTANT***

From 1st April 2018 the Government are applying a change to the criteria for award of means tested Free School Meals (FSM).

The new criteria to be eligible for free school meals require that parents and carers are in receipt of one of the following benefits –

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190



Registering for free meals could also raise an extra £1,345 per child which can fund valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching staff or after school activities. This funding is vital to the school, particularly at the moment so we urge you to apply. If you think your child(ren) may be eligible for free school meals, please contact Mrs Matthews in the school office.

Sunrise Breakfast Club

We are delighted that so many children are enjoying coming to our Sunrise Breakfast Club. The Breakfast Club is open every day from 7.45am and costs just £3.50 a session. Sessions can be booked and paid for using the online payment system sQuid. For further information please contact the school office. It is possible to pay for your child's sessions at Breakfast Club using childcare vouchers. We are currently registered with the following organisations – Fair Care Services Ltd, RG Childcare, Computershare Voucher Services, Edenred, Sodexo, KiddiVouchers, Fideliti, Salary Exchange, Gemelli Employee Benefits, Government Tax Free Childcare scheme. If you use another childcare voucher provider please let us know.



Best of Buddies

Best of Buddies runs every afternoon after school from 3.15 – 5.15pm. For more information please contact Mrs Awedan Tel. 07923 318935 or email bofbuddies@gmail.com



Kind regards

K Crees

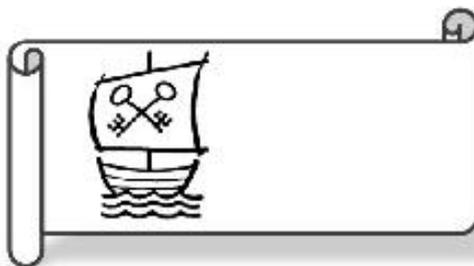
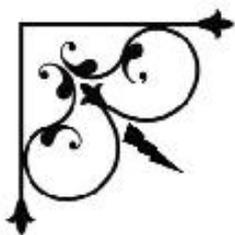
Mrs K Crees

Headteacher

Amazon Wishlist

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/YOTQO1KCEUO2/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1?_encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist

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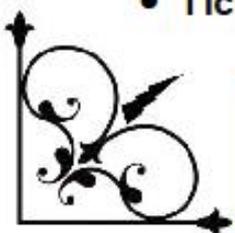


Harry Potter
& The Cursed Child
Family Theatre Voucher

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Harry Potter
Warner Brothers Studio
Family Tour Ticket

- Please help boost school fundraising
- Cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000
- Tickets cost just £1 a week



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and search for: St Peter's Catholic



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