## St Peter and St Paul Catholic Academy

# **Academy Newsletter**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021 Autumn Term Issue: 3



A warm welcome to all of our EYFS children who have joined us full time. It has been lovely to see the children in all year groups helping them in the playground, especially our newly appointed Playground Pals in Year 6. Hopefully extended learning is up and running, now the children have been set up in their new Google Classrooms. Extended learning for EYFS and Key Stage 1 will be available on Google Classroom on a Friday and for Key Stage 2 on a Monday. Information about this can now be found on the class page of our Academy website. We are keeping our fingers crossed for fine weather next Wednesday afternoon, as Harrisons (our Academy caterers) will be holding a food tasting event on the school field by the main gate. Why not pop by and have a taste?

Have a lovely weekend.





## Harvest Collection – We Scare Hunger

We will once again be accepting donations for Bromley Food Bank as part of our Harvest collection. This year we have been allocated **Rice (500g packs preferably) and Cooking Sauce.** Donations should be brought to the Academy on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October** where there will be containers to collect them in near the gates. On this day we encourage the pupils to attend the Academy as a superhero – to scare hunger away – this helps to raise awareness on the issue of food insecurity and helps create a world where no one goes hungry. Parking

Please can we remind parents to be respectful of our neighbors by parking considerately when dropping off and collecting their children.





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Please remember to pay your child's dinner money on time. This can also be paid in advance,  $\pounds 2.25$  a day or  $\pounds 11.25$  a week.

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### Star of the Week

EYFS	Eloise
Year 1	Danny
Year 2	Frankie
Year 3	Zara
Year 4	Adebayo
Year 5	Courtney
Year 6	Jake



Poppy – Year 1 Henry – Year 2 Arabella – Year 3



#### **Individual Photographs**

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September individual photographs will be taken. The Academy will organise sibling photographs for those attending the Academy. Please ensure the pupils are in full Academy uniform on this day – even if it is your PE day. EYFS, Year 3 and Year 5 will do an alternative PE lesson.



When reporting your childs illness please could you state the symptoms, rather than just saying they are unwell as this will help Mrs Baines when looking at attendance.

#### Pupils will be expected to wear their Academy PE kit on their PE days. Please see below:

EYFS: Tuesday and Wednesday

YEAR 1: Monday and Wednesday

YEAR 2: Thursday and Friday

YEAR 3: Tuesday and Wednesday

YEAR 4: Thursday and Friday

YEAR 5: Tuesday and Wednesday



YEAR 6: Monday and Friday (Please note that Year 6 will be swimming for 4 weeks from Wednesday 15th September. This swimming lesson will replace the Friday PE lesson and the Year 6 pupils will be expected to wear their PE for these four Wednesdays).

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#### Medication

Please return your child's medication as soon as possible and ensure you enclose the medication forms that were sent home at the end of last term.

All medication must come to the school office .Please note children must not have it in their possession.





#### Hello Yellow

We all struggle with how we're feeling sometimes and it's normal to have ups and downs. This year might have felt a little more down than up. But it's the little things that have got us through it like the morning walks, singing in the shower and the perfect cup of tea.

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October we will be taking part in #HelloYellow and raising vital funds. So dig out your neon socks, custard scarf and banana hat - let's show young people they're not alone with their mental health! Saying #HelloYellow this World Mental Health Day is a little thing we can do to make a BIG difference to young people's mental health.

Wear yellow and donate  $\pounds 1$  or  $\pounds 2$  to YoungMinds this World Mental Health Day. Because a little yellow goes a long way. #HelloVellow

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#### **Holiday Requests**

Please remember taking children on holiday is unauthorised, therefore any requests for holidays will be submitted to the Governors and the Local Authority and may be subject to a penalty.

However, in order for us to maintain a high level of safeguarding, if you have booked to go away on holiday it is essential that you notify the Academy Office.

Please note that it will take the Academy at least 2 weeks to process your request, when submitting your form.



#### Named Uniform

Please make sure all your children's items of clothing are named. With the current warm weather we are finding many jumpers and cardigans on the field and playground and are unable to return them to their rightful owner.

#### Covid-19 Update

#### What happens if my child has been in contact with someone with COVID-19 symptoms?

If your child has been identified as a close contact, you will be advised that your child takes a PCR test. They will not have to self-isolate, unless they have a positive PCR test result.

#### What should I do if my child has COVID-19 symptoms?

If your child has any of the main COVID-19 symptoms (a high temperature, a new continuous cough, or a loss or change to sense of smell or taste), they should not attend school and should stay at home. You should arrange for them to get a PCR test and tell your child's school the test results. Your child should not attend school while you are waiting for test results, even if they are feeling better. If the test is negative, they should go to school as normal. If they test positive, they should continue to isolate and follow public health advice.

#### Academy Uniform

Academy Uniform will no longer be sold in the Academy, we have a very limited amount of uniform left in stock, if you require anything please contact the office to check with have these items then you order via the Gateway. Once stock has been sold uniform will only be available to order online using this link https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/stpeterandpaulcatholic

#### Please note we will always hold Academy Ties in stock

# **Diary Dates**

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes. Amendments are in **Blue** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

## Autumn Term 2021

Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Individual photographs – full winter uniform
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	The Big Anti-Bullying Assembly (more information to follow)
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	PTA AGM meeting 8:50am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	Hello Yellow Day – Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day *moved from Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2021
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	Mental Health and Wellbeing Week
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2021	We Scare Hunger – Harvest Collection. Dress as a superhero.
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2021	Last Day of Half Term – Stars close at 4:30pm
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021	Pupils return to Academy
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021	Inter-Faith Week (more information to follow)
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Whole Academy Diwali assembly and Year 5 Workshop
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Anti-Bullying Week (more information to follow)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need (more information to follow)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Enterprise Week (more information to follow) TBC
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Christmas Jumper Day and PTA Christmas Fayre TBC
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Last Day of term – Stars close at 4:30pm

Tech camp is here for **October Half-Term** with all **NEW** activities and a *Halloween Costume Contest*! We are running on the weeks commencing on the **18th and 25th October 2021**at **Green Street Primary School, BR6** 6DT, from 9am to 4pm each day.

This October, join us for a spook-tacular tech experience, with lots of exciting activities for ingenious inventors, mad scientists and game developers. Children from ages 5 – 11 can learn how to *build and code their own droid* robots, program pixels, dive into stop motion animation, modify madness with Minecraft and even compose their own songs!

The camps are designed to help children acquire in-demand skills from a young age, which will be needed for their future jobs market. Simply put, it is the perfect place for them to push their coding skills even further and provides an unforgettable learning experience.

For a full list of activities and more information please see flyer attached. Spaces are limited due to social distancing and work on a first come first serve basis.

Covid Safety Protocols in place.

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To check availability or to enrol simply visit: <u>https://nextthing.education/product/orpington-camp/</u>

