

Academy Newsletter

Friday 10th March 2023
Spring Term
Issue: 8



I can't believe that we are well into March, and we experienced snow this week. Thank you to those parents who brought their children to school in the snow on Tuesday. Snow is not an acceptable reason to keep your children off school unless it is safety risk for individuals.

We held two parent events this week. The first was the welcome return of our coffee morning. It was lovely to have an informal chat with parents and carers and listen to your views. Thank you to Isobelle for her chocolate cake and Jenson's mum for the lovely cupcakes.

Year 5 parents attended the first free range assembly of the spring term. We hope those that came enjoyed looking at the work the children have carried out.

Year 3 enjoyed their visit to Our lady of the Crays and the whole school loved participating in a Holi assembly led by Nabhi from the London Institute of Vedic Education.



Industrial Action on Wednesday 15th March 2023 – Partial Closure

You have previously been made aware of further NEU strike action, the next of which will take place on Wednesday 15th March 2023. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teacher pay and school funding, and not because of any issues at our school.

While employees are not required to tell employers whether they intend to take action, some members of the NEU at St Peter and St Paul have informed me that they will strike on 15th March and thus, the school will be partially closed.

The following classes should **NOT** report to school on Wednesday 15th March:

EYFS, Year 2 and Year 4

All other classes will be open as normal, as will Stars and school clubs. Parents of children in the affected classes are therefore asked to make alternative arrangements for 15th March.

If your child's class is not affected by strike action, they are expected at school as normal.

I am sorry that you will have to make alternative arrangements for your child at short notice and that they will experience disruption to their education. I understand that this situation may be frustrating, and ask that all members of our school community continue to treat each other with respect. St Peter and St Paul remains committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our pupils and delivering high quality teaching.

NO STRIKE ACTION WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY 16TH MARCH AND ALL CLASSES WILL BE OPEN AS USUAL

If you would like to discuss your individual situation with me, then please get in touch.





VIRTUES AWARD – VIRTUES TO LIVE BY



"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:9)

EYFS	Cydney and Arthur
Year 1	Ariyah
Year 2	Ruby
Year 3	Tinashe
Year 4	Elsie
Year 5	Esme
Year 6	Finley and Caleb

Attendance

EYFS	94.63
Year 1	98.0
Year 2	97.24
Year 3	96.45
Year 4	96.25
Year 5	94.62
Year 6	93.94
Whole School	95.73

The winning class this week was **Year 1** gaining **two** stars in the space race. **Year 2** won **one** star, as they achieved over 97%.

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Astia – EYFS
Sebastian – EYFS
Areya – Year 4
Nathan – Year 4
Freya – Year 5

Nursery Star of the Week



Leonardo



Red Nose Day – Friday 17th March 2023

The House Captains have decided that on Friday 17th March we will be holding a crazy hair day and own clothes in support of Red Nose Day. Donations will be accepted on School Gateway.

**RED
NOSE
DAY**



Lent Appeal

This year, during Lent, are supporting the Catholic Children's Society's appeal - Building Bridges. It is inspired by Pope Francis' call to 'build bridges, not walls' and find ways to connect and help others in their time of need.

During Lent, we ask for any small change to be put in the box your child came home with, this can be from pennies to pounds. Every single penny that we raise will go into the Catholic Children's Society's Southwark Crisis Fund to help local children across the Archdiocese who are facing a crisis in their lives. **Please keep adding to these over Lent, we will collect the boxes in after the Easter break.**



Changes to School Meals

Our current contract with Harrison will be concluding on the 31st March 2023. Our new catering contract will start with Nourish after the Easter break. Our catering team will remain the same and the children will still have three food options per day (Red, Yellow and Green). The school meal price will also be increasing. This is a normal measure in line with the cost of living increases.

School meals will be £2.50 per meal.

EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 will still be entitled to a universal FREE school meal. The news has reported that this will be extended to all primary school children next year and I will update you when I have further news on this.

If your child is in Key Stage 2 and you think they are entitled to free school meals, please contact the Academy Office for further information or alternatively complete the link below.

<https://www.bromley.gov.uk/FreeSchoolMealsApplicationForm>

Please note if you are currently in receipt of free school meals, the costing will not apply to you.

New menus will become available in due time.



Easter Eggshibition

This year's eggshibition will be themed 'Eggstinction' in recognition of our responsibility to care for the environment and therefore the habitats of the animals of the world. We would like you to represent animals that have become extinct or that are risk of becoming extinct using real blown eggs or pretend ones.

**Entry Deadline:
Tuesday 28th March**



ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Michelle Reader

1975 - present



**CAN YOU WORK IN THE STYLE OF THEM TO
PRODUCE YOUR OWN WORK OF ART?**

What can you find out about this artist?

Hand in your creations and facts to Mrs Lee by
Monday 27th March for a chance to win an
amazing arts and craft prize!

Look out for new artists and prizes
coming EVERY month!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS SO FAR...

November - Anushka Yr 3

December - Arihant Yr 4

January - Jane Yr 1

February - Jenson Yr 1

March -

April -

May -

June -

July -

Will your name be
joining them this
year ?





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EASTER EVENT

FRIDAY 24TH MARCH

EASTER EGG HUNT, A REFRESHMENTS STAND,
EASTER EGG RAFFLE AND A EASTER BONNET
PARADE.

ST PETER AND ST PAUL CATHOLIC
PRIMARY ACADEMY

STARS WRAPAROUND CARE

Competitive
Prices!

**MORNING
SESSIONS**

collections at:
7:30am, 7:45am and 8:00am
Breakfast offered in 7:30am
and 7:45am sessions.

**EVENING
SESSIONS**

Twilight sessions available until
4:30pm - includes a snack.
Evening sessions available until
5:30pm - includes a light tea

BOOK IN ON SCHOOL GATEWAY

Board Games

Lego and
Construction

Movie
Night

Just
Dance

Arts
and
Crafts

- Dodgeball
- Golf
(Weather
Depending)

- Table Tennis
- Badminton
- Curling

Diary Dates

Amendments are in **Blue** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes.

Spring Term 2023

Monday 13 th March 2023	Circus Science – Whole School Performance (Science Week)
Tuesday 14 th March 2023	Year 4 Free Range Assembly (parents/carers welcome)
Tuesday 14 th March 2023	Year 3 – Educational Visit to the British Museum
Thursday 16 th March 2023	Year 2 Free Range Assembly (parents/carers welcome)
Friday 17 th March 2023	Crazy Hair and Own Clothes Day – Red Nose Day
Tuesday 21 st March 2023	Year 3 Free Range Assembly (parents/carers welcome)
Tuesday 21 st March 2023	Year 2 Parents SAT's Meeting at 3pm (Year 2 classroom)
Wednesday 22 nd March 2023	Year 6 Free Range Assembly (parents/carers welcome)
Thursday 23 rd March 2023	Year 6 Parents SAT's Meeting at 3pm (Year 6 classroom)
Friday 24 th March 2023	PTA Easter Event – After School
Tuesday 28 th March 2023	Year 1 Free Range Assembly (parents/carers welcome)
Tuesday 28 th March 2023	Eggshibition to be in for judging
Wednesday 29 th March 2023	Year 3 and 4 Easter Passion TBC
Thursday 30 th March 2023	KS1 Bunny Run (more information to follow)
Friday 31 st March 2023	Easter Mass TBC
Friday 31st March 2023	Last Day of Term – finish at 2pm – NO STARS

Important date reminder!

BANK HOLIDAY Monday 8th May 2023 – King's Coronation

This falls within the year 6 SATs week and therefore the first set of set of tests will be on Tuesday 9th May 2023.

Please ensure your child is in school.