



St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy

Newsletter No. 19
Friday 24th February 2017



Waste time with your children so they realise that love is always free.
Pope Francis

Weekly Events

Monday 27/02/17

Tuesday 28/02/17

Extra Tuition week 1

Year 6 – PGL Third payment £70.00

Wednesday 01/03/17

Liturgy – Ash Wednesday – Distribution of Ashes, All parents welcome

Year 3 – Swimming lessons

Extra Tuition week 1

Thursday 02/03/17

Assembly – Travelling Books, All parents welcome

World Book Day – Come to school dressed as your favourite book character

(Parade will take place following the class assembly – all parents welcome)

Important Information

We are in the top 1% of primary schools in England for achievement in writing at Key Stage 2. Nick Gibb MP Minister of State for School Standards has sent the Academy a letter this week congratulating us on our childrens achievement in writing. His letter is enclosed with this newsletter.



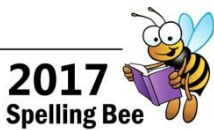
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Spelling Bee



Mr. Lindsay would like to thank all who took part in this year's Spelling Bee. It was a tremendous success, and the event was enjoyed by all.

Dinner Money

This term (Spring 2) is a 6 week term which will take us up to 31st March. Academy Dinners are £2.20 per day, £11.00 per week and for the term £66.00. Payment is accepted by ParentMail, Cheques made out to "St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy" and/or Cash in the drop box in the foyer (no change is given). Please can we remind parents that payment for Academy dinners should be made prior to the children receiving lunch.

Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers

Sainsbury's have kicked off this year's Active Kids programme to encourage children to eat well and exercise more. If you are shopping at Sainsburys, please do collect the vouchers and pop them in our collection box situated outside our office window.



Academy Disco 2nd March

The Academy Disco will start at 3.30pm and Finish at 5.15pm. Tickets are £4 and siblings £3 include Hot Dogs or Pizza, a Drink and Sweets. As you can imagine, catering for such a popular event is essential, to enable the PTA to know how many children are attending and to ensure they provide enough food please return your slip and money as soon as possible.

Our Lady of the Crays – St Patrick's Day celebrations

Our Lady of the Crays will be hosting St Patrick's Day celebrations on Friday 17th March from 7-11pm in the church hall. A live band called "Comfort Shuntz" will be entertaining us with lots of Irish songs. Participants should bring their own beverages and nibbles. Tickets are £5 per person or £15 per family of four; these will be on sale after each Mass from this weekend.

Spring Bulb Competition

The judging for the Spring Blub Competition will be happening soon so please check your bulb is alright. Give it water to drink, move it into the daylight (if you haven't already done so). If it flowers take photograph as that can be judged too.



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Dates and Events 2017

The following dates can be subject to alteration due to unforeseen circumstances.

Green items are new and red items are alterations.

Mass

Wednesday 01st March – Ash Wednesday – Distribution of Ashes

Friday 31st March – all parents/carers welcome

Church Visits

Thursday 16th March – Year 2

Thursday 27th April – Year 1

Thursday 22nd June – Early Years

Other Important Dates

Thursday 09th March - World Book Day

Wednesday 29th March Easter Passion 9.30am - All parents welcome

Tuesday 21st March - Year 3 Greek Day

Liturgy and Assembly Spring Term

Liturgy – All parents welcome

08th March – Year 2 followed by maths masterclass

22nd March – Year 1 followed by maths masterclass

Assembly – All parents welcome

16th March – Year 4

23rd March - Year 6

30th March - Year 3

First Holy Communion Dates

Saturday 10th June – Our Lady of the Crays

Sunday 11th June – Our Lady of the Crays

Sunday 18th June – St Mary's



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Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP

Minister of State for School Standards

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Dear Mrs Seymour,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils for the very high standard that pupils in your school have achieved in writing in the 2016 key stage 2 assessments.

Your school's results, as published on 15 December, show that 100 per cent of your pupils reached or exceeded the expected standard in writing at the end of key stage 2. This means that your school is in the top 1% of primary schools in England for achievement in writing.

We want to ensure that every child has the necessary fluency in writing to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this to all your pupils.

Thank you for your hard work and professionalism in producing such high standards and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Gibb MP