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

# Weekly Events

Clubs start from Monday 24th April

Tuesday 25/04/17 Extra tuition Week 1

Wednesday 26/04/17

9.05am Year 1 Liturgy – all parents welcome Year 3 - Swimming Extra Tuition Week 1

Thursday 27/04/17 Year 1 – Church Visit

### Friday 28/04/17

PTA Tuck Shop



#### Summer Fayre

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 1.30pm the first meeting for this year's Academy Summer Fare will be held. It will be held in the Academy's dining area. This is open to all parents. If you are unable to attend this meeting but would like to be involved and can volunteer your services in any way please do email on <a href="https://www.ptackare.com">pta@stpeterandstpauls.bromley.sch.uk</a>. Any assistance, such as help on the day, raffle prizes, donations, ideas etc., would be gratefully received.

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#### Letter from Councillor Peter Fortune and the Education Commission

The Academy has received a letter from Councillor Peter Fortune as the Year 6 pupils have attained 100% results in writing, with 31% of pupils attaining a higher standard. I have attached a letter for your perusal, and would like to express how proud of our Year 6 children we are.

The Education Commission has written to the Academy to congratulate us on our Brilliant' results.

#### Attendance

At St Peter and St Paul we aim to get 97% or over each week. The whole Academy attendance this week was **96.3**%. Year 3 has the best attendance at 98.4% gaining 2 stars on the space race. The other classes were as follows:-

Year 3 98.4% = Two stars on the space race Year 1 97.8% = One Star on the space race Early Years 97.5% = One Star on the space race Year 2 97.2% Year 4 95.3% Year 5 94.8% Year 6 93.2%

Don't forget the class with the best attendance for the whole year gets a surprise.

#### Piano and Violin lessons

If you wish for your child to learn to play a musical instrument, there are piano and violin lessons on offer through Bromley Youth Music Services. Forms for lessons can be collected from the office or from Dr Roles.







#### Dropbox

A Polite reminder that all slips and money should always be placed into an envelope with clear instructions.

#### Treasurer of the PTA

The PTA urgently requires a Treasurer, you would not have to attend the PTA events to fulfil this role. If you are able to volunteer and would like more information please contact either the above PTA email address or the Academy office.

#### School Dinner

If parents believe that their children may qualify for entitlement to Free School Meals, please contact the Local Authority for more details. (www.bromley.gov.uk) this allowance is a statutory right and it is important that you use it if you qualify. We will assist you with an application if required. You should also be aware that securing your free entitlement increases the funds available to your school.



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#### Academy Clubs

The Academy is very excited this summer term to offer some new and different free lunchtime clubs. We will need completed permission slips for the children to attend. They are welcome to attend more than one club and if that club is oversubscribed then names will be picked out of a hat. Our other extra curriculum clubs will also be running as usual. If your child would like to participate in any of the clubs listed below, please sign a permission slip that will be coming home with the children today, these are also available from the Academy Office. There is a fee for clubs marked with an \*

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM	*Arts and	Japanese	Choir 8.15am –	*Baton	*Gymnastics
	Crafts	Club	8.45am	Twirling	8.00am –
	8am to	8am to		8am – 8.45am	8.45am
	8.45am(12	8.45am	Homework club		
	Spaces)		8.30am – 8.55am		
Lunchtime	Netball KS2	Cricket	Kazoo		Choir
	12.15pm –	12.15pm -	KS2 12.20pm -12.40pm		12.30pm –
	1.00pm	1.00pm	KS1 12.40pm -1.00pm		1.00pm
			Hockey 12.15-		
			1.00pm		
PM		*KS1	*KS1 Multi Sports	*Popstars	*National
		Football:	3.30pm – 4.30pm	3.30pm –	Twirling
		3.30pm –		4.30pm	Squad
		4.30pm			3.30pm to
					4.30pm
		*KS2	*KS2 Multi Sports		*Athletics:
		Football:	3.15pm - 4.15pm		3.30pm –
		3.30pm –			4.30pm
		4.30pm			

#### Summer Term - Clubs will run for 10 weeks

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017 to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017 (5 weeks) No Clubs (1 week 29<sup>th</sup> May to 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017) Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017 (5 weeks)



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#### Football, Scooters and Bikes

The Academy appreciates that the pathways and playgrounds are a brilliant surface for scootering and cycling on but it is also a hazard for pedestrians using the paths. Please ensure your child does not ride scooters and bikes within the Academy grounds. Also, football is not to be played in the playground before the start of school.

#### Bows, Buns and Bunches

As beautiful and glamorous as some of the Bows and Buns have been in the Academy recently, please note that a **small** green/yellow/white bow only is allowed as part of the uniform and all hair is to be tied up neatly.

#### Sainsbury's 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 Sainbury's, please collect the vouchers and pop them in our collection box situated outside our office window.



#### Summer Reading Challenge 2017

Last year's Summer Reading Challenge in Bromley had 5981 children taking part. The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children aged 4—11 of all reading abilities to read 6 books during the long summer holidays and is a great example of how libraries and schools can work together to prevent the 'Summer Reading Dip' and encourage children to read for pleasure. Children can read whatever they like— story books, factual books, joke books, picture books—and receive special rewards every time they finish a book. There's a medal and certificate for everyone who completes the challenge. Library staff and young volunteers listen and talk to each child about the books they have read and encourage them to extend their reading choices.

The theme this year is Animal Agents and the challenge follows the antics of a band of animal detectives solving a library mystery. Children can join the challenge for free at any Bromley library from 15th July.



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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.

#### <u>Mass</u>

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 11:00am – St Peter and St Paul Feast Day – all parents/carers welcome Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Crowning of Our Lady – all parents/carers welcome

#### <u>Church Visits</u> Thursday 27th April – Year 1 Thursday 22nd June – Early Years

<u>Other Important Dates</u> Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATS Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Cooking Seminar for Parents (Healthy Schools) Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Year 3 – London Transport Museum

#### Liturgy and Assembly Summer Term

<u>Liturgy</u> Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Year 1 - all parents/carers welcome Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Year 3 - all parents/carers welcome

#### Assembly

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Year 4 - all parents/carers welcome Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Year 5 - all parents/carers welcome Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Year 1- all parents/carers welcome

#### First Holy Communion Dates

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Our Lady of the Crays Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Our Lady of the Crays Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June – St Mary's Chislehurst

<u>PTA events</u> Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Tuck Shop Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Tuck Shop Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May – Own Clothes day - Donations for Summer Fayre



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Maths Challenge

Sam has a pile of 81 books, there are 3 times as many books on top as below the book that he needs. How many books are on top?



What did the Italian astronomer Galilei use to see mountains and craters on the moon in 1609?



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Councillor Peter Fortune Portfolio Holder Education and Children's Services LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

Mrs. Joanna Seymour, Head Teacher, St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy, St Paul's Wood Hill, St Paul's Cray BR5 2SR

13<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Dear Mrs. Seymour,

I was delighted to hear about the outstanding attainment in writing achieved by Year 6 pupils at St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy at the end of KS2 in 2016.

Your school's results show that 100% of the Year 6 pupils attained the expected standard in writing, with 31% of the pupils attaining a higher standard. This places St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy in a small group of school nationally with such high outcomes for pupils in writing.

I would like to send my heartiest congratulations to you, your staff and your pupils for this achievement.

The pupils who left the school at the end of the summer term in 2016 are well placed to make a successful start to their secondary education as a result of the hard work and professionalism of all those involved

Yours sincerely

**Councillor Peter Fortune** 

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Mrs Joanna Seymour Headteacher St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy St Paul's Wood Hill Orpington BR5 2SR

Dear Joanna

#### **Brilliant Results**

I wanted to write to you to warmly congratulate you and your school on the wonderful results you obtained last academic year. I thought just before we enter again this year's SATs time, you might like to hear how very proud we are of the wonderful job you and all your staff and pupils did last year.

Your school had 100% of the pupils reaching the expected standard in writing. Being able to write well is both a pleasure and a skill for life. The way the assessment system is moving suggests that children who can write well will be very successful in their future studies. You have laid the wonderful grounding for the children, but of course we know that writing is so much more. The French philosopher Voltaire wrote that "Writing is the painting of the voice". Your wonderful teachers and staff must have helped the pupils to paint beautiful images with their words. I would love to have some copies of the great writing from your school and perhaps in the future some of your pupils will join the ranks of England's great writers!

On behalf of the Archbishop, the trustees and all the staff at the Education Commission, can I express my immense gratitude to all that you do. The pupils are truly blessed to be able to attend St Peter and St Paul and I am sure their parents appreciate all that you do.

I have no doubt that your successes will continue and that you will share to support other schools as you journey forward.

With my very best wishes,

Dr Anne Bamford Director of Education

Cc: Chair of Governors

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