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

Weekly Events

Monday 1st May

May Day Bank Holiday School Closed

Tuesday 02/05/17

Extra tuition Week 2 Year 5 – Trip to The Globe Theatre 11.00am Crowning of our Lady - All parents welcome

Wednesday 03/05/17

Year 3 - Swimming Extra Tuition Week 2

Thursday 04/05/17

9.05am Year 4 - Assembly - All parents welcome





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Crowning of our Lady Tuesday 2nd May

On Tuesday 2nd May at 11.00am the Crowning of Our Lady will take place. Please bring a flower or a bunch of flowers for this event, all family and friends are welcome.

Attendance

At St Peter and St Paul we aim to get 97% or over each week. The whole Academy attendance this week was **96.1**%. Year 3 has the best attendance at 98.7% gaining 2 stars on the space race. The other classes were as follows:-

Year 3 98.7% = Two stars on the space race

Year 4 96.9%

Year 5 95.9%

Year 6 95.8%

Year 1 95.7%

Early Years 95.3%

Year 2 94.5%

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

Polling Day 8th June

The Academy will be closed on Thursday 8th June due to Election Day.

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 PTA email address pta@stpeterandstpauls.bromley.sch.uk 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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Orpington Foodbank Centre

Cotmandene Crescent Foodbank is relocating at the end of this week. As Monday is a Bank Holiday, their first session will be on Wednesday 3rd May at the new (temporary) address:

St Barnabas Church, Rushet Road, St Paul's Cray, Orpington, BR5 2PU.

The phone number will also be changing to 01689 823568. The Centre's opening hours are Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10am-2pm.

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—to 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.

Mass

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

Church Visits

Thursday 22nd June - Early Years

Other Important Dates

Tuesday 2nd May – Year 5 Trip to The Globe Theatre

Monday 8th May - Thursday 11th May - Year 6 SATS

Monday 8th May - Cooking Seminar for Parents (Healthy Schools)

Friday 12th May – Year 3 – London Transport Museum

Tuesday 8th June - Academy closed due to Polling Day

Liturgy and Assembly Summer Term

Liturgy

Wednesday 17th May – Year 3 - all parents/carers welcome

Assembly

Thursday 4th May – Year 4 - all parents/carers welcome

Thursday 18th May – Year 5 - all parents/carers welcome

Thursday 25th May – Year 1- all parents/carers welcome

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 Chislehurst

PTA events

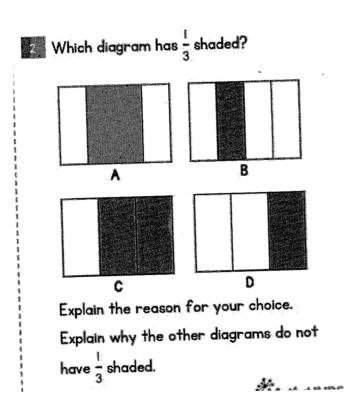
Friday 12th May – Tuck Shop

Friday 19th May - Own Clothes day - Donations for Summer Fayre



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Science Challenge

What is the name of the long appendage that hangs from an elephants face?



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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

13th 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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18th April 2017 Our ref: 017/AB/dg

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

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