



# St Peter and St Paul Catholic Primary Academy

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

## Weekly Events

### **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

Cooking Seminar Healthy Schools – 3.30pm

Year 6 - Start of SATs Week

### **Tuesday 09<sup>th</sup> May**

Extra tuition Week 3

### **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 3 - Swimming

Extra Tuition Week 3

### **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 6 - Last Day for SATs

### **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 3 – Trip to London Transport Museum



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## 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%**. Early Years has the best attendance at 98.3% gaining 2 stars on the space race. The other classes were as follows:-

Early Years	98.3%	= Two stars on the space race
Year 6	97.7%	= One star on the space race
Year 1	96.9%	
Year 4	96.2%	
Year 2	96.0%	
Year 5	95.3%	
Year 3	94.0%	

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

## Chislehurst Society

Prize giving for The Chislehurst Society Environmental Awards will be on **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May** at Chislehurst Methodist Church Hall from **6.00pm**. We have been told that the Academy may have won some prizes so we would love to see as many pupils as possible at the awards.

## Idling of car engines

The Academy has received concerns from our neighbors with regards to car engines idling when dropping off and collecting children. Please can parents not leave cars idling as this is upsetting residents and can be very harmful to the environment.

London Borough of Bromley have implemented an Air Quality Action Plan (AQAP), it has been identified that Bromley's highest cause of pollution is Nitrogen Dioxide due to road traffic. By turning off your engines whilst waiting for the children will greatly impact on the quality of air and this will ensure a better environment for our children, parents and residents.

## Fidget Spinners

It has come to our notice that some children have been playing with fidget spinners at inappropriate times during the Academy day. As a result, we are banning all fidget spinners, unless specifically given by teachers.



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## Lego

Calling for all unwanted pieces of Lego. Do you have Lego that you could kindly donate to the Academy? If you can kindly donate any Lego to the Academy, please could you drop it into the office.



## Polling Day 8<sup>th</sup> June

The Academy will be closed on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:pta@stpeterandstpauls.bromley.sch.uk) or the Academy office.

## School Dinner

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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](http://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.

## **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 Sainsbury'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.

Go  
Wild...  
Read!



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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

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 11:00am – St Peter and St Paul Feast Day – all parents/carers welcome

### Church Visits

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Early Years

### Other Important Dates

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

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Year 6 PGL Meeting 3.30pm**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Academy closed due to Polling Day**

### Liturgy and Assembly Summer Term

#### Liturgy

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

#### Assembly

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

### PTA events

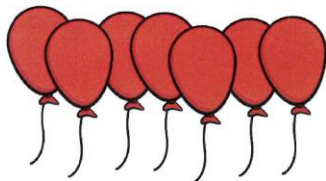
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Tuck Shop

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May – Own Clothes day - Donations for Summer Fayre



## Maths Challenge

Liam has some balloons.



- He has 7 red balloons.
- He has 2 more green balloons than red balloons.
- He has 3 less blue balloons than green balloons.

How many balloons does he have in total?

## Science Challenge

The fear of what animal is known as 'arachnophobia'?





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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,  
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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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18<sup>th</sup> 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

Cc: Chair of Governors

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