



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

PGL School Journey Week

Year 6 will be leaving on Monday to spend the week at PGL, Windmill Hill in Surrey. We hope they have an exciting week and enjoy all the activities. We look forward to hearing all about their adventures when they return on Friday.

Tuesday 13th June

Extra tuition Week 2

Wednesday 14th June

Year 4 – Liturgy – All parents welcome

Year 3 - Swimming

Extra Tuition Week 2

Friday 16th June

PTA – Meeting in dining room- All parents welcome



**Our summer fete is being held on Friday
23rd 3.30pm – 5.30pm**



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Highest Weekly Class Attendance Year 5 – 95.3%

Attendance

At St Peter and St Paul we aim to get 97% or over each week. The whole Academy attendance this week was 93.6%. Well done Year 5 with the best attendance at 95.3%. The other classes were as follows:-

Year 5	95.3%
Year 3	94.3%
Early Years	94%
Year 4	93.9%
Year 1	93.8%
Year 2	93.4%
Year 6	90.6%

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

Safety at the Gates

Please can parents stop younger siblings pushing, pulling or hanging onto the automated gates, otherwise injury may occur. Please wait for the pedestrian gates to open at 3pm and do not enter early if a car enters the Academy as this causes potential safeguarding issues.

Thursday 29th June 2017 - St Peter and St Paul Feast Day Mass

Mass will begin at 11am and will be followed by lunch. You are invited to join your child for lunch after the Mass. Letters are going home with the children next week which will enable you to make a payment of £3.00 for an adult and £2.20 for a sibling that does not attend the Academy. Please ensure you let the Office know by Monday 26th June so that we can inform the kitchen for catering purposes. Unfortunately no additional meal choices can be added to the kitchen order after this date. Our Feast Meal comprises of:

- Roast Turkey
- Roast potatoes
- Mixed vegetable pasty
- Selection of salad
- Chocolate cake with chocolate sauce
- Selection of fruit

Free School Meals

The London Borough of Bromley has released the 2017/2018 application for parents to apply for free school meals. If any parents that are entitled to free school meals could complete this form (even if your child is in KS1 and receives free meals) it will greatly benefit the Academy and hence the children. Please see the Guidance and application forms attached. If any help is required please do not hesitate to contact the Academy Office.

Do you owe money for lunches or Stars?

Please pay all outstanding debts. Failure to pay will result in your child not being able to have a school lunch or attend Stars.

You can get financial help by:

- completing a Free School Meal application
- asking your employer for Childcare vouchers

Please ask at the Academy Office for any assistance.



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Moving on to Secondary Education Letters for Year 5

The moving on to Secondary Education 2018 letters were distributed to all Year 5 students last week. Please ensure these are returned to the Academy no later than Friday 7th July. Failure to return these forms will result in your child not being offered a secondary school place.

Sports Day 11th July

Weather permitting, this year's Sports Day will be taking place on 11th July. KS1 will start at 9:30am and KS2 will begin at 1:30pm. All parents are welcome and refreshments for adults will be available at a small cost courtesy of the PTA. The PTA will also be supplying the pupils with ice poles at the end of the day.

First Holy Communion Mass

On Saturday 10th June and Sunday 11th June some of our children are celebrating their First Holy Communion at Our Lady of the Crays. Two other pupils will be having their First Holy Communion on Sunday 18th June at St Mary's in Chislehurst. If you are able, please share this special day with them.

Sunscreen and Hats

A polite reminder that all pupils will need to have an appropriate sunhat (Academy hats are available from the office at £4.50 each). A bottle of sunscreen can be handed to the class teacher with your child's name on and can be left at school. Children will need to reapply themselves, members of staff are not allowed to apply sunscreen to the children.

School Uniform Price Increase

The increase of Academy uniform prices has now been implemented.

The Academy will no longer be supplying summer dresses. We do have the following sizes still in stock 2x size 3/4 years, 1x 4/5 years, 2x 6/7 years, 2 x 11/12 years, 1 x 12/13 and 1 size 32" dress.

Lost and Found School Uniform

It has come to light that some children are accidentally wearing other children's jumpers or cardigans. Could you please check your child's clothes to ensure they belong to them and return any that have found their way home to the wrong house. If you are missing any uniform please check the lost property box.

Holiday Requests

As you are aware taking children on holiday is unauthorised, therefore any requests for holidays will be submitted to the Governors and the local Authority and may be subject to a penalty. However in order for us to maintain a high level of Safeguarding if you have booked to go away on holiday it is essential that you notify the school.

Teddy Bears' Picnic Thursday 22nd June

Calling all teddy bears'. Please bring your bear to school on Thursday 22nd June for a Teddy Bears' Picnic at lunch time. All of the Academy will be eating lunch on the grass (weather permitting) and enjoying a Teddy Bears' Picnic provided by our wonderful catering team. KS1 children are free and all other children are £2.20.



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Summer Fair news

Summer Fair Poster Competition

Congratulations to the Summer Fair poster competition winners, Daisy North, Freddie and Lenny Harris and Simona Stachova. Your posters will be displayed in shops in the local area. Please promote our event to your friends and family.

PTA Lottery

This year the PTA are holding a lottery with an outstanding cash prize. Over the next 2 weeks the PTA will be in the playground selling lottery tickets (raffle tickets) for £1.00. On the day of the Fair one ticket will be drawn and the winner will receive half of the proceeds from this lottery. As they say 'you've got to be in it to win it'.

PTA Raffle

The raffle is separate from the Lottery and has some fantastic prizes. From Monday, tickets for the raffle are available to buy in the Academy Office for £1.00 a whole strip. Prizes will be advertised from next week.

Summer Fair Help needed

Any volunteers to help on this day, or in the lead up to this event are welcome. Please help support our Academy by attending this brilliant event.

Summer Fair PTA Meeting Friday 16th June 2pm

Please come and join the PTA next Friday to discuss future events and the summer fair. Refreshments will be provided.



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

Wednesday 19th July 11:00am – Leavers Mass – all parents/carers welcome

Church Visits

Thursday 22nd June – Early Years

Other Important Dates

Thursday 22nd June – Year 5 visit to Hall Place

Thursday 6th July – Year 1 visit to Leeds Castle

Friday 7th July – Year 2 visit to Hever Castle

Friday 7th July – Year 5 and 6 Bowling

Tuesday 11th July – Sports Day – all parents/carers welcome

Sunday 16th July – Early Years Graduation 1pm

Monday 17th July – Year 6 Bikeability

Thursday 20th July – Year 6 Graduation 9.30am – all parents/carers welcome

Friday 21st July 11.00am – Year 6 Leavers Play – all parents/carers welcome

Friday 21st July 1.30pm – Year 6 Rounders with parents

Liturgy and Assembly Summer Term

Liturgy

Wednesday 14th June – Year 4

Assembly

Wednesday 28th June – Japanese Club Celebration Assembly

Thursday 06th July – Year 2- all parents/carers welcome

Thursday 13th July – **Early Years** - all parents/carers welcome

Thursday 20th July – Celebration at 2.30pm **Not for parents**

First Holy Communion Dates

Saturday 10th June – Our Lady of the Crays – 2pm

Sunday 11th June – Our Lady of the Crays – 2pm

Sunday 18th June – St Mary's Chislehurst – 9.30am

PTA events

Friday 16th June – PTA meeting

Friday 23rd May – Summer Fayre

Friday 7th July - Tuck Shop

Friday 20th July – Tuck Shop



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**Pupil Benefits
Education, Care and Health Services**

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Payment – Notes for Guidance 2017/18

School meals are a great way to ensure your child is eating a healthy and well-balanced meal during the school day.

School meals meet the Government's rigorous nutritional standards, which have been put in place to make meals healthier and give children what they need to develop, grow and lead a healthy and active lifestyle.

From September 2014 there has been legal duty on state-funded schools in England to offer a free school meal to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils. However in order for your child's school to benefit from the additional Pupil Premium funding it is still necessary for parents in receipt of one or more of the qualifying benefits listed below to complete either an online or paper Free School Meal/Pupil Premium Payment application.

Free School Meal/Pupil Premium entitlement for pupils attending Bromley schools is processed by Pupil Benefits at Bromley Civic Centre, unless the school/academy has elected to administer their own claims. Please check with your child's school.

Frequently Asked Questions

Am I Eligible?

Your child is entitled to Free School Meals if you or your partner (living at the same address) receive one or more of the following:

- > Income Support
- > Income-based Job Seekers Allowance
- > Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- > The Guarantee Credit element of State Pension Credit
- > Support from the National Asylum Support Services (NASS)
- > Child Tax Credit provided you are NOT also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- > Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stopped qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- > Universal Credit – during the initial roll out of the benefit

You can also receive Free School Meals if you are a pupil receiving a qualifying benefit.

Can I still claim Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Payment if I receive Working Tax Credits?

You are only eligible to apply for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Payment if you receive one of the qualifying benefits. Where a parent/carer is entitled to Working Tax Credits during a 4-week period immediately after their employment ends, or after they start to work less than 16/24 hours per week, they are eligible to claim Free School Meals for that 4-week period only. In this circumstance we will be unable to confirm eligibility using the Eligibility Checking service, so it will be your responsibility to provide a copy of your Tax Credit Decision Notice.



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How do I Apply?

Apply online at www.bromley.gov.uk – **Apply for it – Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Payment**

Or

Complete a paper form available from your child's school/academy or from Pupil Benefits at Bromley Council.

Do I need to provide proof of my claim?

When you apply we are able to directly check your entitlement using the Eligibility Checking Service (provided by the Department for Education). You will only be asked to provide paper proof of the benefit you currently receive if your eligibility is not confirmed.

Renewing a claim for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Payment

A new claim is required for each school year. If you have not completed an application by the start of the new school year you may be asked to provide your child(ren) with either dinner money or a packed lunch until we have received an application and eligibility has been confirmed and the claim has been processed.

What happens if and when my circumstances change?

You must tell Pupil Benefits in writing, immediately if your benefits, address or circumstances change. It is illegal for your child to receive Free School Meals if you do not qualify. You will need to repay the cost of the meals taken while you are not entitled to Free School Meals.

How soon will my child receive a Free School Meal?

For all applications received prior to the start of the academic year, we are committed to processing and advising you and the appropriate school/Academy of your child(ren)'s entitlement to Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Payment as quickly as possible so there is no delay in the meals starting. Applications received by us after the start of the academic year will, where possible, be processed within 5 school days.

What happens once my claim has been processed?

We will send you a letter when your application has been processed confirming the period in which your child is eligible for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Payment. Confirmation of eligibility will also be sent to your child(ren)'s school.

Can my claim be back dated?

This policy is at the discretion of the school or Academy that your child(ren) attends.

NB: Please note that your claim will be processed via the Eligibility Checking Service and will commence from the date that this service is accessed. If this date is after the start of the academic year it will be your responsibility to provide paper evidence that your benefits commenced on or before the start of the school year before any backdated Free School Meals/Pupil Premium claim can be considered.

Can I appeal against the Free School Meals/Pupil Premium decision?

Local Authorities do not set the qualifying criteria for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium. Any change to the criteria is a matter for central, not local Government.

Contact: Pupil Benefits 020 8313 4127 / 020 8461 7389

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Pupil Benefits Education, Care and Health Services

Application for Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Payment 2017/18

This form should only be submitted if your child attends a school in the London Borough of Bromley and you are unable to make an application online.

Free school meals are available to pupils in full-time education whose parent/carer receives one of the benefits listed below. Children attending part time nursery provision or independent schools are NOT entitled to Free School Meals.

Please note that Free School Meal applications for pupils attending Harris Academy Bromley, Harris Academy Beckenham or Coopers School should be made direct to the school/academy.

Please tick one <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Current Qualifying Benefits
<input type="checkbox"/>	Income Support
<input type="checkbox"/>	Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance/ Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
<input type="checkbox"/>	Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
<input type="checkbox"/>	Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Support from NASS under Part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999
<input type="checkbox"/>	Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
<input type="checkbox"/>	Universal Credit – during the initial roll out of the benefit

Section 1: Details of the Parent/Carer claiming one of the benefits above.

Your application cannot be processed unless ALL the following details are provided.

Is this your first application?		Surname			
Title (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)		First Name/s			
National Insurance No. or NASS (Asylum Seekers) No.					
Date of Birth		Relationship to child/ren listed below			
Address					
		Date of moving to this address			
Postcode		Telephone No.			
Email Address					

Section 2: Details of children, attending relevant Bromley schools, living with applicant

Full names of children attending relevant Bromley Schools		Date of Birth	Girl/Boy	School to be attended from September 2017	Do you receive Child Benefit for this child?
Surname	First Name				

NB. If you are a foster parent you will not be able to claim for any foster children unless you are in receipt of one or more of the qualifying benefits shown above.



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Section 3: Details of your husband/wife/partner (if he or she lives with you).

Surname		First Name/s	
Title (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)		Date of Birth	
National Insurance No. or NASS (Asylum Seekers) No.			
Relationship to applicant		Relationship to child/ren listed in Section 2	
Any other surname(s) used by the family			

When your application is received your entitlement will be checked using the Department of Education Eligibility Checking Service and you will be advised, in writing, whether or not your claim is successful. Should the application be unsuccessful you will be given the opportunity to provide current documentary evidence to show which benefit you receive.

If your circumstances change, i.e. your benefits cease or you start receiving Working Tax Credit, you MUST tell us immediately, in writing. If you do not tell us and your child/ren continue/s to receive free school meals you will be charged for those meals.

Section 4: Declaration to be signed by the Applicant

I agree that you will use the information I have provided to process my claim for free school meals, and will contact other sources as allowed by the law to verify my entitlement.

I declare that the evidence given on this form is true, and I will tell you immediately in writing if my benefits stop or if I start receiving Working Tax Credit.

Signed

Date

DATA PROTECTION ACT 1998

The London Borough of Bromley will use the information given on this form for the purpose of processing your application for free school meals. We are under a duty to protect the public funds we handle and may use the information you provide to prevent and detect fraud. We may also share this information, for the same purposes, with other organisations which handle public money.

Thank you for filling in this form. Please make sure you have completed all sections. If you need any help please ring us on 020 8313 4127 or 020 8461 7389

Please send this form to:

**Pupil Benefits
Education Care and Health Services,
Civic Centre Stockwell Close Bromley BRI 3UH.**

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