



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

Tuesday 27th June

Extra tuition Week 4

Wednesday 28th June

Year 3 - Swimming

Extra Tuition Week 4

All Class photos to be returned

Japanese Club Celebration Assembly – all parents welcome

Thursday 29th June

St Peter and St Paul Feast Day Mass and lunch



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Highest Weekly Class Attendance

Year 5 and Year 1 – 98.9%

Attendance

At St Peter and St Paul we aim to get 97% or over each week. The whole Academy attendance this week was 96.7% which is slightly better than last week. Well done Year 1 and 5 with the best attendance at 98.9%. The other classes were as follows:-

Year 5	98.9%	= Two stars on the space race
Year 1	98.9%	= Two stars on the space race
Year 6	97.5%	= One star on the space race
Year 3	96.9%	
Year 4	96.5%	
Early Years	95.0%	
Year 2	93.3%	

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

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.

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. If you have not already paid for your lunch with the Academy Office, you will need to bring a packed lunch.

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.

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.

Holy Communion Candidates for Our Lady of the Cray Church

The Holy Communion workbooks that your child completed all through their classes at Our Lady of the Cray Church will be available for your collection on the weekends of 1st and 8th July. These can be collected from the table outside the church hall entrance.



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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

Other Important Dates

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 9.30am – Year 6 Graduation – 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

Assembly Summer Term

Wednesday 28th June – Japanese Club Celebration Assembly – all parents welcome

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

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

PTA events

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.

