

Academy Newsletter



Top 1% Primary Academy

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP, Minister of State for School Standards, has written to advise that St Peter and St Paul is in the top 1% of primary schools in England for attainment in mathematics. He praised the Academy for our very high standard of achievement in the 2017 Key Stage 2 Assessments. Please see the letter attached.



Academy Attendance:

EYFS – 97.2%

Year 1 – 97.7%

Year 2 – 90.6%

Year 3 – 100%

Year 4 – 93.1%

Year 5 – 97.8%

Year 6 – 98.9%

Overall Academy Attendance – 96.5%

Our aim is 97%

Congratulations to Year 3.

Spring Bulb Judging 16th March

The judging for the Spring Bulb Competition will be on the 16th March, so please check your bulb is growing well and bring it in on the day. Please give it water to drink and move it into the daylight (if you haven't already done so). If it flowers take a photograph as that can be judged too.

Missio Boxes

You should have all received your Missio box by now. We hope that the 'Lent Coin Challenge' is going well. Please try to put a coin of any value in each day and return your boxes to the Academy from 29th March.

World Book Day

Due to the snow last week World Book Day has been re-arranged for Monday 12th March.

Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character and can stay dressed up for the whole day.

Everybody is welcome to come and watch the procession at 9:05am.

EARRINGS

Earrings are not part of the Academy uniform. For health and Safety reasons no jewellery is permitted in the Academy. Please ensure that your child removes their earrings before school every morning. Any child that attends with earrings in will be asked to remove them.

Quack Update

Even the ducks enjoyed a snow day away from the Academy last week.



Gas Works commencing Monday 13th March

We have been advised the Gas Mains pipe replacement works will move towards the top of Lessons Hill from Monday.

This could potentially lead to traffic delays at the junction of St Pauls Wood Hill and Leasons Hill.

Please allow extra time for your journey to and from the Academy.



WE Day

WE Day is a children's charity that hosted an event bringing together world-renowned speakers, A-list performers, and tens of thousands of young people to celebrate a year of action that transformed communities and changed lives. The Academy was lucky to be able to attend with some of the pupils from Year 5. It was a fantastic opportunity for them to hear motivational speeches from inspirational children and adults alike. Amongst the long list were Princesses Beatrice and Eugenie, Katie Piper, Alexandra Burke, Musharaf Asghar (Student from Educating Yorkshire with a lifelong stutter) and representatives from the Grenfell Tower Survivors.



The Great EGGSHIBATION my Eggstraspecial Family

The letter for this year's Eggshibiton competition has been sent to parents electronically. All entries are to be in the Assembly Hall by Monday 26th March and the winner will be announced on Thursday 29th March.

Spring Term Dates

15 th March	Assembly Year 3 *
15 th March	Church Visit Year 2
15 th March	Port Lympne Trip Year 5
16 th March	11:15am Reconciliation Year 4, 5 and 6
16 th March	Judging of daffodils
16 th March	PTA Tuck Shop 3:15pm
22 nd March	Assembly EYFS *
22 nd March	Dress as an endangered species day
23 rd March	Easter Mass Year 1 *
27 th March	Bunny Run – More information to follow
28 th March	Easter Passion KS2 *
29 th March	PTA Tuck Shop 3:15pm
29th March Last day of term (Stars will be finishing at 4.30pm)	
16 th April	First day of Summer Term
19 th April	KS2 Disco 3:30pm – 5:15pm
1 st May	11:00am Crowning of Our Lady Year 2 *
3 rd May	Church Visit Year 1 – More information to follow
4 th May	PTA Tuck Shop 3:15pm
24 th May	PTA Movie Night – More information to follow
25 th May	PTA Tuck Shop

* Parents/Carers Welcome

Mrs Rodney and Mr Lindsay's Weekly Challenge

Science Challenge

Choose one science question from the below and write the answer on the sheet.

Can you rearrange the letters in this anagram to make the name of a famous scientist?

**daxlAreen
raGham lelB**

What did this person achieve?

Can you rearrange the letters in this anagram to make the name of a famous scientist?

**shomaT
donEsi**

What did this person achieve?

What is toothpaste used for?



Can you give 5 facts about toothpaste, and name the person who invented the first modern toothpaste in a tube?

Can you create an A-Z of scientists, inventors and their achievements?

A - Antoine Lavoisier
B - Bell
C - Conservationist
D - Durrell

Maths Challenge

When a number is subtracted from 52 the result is divided by 6, the answer is twice the original number, what is the number?

English Challenge

EYFS and Key Stage 1 = Use the word 'but' to make a longer sentence.

Key Stage 2 = Use the word 'measly' in a sentence.



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
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15 February 2018

Dear Mrs Seymour,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on your school's very high standard of achievement in mathematics in the 2017 key stage 2 assessments.

Your school's results, as published on 14 December, show that 100 per cent of your pupils reached or exceeded the expected standard in mathematics at the end of key stage 2. This means that your school is in the top 1% of primary schools in England for attainment in mathematics.

We want to ensure that every child has the necessary fluency in mathematics to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this to all your pupils.

Thank you for your hard work and professionalism in producing such high standards and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP