



Academy Newsletter



Academy Attendance:

EYFS – 89.3%
Year 1 – 97.2%
Year 2 – 90.0%
Year 3 – 98.7%
Year 4 – 91.5%
Year 5 – 95.0%
Year 6 – 95.2%

Overall Academy Attendance – 93.9%

Our aim is 97%

Well Done

Huge congratulations to the children that performed in the KS2 and EYFS productions this week. The children looked and sounded incredible.

The pupils also sang beautifully today at the Winter Celebration which has left everyone feeling very festive and ready to enjoy the holiday season. Well done to all the pupils at St Peter and St Paul!

Many thanks to all the parents and carers who have come to support the children over the last few weeks; may we take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas!

The Story behind the '12 Days of Christmas'

The song was written by Catholics in England as a catechism song to teach their children about the Christian faith. The song's 'gifts' help remember the teachings of the faith. 'True Love' refers to God. 'Me' refers to every Christian.

The other symbols mean the following:

- 1 Partridge in a Pear Tree = Jesus Christ.
- 2 Turtle Doves = The Old and New Testaments.
- 3 French Hens = Faith, Hope and Charity or the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Trinity.
- 4 Calling Birds = The Four Gospels.
- 5 Golden Rings = First Five Books of the Old Testament.
- 6 Geese-A-Laying = The Six Days of Creation.
- 7 Swans-A-Swimming = The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit (I Corinthians 12:8-10).
- 8 Maids-A-Milking = The Eight Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-10).
- 9 Ladies Dancing = The Nine Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23).
- 10 Lords-A-Leaping = The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20).
- 11 Pipers Piping = Eleven Apostles, not Judas.
- 12 Drummers Drumming = The Twelve Points of Doctrine in the Apostle's Creed.

Help at Home Sessions

During the first half of the Spring Term, the Academy would like to invite all parents and carers for a 'Help at Home' session. These sessions will take place after your child's class Liturgy or Assembly. The sessions have been created to help all parents and carers support learning at home. The class teacher, within this session, will provide you with information related to the English and Mathematics curriculum so you can better support your child with their homework.

Spring Term Clubs will run for 9 weeks

Monday 14th January 2019 to Friday 8th February 2019 (4 weeks)

No Clubs (1 week 18th to 22nd February 2019)

Monday 25th February – Friday 29th March 2019 (5 weeks)

Week beginning 11th February 2019 - There will be no clubs due to Parents Evening.

Club letters have all been sent out via email and hard copies are available outside the Academy Office.



Save the Children
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The children have raised £111.20 for 'Save the Children' Christmas Jumper Day.

Thank you for your continued support.



**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes. Amendments are in **Green** and Cancellations are in **Red**.

Spring Term 2019

| Spring Term 2019 | Key Dates, Class Assemblies and Liturgies |
|--------------------------------|--|
| 11 th January 2019 | Mass at 11.00am (Led by Year 4) - Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 15 th January 2019 | Clubs Start |
| 16 th January 2019 | Year 6 Liturgy and Help at Home session – Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 17 th January 2019 | Coffee Morning at 9.15am – Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 24 th January 2019 | Year 5 Assembly and Help at Home session – Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 24 th January 2019 | Phonics Meeting for Year 1 Parents – 3.30pm (more information to follow) |
| 28 th January 2019 | Young Voices Rehearsal and Concert at The O2 |
| 30 th January 2019 | Year 3 Liturgy and Help at Home session – Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 31 st January 2019 | Year 2 Assembly and Help at Home session – Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 6 th February 2019 | EYFS Liturgy and Help at Home session – Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 6 th February 2019 | Year 1 Build a Bear Workshop (more information to follow) |
| 13 th February 2019 | Year 4 Liturgy and Help at Home session – Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 13 th February 2019 | Parents Evening – 3:30pm to 6:00pm (more information to follow) |
| 14 th February 2019 | Year 1 Assembly and Help at Home session – Parents/Carers all welcome |
| 14 th February 2019 | Parents Evening – 4:00pm to 7:00pm (more information to follow) |
| 18 th February 2019 | Half Term Commences (18 th to 22 nd February 2019) |
| 25 th February 2019 | Back to School |

