

ST PETER'S C OF E (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL

HALF TERM NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 30th March 2022

Dear Parents

We have had a lovely half term in school with lots of exciting events.

Holy Week

The children have spent time this week learning about the events of Holy Week and reflecting on the journey Jesus was on. They have taken part in worship in school, including an Easter service with songs and prayers to accompany the re-telling of the Easter story. I hope you have an enjoyable Easter Day celebration on Sunday and some time as a family during the holiday.

Staffing

We say good bye and good luck to Mrs Pollard this week. She will be retiring from school after 27 years at St Peter's. We will all miss her and she leaves staff and children with many memories of her time here. After Easter Mrs Burrows will return to class 3 and share the class with Mrs Brogan. We also say good bye to Miss Hannah this week who works in reception class. She is going onto a new job and training in the future. The reception children will particularly miss her.

Parents' Evening

It was great to see so many of you at parents evening recently. I hope you found the meetings helpful and you enjoyed the time to look through your child's books.

Building Work

We have recently had repairs to our roof which are now complete.

Lent Fundraising

Classes have worked really hard to raise money during Lent by organising their own fundraising events. There have been lots of sales of sweets, buns, cakes and biscuits which have been very popular. We also had many winners of raffles, football shoot outs and guess the names of the teddies. Many thanks for all your support in helping the children to do this. They have really enjoyed it and we have raised £483.34 for two charities; Mencap who support pupils with learning disabilities and DEC (disastrous Emergency Committee) to support the people of Ukraine.

Red Nose Day

Many thanks to everyone who bought a nose and sent in money on non-uniform day. We were delighted that £423.50 was raised for this very important cause.

Road Safety

All classes have taken part in road safety training last week. This is a really important way of keeping safe and we would encourage all parents to remind children how to cross roads safely.

Classes

Nursery

Children have been enjoying the story Handa's Surprise and learning all about the animals in the story. They have been playing vets and looking at which animals make the best pets. This week they will be tasting the different fruits from the story.

Reception

Mrs Smith has been poorly and not in school for two weeks. We wish her well and hope to see her again after Easter. Children have been learning about lifecycles of frogs and other animals that are born in the spring. They have really enjoyed learning lots of new sounds in phonics.

Year One

Children have visited Abbey House Museum to learn all about houses and homes long ago. They have been learning some traditional tales and practised their reading in group reading sessions.

Class Two

Pupils enjoyed an outdoor visit at Skelton Grange Environmental Centre learning about the needs of different needs of humans and animals to survive.

Class Three

Pupils became Roman soldiers for a day during their visit to Murton Park. They learned to march, make pots and dressed in Roman uniforms. Pupils are making good progress in their swimming lessons.

Class Four

As part of science the children have been learning all about sound. They had a visitor to explain how sound is made and how it travels. He brought lots of interesting instruments with him. Parents enjoyed their recent assembly about the Tudors too.

Class Five

Pupils have worked with the Into University group and taken part in a workshop again this term exploring what a university is. They also visited Abbey House as part of their history topic about the Victorians exploring crime and punishment in Victorian times. They visited a local high school to learn all about growth during British Science Week.

Class Six

During their trip to Armley Mill, pupils learned all about local history during World War Two and how the mill was used. They experienced what life was like for an evacuee by going in character and experiencing some of the activities evacuees took part in.

Sports

The netball team successfully played against other schools in a tournament. Our cross country team have continued to compete at events on Saturdays with lots of families attending. Our football team secured a win by penalties by against Christ the King as part of the Leeds Cup. All children who receive certificates each week will have their picture displayed in the entrance hall. Their achievements are also recorded in the gold book. Below is a list of achievers for this half term

Congratulations

Key Stage One

Elyana Frezghi	Jonathan Elias	Somtoo Ezeokoli	Benyas Dessalegn	Bayan Ahmed
Naadirah Ajisegiri	Nimrod Gebremariam	Ariam Luul	Gabriella Haftom	Issac Samiel
Abigayel Godofay	Mielaher Godofay			

Key Stage Two

Fyeri Estifanos	Bruk Elias	Class 4	Lucas Kiflemariam	Tedros Solomon
Tomas Kiflay	Rynad Ahmed	Aaliya Anoop	Class 6	Shalom Berakate
Mikias Kibreab	Seyi Olaniyi	Class 6		

Forthcoming Events

These events will be coming up over the next half term and you will receive more information about them nearer the time

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday 1 st April	BREAK UP for Easter Holiday
Tuesday 19 th April	SCHOOL-RE OPENS - NO clubs in school this week except for morning groups and Miss Spinks after school childcare
Thursday 21 st April	Class 2 on library visit
Monday 25 TH April - Wednesday 27 th April	Class 5 residential to Lineham farm
Wednesday 27 th April	Class 3 trip to Temple Newsam
Friday 29 th April	Class 5 Into University Workshop
Monday 2 nd May	Bank Holiday SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 3 rd May	Class 1 Assembly
Wednesday 4 th May	Class 5 on library visit
Monday 9 th May	Year 6 SATs week
Wednesday 11 th May	Reception trip to Hesketh farm
Thursday 26 th May	Class 5 trip to White Quarry Farm
Friday 27 th May	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
Monday 6 th June	SCHOOL RE-OPENS