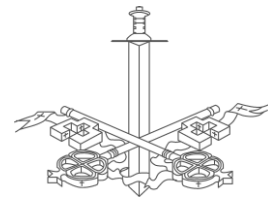


Ss PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



“To grow in knowledge and love, and walk in the footsteps of Jesus”

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS 17th OCTOBER 2016

Harvest

The children thoroughly enjoyed coming to school in bright clothes for Harvest and we are very grateful to you for your immense generosity in sending in food for the Foodbank and also donations for Cafod. The children learnt about life in Bolivia and how it is not always possible to grow food because of the climate change. Our donations to Cafod can change this by helping people to build greenhouses and so grow food to feed their families. An impressive £407.11 was raised. Thank you. Together, we can make a huge difference to so many in our world. The foodbank also benefited from the very generous collection brought in by the children.

Core Value

We continue this month to explore what being thankful really means. The children reflected on how much more choice of delicious foods we have than people had long ago. We are fortunate because we live in a country where most people have enough to eat. In fact there's enough food in the world for everyone, but it's not shared out fairly. Helping by giving to charities like CAFOD, that provide food for famine areas, and by purchasing Fairtrade foods where farmers are paid a fair price for the food they grow are simple but powerful ways to show our thankfulness. Remember, thankfulness is the beginning of happiness' and thankful people are happy people.

E-Safety

Last week, all classes received information on how to be safe when using the internet and parents attended a very informative workshop on how to keep our children safe. When used well, the internet is a safe, fun and informative place, but caution must be exercised as it can also be a dangerous place. At home and at school we can work together to help protect the children in our care.

Stranger Danger

There have been stranger danger reports on Wirral recently. The police are aware. Please remind your children how to stay safe.

Please Support our PTA Events

PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY – WE NEED YOU! YOUR CHILDREN NEED YOU! The next PTA Meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th November 2016 at 6.15pm. The AGM will also take place during the meeting.

Y4, Y5 and Y6 Cross Country

The next Wirral Primary Cross Country race is 4.10pm Thursday 20th October at Arrowe Park. If you are interested in your child taking part, please just turn up. Mrs Davies, our team manager, will meet your child there. Children run in PE kits. Parents are required to supervise their children at this event. No permission slips are required. Medals are only awarded if your child wins a team medal or comes in the top 10 positions.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

See the Calendar on our School Website.

Class assemblies: Parents/families are welcome to attend class assemblies

- ❖ 5M Wednesday 9th November 9.10am
- ❖ 6H Wed 16th Nov 9.10pm
- ❖ 4D Wed 23rd Nov

Year 6 Secondary Applications

The closing date for applications for secondary school places in September 2017 is 31st October 2016. You are encouraged to apply online at your local authority's website which is www.wirral.gov.uk. Booklets are available at www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions. If you have asked for your child to be assessed for grammar school education, please do not submit your online application until after you have received the outcome of the tests (21 October) as this may affect the schools you give as a preference. Remember to complete section B (Applicants to Catholic Schools: Supplementary information) if you are applying to catholic schools, or your application will not be ranked correctly. The Parental Preference Form can be accessed here: <https://www.wirral.gov.uk/sites/default/files/all/schools%20and%20learning/School%20admissions/Secondary%20preference%20form%202017.pdf>. Please contact the office if you have any questions about your application

Our Foundation 2 Children

The F2 children have made an excellent start to the school year. They have settled very well into routines and busy jobs, it feels as if they have always been with us! This Wednesday we will be thrilled to welcome their parents and families to our school when we join with the children at their special 'Welcome Assembly.' It is always a really exciting day as we are introduced to each of the children and what they already enjoy about school. We are grateful to their Year 6 reading partners who have been busy getting to know our new children.

St Mary's Dance Show

This Wednesday, we have been invited to take our KS2 children to the Floral Pavilion where they will watch the St. Mary's performance of 'Matilda'. We are always thrilled to see so many of our past pupils who are involved in performing and we are really looking forward to this wonderful opportunity of enjoying watching a live performance.

That evening, we will accompany 31 of our Year 5 and 6 children to the show as they will be performing in the second half. It is a fantastic experience to be able to perform on the stage and we are very grateful to St. Mary's for giving the children this wonderful opportunity. We know that you will all be

Parish Links

The Year 3 children and older children, who will receive the sacraments of First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion during this year, were formally welcomed on Saturday 16th October when they were enrolled at 6.00p.m. Mass. This took place in what is our parish Church of Holy Apostles and Martyrs. Fr. Phil and Fr. Michael were delighted to celebrate with us. Thank you to all the staff who are working so hard to prepare the children for such an important stage in their life. Please remember to keep all of our children in your prayers.

Baptisms

Preparation for Baptism takes place on the 2nd Sunday of each month. The meetings are held at St Alban's Parish Centre at 2pm. All are welcome.

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