





St Peter's Bratton Church of England Academy

Principal – Rhonda Welsh



NEWSLETTER

Friday 23rd February 2024

Welcome back after half term. I hope that you all have had a lovely break and that you enjoyed your pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. I hope that those who are observing lent are managing to cope. The staff have been working exceptionally hard to make our learning environments even better and we thank them for all their hard work.

School Christian Value



Principal's Award

On Monday, I awarded the Principal Awards to the following pupils. I know that they are all wearing their badges with pride and that there are a lot of proud parents.





St Peter's Points







Some of you may have noticed that the adults in school have little bags attached to their lanyard. These contain our St. Peter's Points (named by School Council). When adults spot_children being Ready, Respectful and Safe they will award a token which then is displayed on the chart. When they have 300 points the class will receive 10 mins free time. It is planned that classes will then be able to decide on their reward moving forward.

Registering your feelings

In order to support the children to be able to communicate with adults, I have implemented a scale with which pupils use numbers rather than words to express how they are feeling. Children will say a number to the register in the morning and afternoon. Also, adults can use this throughout the day to check in with children. Why don't you try this at home by asking what number they are?



Calm Areas

We all know that sometimes in life we just need a few moments and at school this is no different. The pastoral team have set up calm areas around the school where pupils can self-regulate through a variety of strategies and then get back to learning. Thank you to the Friends for purchasing our beautiful bean bags and Mr Wilkes for the posters.

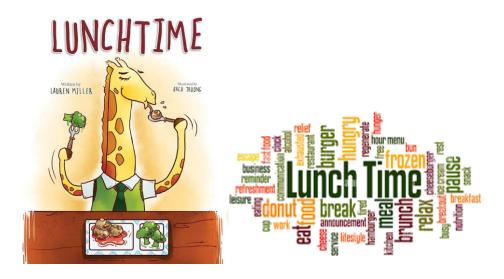


Lunchtimes

On Monday we started our new family service mealtimes and this has worked exceptionally well (tweaked as the week went by). There is a really positive feeling regarding this and the following comments have been made

Pupil – This gets 5 stars as I get to sit with my friends! Pupil – I am glad we don't have to stand in the long queues.

Staff- Lunchtimes are much calmer and seems safer.



Door and gate opening times

Having spoken to several parents and observing the congestion in person, I have taken the decision to open the school doors at 8:35am each morning. We trialled this the last few days and it has had a huge impact already. The timings will still stay the same in terms of when children need to be in school it just helps parents to drop off and go a little earlier. At the end of the day we are opening the gates at 3:05pm to avoid the long queues and also, as a parent pointed out, give an opportunity for parents to get to know other parents of children in their child's year group. As always, I will continue to listen and change accordingly.

Parental/Carer Conduct

In a world where people are exceptionally busy and people's well-being and mental health is at the fore it is important that when we communicate with each other it is done in a respectful way. As you know, the administration team go above and beyond to support our pupils and are very lucky to have such a wonderful team. Unfortunately, it has been brought to my attention that there has been a rise in conduct that is not in fitting with our expectations. The parental/carer 'licence' expects parents/carers to conduct themselves in a proper manner whilst on the school premises and to observe normal common courtesies. Sometimes, like at the doctor's surgery, you will be asked for information or to provide documents. These are essential requirements and not us as a school trying to make your life difficult. As always, I thank the majority of parents who are cooperative and respectful.



A Special Thank You



I would like to thank all the wonderful members of staff and our amazing kitchen staff for everything that they have done over the last two weeks to support the changes I have put in place. Many have given up time during Half term or gone above and beyond and that shows the fabulous family we have here at St. Peter's Bratton, encapsulating that we are



Enriching Lives Everyday



Have a fabulous weekend and I will see you all back on Monday 😉

Stay safe, love



Mrs Welsh xx George and Teddy

Year 5

This week, Year 5 have been exploring forces in Science. We have used Newton Meters to measure the effect of gravity on objects.

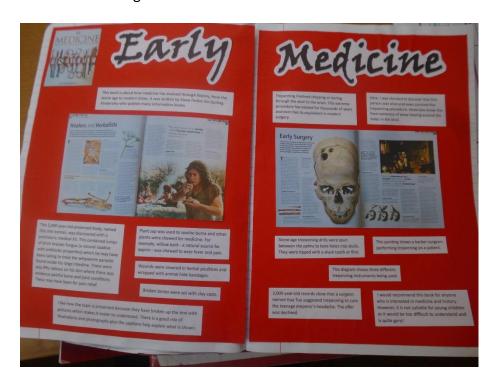
Today we have planned an investigation about air resistance. We are looking forward to carrying it out next week.

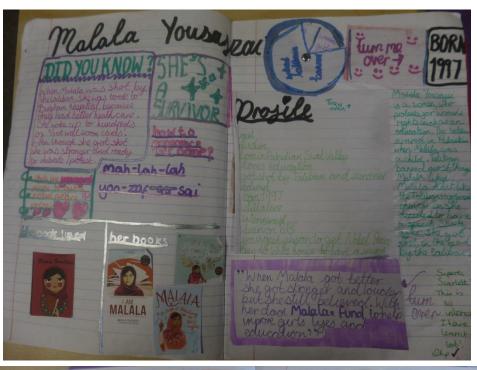


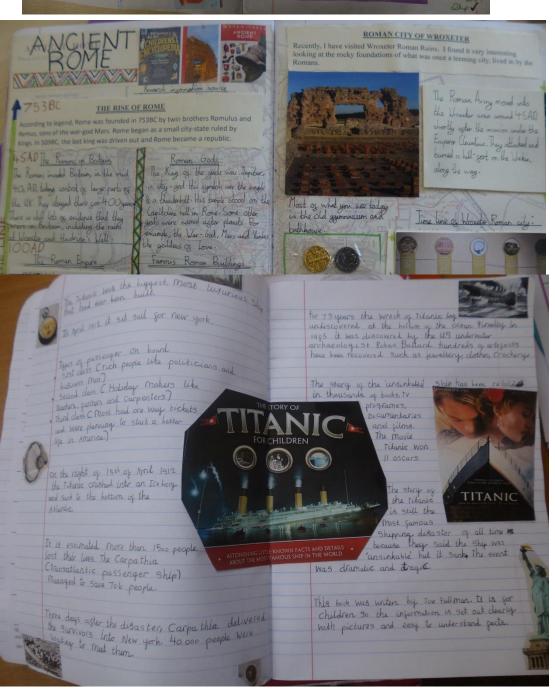
Year 6 News

Year 6 completed some great non-fiction reading challenges last half term, which they brought in to share with their classes this week.

Here is some of their amazing work:

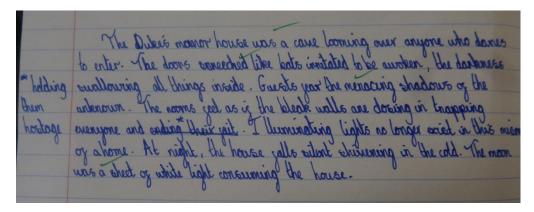






In English, we are reading 'The Wind in the Wall' by Sally Gardner. This week we have been using figurative language to describe the setting.

Here are some great examples:

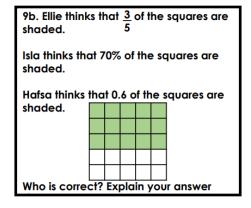


The duties mover house stood high on top as a hill tolonge towering over the ourounding houses. It grumbles, and growns and screens during the night. It is a grant maching over the village waiting for his next dunner...

The dubes manor house stood high on a hill looking down at the surrounding cottages. With a aggressive stair and grumbuling and groaning sounds livery person that enters this house mysteriously rever comes back out. With watching windows this house towers every everything. As you walk up to the door, you will hear that the door is creaking and ordickaling. This house is a mystery this house is a blood bath, this house is a house of murder murder. This house, This house is a giant.

In Maths, we are learning about fractions, decimals and percentages.

Can you solve one of our challenges from this week?



St Peter's Christingle Candle Money Boxes

The Children's Society





A BIG congratulations to all the children, parents and carers of St Peter's as we have managed to raise a whopping £209.85 by collecting spare change. Well done to our Worship Council who spent time sorting all the many coins.











Dance Achievement

Olivia in 2R1 has danced her way to the All England dance competition Regional finals, and will compete in Manchester over 2 weekends in May/June. Where she will also be competing to qualify for the National finals, which if successful will be held in July.

Olivia attends MD Academy, based in Telford, and she is one of 40 students aged between 5 years old to 17 years old who have qualified.

All England is one of the biggest dance competitions and she will be competing against some of the best dancers in the country. This is a massive achievement and Olivia has worked so hard and shown real dedication to get to this position. Well done Olivia!





House points

This week	Caer Caradoc	Haughmond	Stiperstones	Wrekin	
	175	209	206	238	
So far this	2266	2206	2126	2///1	
term	3266	3306	3136	3441	

Weekly winners!

Well done, Wrekin!

Termly winners so far!

Well done, Wrekin!

Wrap Around Easter Holiday Club!

Holiday Club booking is open to book from Friday 9th February and will close on Wednesday 13th March 6pm.

Holiday club will be open on the week of Monday 25th March-Thursday 28th March and the week of Tuesday 2nd April-Friday 5th April.

We open at 8.30am and close at 4.30pm each day. The cost is £25.00 per day.

Once booked sessions will need to be paid for before the child attends club.

Children will need to be provided with a piece of fruit or breakfast bar for morning snack, a packed lunch for lunchtime and a small afternoon snack, all food that is brought in must not contain nuts.

Children are welcome to bring in scooters and bikes with helmets to play on outside or a small toy to play inside during free play.

We do not allow electronic devices.

We have a wide range of activities planned!

Easter	AM	AM	AM	AM	AM	LUNCH	PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
Half Term.	Craft	SNACK	Baking	Outside	Inside		Game	Craft	SNACK	Outside	Inside
Monday 25 th March	Tissue paper Easter eggs		Puff pastry pizzas	Bikes and scooters	Free play		Easter bingo	Bunny <u>toilet</u> roll tube		Free play	Easter colour by numbers
Tuesday 26 th March	Easter cards		Lemon shortbread	Act like a	Free play		Pictionary game	Easter bonnet crowns		Free play	Spring word-search
Wednesday 27 th March	Bunny ears		Bunny bread rolls	Tag	Free play		Sleeping bunnies	Cotton wool sheep picture		Free play	Spring maze
Thursday 28 th March	Flower paintings		Rice crispy cakes	Bunny hop races	Free play		Animal quiz	Design your own Easter egg		Free play	Easter colouring sheets
Tuesday 2 <u>nd April</u>	Easter basket craft		Hot cross buns	Easter scavenger hunt	Free play		Musical chairs	Hatching chick paper craft		Free play	I spy spring sheet
Wednesday 3 rd April	Chick paper plate craft		Easter biscuits	Running races	Free play		Bunny bunny rabbit!	Paper flower bouquets		Free play	Spring crossword
Thursday 4 th April	Spring pictures		Cheese muffins	Ball games	Free play		Stick the tail on the bunny	Bunny rabbit paper plate		Free play	Spring animals colouring sheets
Friday 5 th April	Bumble bee toilet roll tube		Jam tarts	Hoops and skipping ropes	Free play		Animal charades	Ladybird toilet roll tube		Free play	Copycat butterfly pictures

Wraparound Reminders! ©

- Breakfast and afterschool club dates will be put on the system and made available to book a half term at a time.
 - Wraparound is now at a Capacity of 45, this should avoid any disappointment when trying to book a space.
- Please when you do book and you pay by vouchers, ensure you send the exact amount and that all balances are cleared before booking for the next half term.
 - When entering wraparound please ensure your mobile phone is put away.
- We are a <u>NUT FREE ZONE</u> please do not send your Child in with products containing nuts.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event				
Friday 9 th February	Bookings Open for Easter Wrap Around Holiday Club				
Thursday 29 th February	Leap Day Family Quiz – Friends Event				
Tuesday 5 th March	Dental Nurses visiting Reception				
Thursday 7 Th March	World Book Day				
Monday 11 th March – Friday 22 nd March	Learning Conference Fortnight				
Wednesday 13 th March	Bookings Close for Easter Wrap Around Club				
Saturday 16 th March	Outdoor Spring Clean – Friends Event				
Wednesday 20 th March	Year 4 visit to Wroxeter				
Thursday 21st March	Easter Fun Day – Friends Event				
Monday 25 th March	Easter Holidays – Open for Wrap Around Holiday Club 25/03 – 28/03 & 02/04 – 05/04				
Monday 8 th April	Summer term begins				
Wednesday 10 th April	Year 1 visit to Exotic Zoo – details to follow				
Saturday 13 th April	Car Boot Sale – Friends Event				
Monday 6 th May	Bank holiday				
Wednesday 22 nd May	Colour Run – Friends Event				
Friday 24 th May	PD Day				
Monday 27 th May	Half Term				
Friday 12 th July	Summer Fayre – Friends Event				
Monday 22 nd July	PD Day				
Tuesday 23 rd July	Summer holidays				