





# St Peter's Bratton Church of England Academy

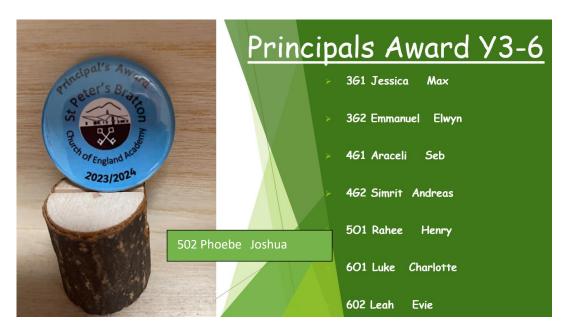
Principal – Rhonda Welsh



# **NEWSLETTER**

Friday 1st March 2024

It's been another exceptionally busy week at St. Peter's Bratton and we have been so impressed with all the fantastic learning that has been happening.



Please see the amended Principal award table for KS2, sorry 502 for missing you off last week!

#### **Parent Survey**



Thank you to all the parents who have taken part in our parent survey. As well as the responses to the questions (see additional paperwork emailed), I have also collated a list of concerns that have been raised that I will be addressing over the next weeks and months. Here are the list of actions that I will be working on, as you can see some of them I have addressed already

Parental Communication - letters/Apps	After school clubs	P.E. Provision	Parental involvement in Learning (in school reading etc.)	Praise and Rewards	Outdoor Play areas	School Lunch Payment
Wrap around	Homework	Football	Pupil	Reading	Bereavement	Pupil
Care – Cost &			hydration	Buddies	Support	<b>Progress</b>
Provision						
Reception	Parental	Secondary	School visits	Outdoor	Bullying	Rising cost
Transition	<b>Phonics classes</b>	Transition	(Off site)	Learning		of Arthog
		Support				
Information	Reading journal	Pupils				
regarding	correspondence	being able				
current learning		to express				
		how they				
		are				
		feeling.				

Thank you to those parents who highlighted many things that are done well and the recognition of the staff, who do go above and beyond to support our wonderful children.

**Pupil Hydration** 



From Monday, pupils can have squash or flavoured water in order to support their hydration. Please can I ask that no Sports or Energy drinks are provided as these are not necessary (although I know they are fashionable). In return for this, can you please ensure that teeth are brushed extra specially well before bedtime (3)

**Happy Second Birthday to our Leapster!** 



As it is a leap year, we were able to celebrate the second birthday (8<sup>th</sup>) of our one and only leapster in the school, Finn. He certainly enjoyed his birthday cake.

### **Year 6 Secondary School Places**

Today Year 6 received their offers for Secondary School places. If you need any further help and support moving forward with this process please contact us and we will be more than happy to help. In order to support this transition, I am advertising Youth on Tuesday at Admaston House. This supports pupils meeting other pupils in Year 7 and 8 in a safe and supportive environment.



## **Welcome to the Neighbourhood**



Yesterday, I took two of our School Councillors to welcome the Co-op to our neighbourhood. The staff were very impressed with their welcome card and as a result our councillors were chosen to be in the picture for the press. Co-op also very kindly supplied us with some sweets and have said that they will support us in any way they can.

**Have you got a Toddler?** 



Why not take advantage of the Toddler café and Pushchair People. Walking distance, so fresh and good company.



#### **ABOUT US**

Welcome to Pushchair People Toddler Group.

Pushchair People is a ministry of St Christopher's Trust which is a Christian Charity. The Trust works together with local churches.

Its ethos is informed by the Christian faith and the vision and values of the Trust.

The Group is part of our commitment to serving the local community and supporting family life.

#### Aims

Our aim is to create a friendly environment where you and your children can play, meet and make new friends.

We credit ourselves with having a friendly family feel to our group. In all families, things run well when each person plays a part in helping with tasks. Although there are usually a few regular people who commit to helping, attendees often help with putting away toys.

From time to time we may invite you to activities connected with St Christopher's and local churches such as Ladies events Alpha, Forest Church and Special family activities.

f you would like to know more about hese please ask Sharon. As a Christian group we will include children's songs of worship in our singing time.

Each session includes a craft, play and singing time.
Guidelines

 Attendance. We keep a weekly register. Each person arriving should pay and tick their name off in the register so we know who is present for fire regulations.

- 2. Please make sure you are aware of the fire exits.
- 3. Please leave pushchairs in the foyer in order to keep doorways clear (unless you have a baby who needs to sleep).
- 4. Do not bring a child to Pushchair People if they have chicken-pox, German measles or other infectious diseases.
- There are baby changing units in both the disabled and ladies toilet. We would be grateful if you would not leave dirty nappies on the premises but take them away with you.

5. Please watch children carefully when not drinks are about and ensure your your drink is out of children's reach. We orefer children to sit at the tables for their drink and biscuit for their own afety and also to maintain a clean If you bring snacks with you please do not share without permission with other children in case of allergic reactions.

- 7. If you or your child is injured at Pushchair People please inform Sharon as soon as possible. We have to keep records of injuries sustained. There will often be a first aider available if you need one.
- 8. If you see something which appears unsafe, e.g. a broken toy, please let a member of staff know.
- 9. Children occasionally hurt each other, this is a normal part of growing up. We don't expect perfect behaviour & coming to groups like this is how they learn what is acceptable. If you have any concerns about the behaviour of any child and it cannot be resolved with the parent, please see Sharon.



### **Friends Quiz**

Last night I had the pleasure of hosting our first St. Peter's Bratton Quiz (oh yes, I did dance during the silent disco round). It was a fabulous atmosphere with lots of fun. Thank you to all the wonderful Friends Association for organising and all the families and staff who attended. I have already been asked when the next one is.



Happy St. David's Day



Wishing all our wonderful Welsh families a very happy St. David's Day!



Mrs Welsh xx George and Teddy

# **\* Melting & Freezing**





Reception children have been learning about the features of Winter and what they have noticed outside. Children discussed and shared what they have seen on frosty walks. They have also been looking at what happens when something freezes and melts.

What does melting mean?

- "Snowmen melting" Connie
- "Something getting hot" Frankie
- "Fire can melt ice" Seb
- "Ice cream melting" Lily

What does freezing mean?

- "Elsa can freeze people" Joss
- "Snow without gloves on is too cold for your hands"
- Ben

Children predicted what would happen to the cup of water when put into the freezer. Once the water was frozen children observed and explored ice related activities. Children saw the process of ice melting through play.





What do you see?

- "The water turns to ice" Jeremy
- "The water gets hard and cold" Mia K
- "The ice can melt in your hands and all of the water will go on your hands" — Mia S

"If I rub it together with my hands it melts" – Ava



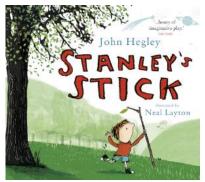






# **English**

This half term we have been reading the story Stanleys stick. We used our own ideas to innovate the story and created a story map to help us remember the key parts of the story. We were all proud of our amazing work.



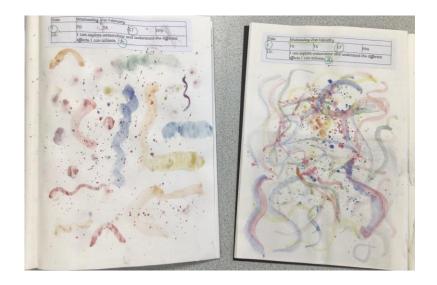






## Art

We have just started our Exploring watercolour unit. During our first lesson we explored the different techniques we could use, experimenting without an end goal in mind. We used our paintbrushes in different ways, using our fingertips to spray and even our hands to create effects. Year 1 are excited to develop their skills and then complete a final piece.



# PE

In PE our focus has been fitness and how exercise makes our body feel. We have completed lots of different exercises to see what the effects are on our heart. We have learnt the importance of warming up before we do exercise and cooling down. The children enjoyed feeling their hearts beating either fast or slow.

### **School Council meetings in Spring term**

The school council have been very busy with our meetings.

We have started off by talking about school in general with Mrs Welsh. Here are our thoughts from the meeting.

# Playtime

There isn't much improvement needed for playtimes and we can't have an extension because we have to fit all our learning. Football has been mentioned but if we were to bring it back then there would have to be some strict health and safety rules because some arguments about football has been brought into the classrooms and has caused unhealthy behaviour.

## Rewards

We have discussed about having class points called either PETER POINTS or BRATTON POINTS. We would still have house points.

# ADULT AND CHILD EXPECTATIONS

Parents MUST not only ensure that we come to school but to make sure me are dressed in the correct uniform to enable us to represent our school with pride and passion. Teachers MUST treat every single student with respect. Children must do so as well to their peers and teachers.

## LUNCHTIMES

Recently in Y5/6 we have had the balls taken off us due to arguments and play fighting. Football has been mentioned in our meeting we hope to have it back but there are no promises. I know that quite a few people in this school really enjoy football so it's so sad to that they can't have that privilege to play.

## AOB

BRATTON'S GOT TALENT!

We thought of an idea to do a mini talent show within school. RED NOSE DAY  $\,$ 

This year's theme is :DO SOMETHING FUNNY FOR MONEY.

How can we celebrate?

Dress down day for £1 or Bake Sale or Throw Wet Sponges At The Teachers For £1 per 3 Throws.

On Monday we met with Di from the school catering team. Di shared lots of different menus with us from local schools and challenged us to design our own menu for the school.







We have asked our friends in our classes and will be passing our suggestions on to the catering team who are going to come up with a new menu for us to enjoy.

# **House points**

This week	Caer Caradoc	Haughmond	Stiperstones	Wrekin
	164	260	255	264
So far this	2420	2566	2204	2705
	3430	3566	3391	3705
term				

## Weekly winners!

Well done, Wrekin!

## Termly winners so far!

Well done, Wrekin!

# **Red Nose Day**

# Friday 15th March



"Do something funny for money".

Please come to school wearing something that makes you smile.

Superhero costume

Favourite outfit

Football kit

**Princess dress** 

PJS

St Peter's is going cashless for Comic Relief. Please use the link below to donate via Just Giving or scan the QR code.

Please do not bring cash to school as a donation

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd24-st-peters-bratton-church-of-england-academy?utm\_source=copyLink&utm\_medium=fundraising&utm\_content=rnd24-st-peters-bratton-church-of-england-academy&utm\_campaign=pfp-share&utm\_term=bbd31f109e384e069f5cc5d75c54c5d6



## **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Date	Event		
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Bookings Open for Easter Wrap Around Holiday Club		
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Dental Nurses visiting Reception		
Thursday 7 <sup>Th</sup> March	World Book Day		
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Learning Conference Fortnight		
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Bookings Close for Easter Wrap Around Club		
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day		
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Outdoor Spring Clean – Friends Event		
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 visit to Wroxeter		
Thursday 21st March	Easter Fun Day – Friends Event		
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Holidays – Open for Wrap Around Holiday Club 25/03 – 28/03 & 02/04 – 05/04		
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer term begins		
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 1 visit to Exotic Zoo		
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Car Boot Sale – Friends Event		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday		
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Colour Run – Friends Event		
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	PD Day		
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term		
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fayre – Friends Event		
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	PD Day		
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Summer holidays		