



St Peter's Bratton Church of
England Academy

NEWSLETTER

Friday 22nd October 2021

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of the first half-term of a slightly more normal, but not fully normal school year!

The children all settled really well back into school after the summer holidays and have worked really hard over this half-term. They and the staff team here, need a good break over the half-term break.

We have sent out 30 Principal Award letters today.... so some of you will receive these over the next few days.

It's full edition for the newsletter this week where you'll see some of things happening around school as well as some updates and information.

I wish you all a happy half-term.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Principal

A THEME FROM OCTOBER

Black History Month Assembly

Although integrated into our history and curriculum throughout the year, we do have a particular focus on Black History during Black History Month (October). Here are some slides taken from Mrs Oakley's Black History Month assembly. This was designed by Miss Bulkeley-Jones our History Lead. Any questions regarding Black History Month, please contact either Miss Bulkeley-Jones or Mrs Oakley. Also, follow our Twitter feed via the school's website for more information.

Who and What are we learning about?

Year Group	Theme	People/Event
Reception	Fairness	
Year 1	Fairness	Rosa Parks
Year 2	Culture and Art	Bob Marley, The Specials, UB40 etc
Year 3	Success and achievement	British Heroes
Year 4	Success and achievement	International Heroes
Year 5	Immigration and British Culture	Windrush and the Notting Hill Carnival
Year 6	Discrimination and perseverance in politics	Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King, Mohandas Gandhi, Diane Abbot

Why is it important?

- Discrimination – what's happening in this picture?
- How does this relate to our study of Black History Month?
- In the past, black and other ethnic people have been discriminated against.
- What does this make you think?



Reflection

In history, black people were discriminated against in some really awful ways.

Thankfully times have changed and continue to change.

Let's aim for fairness and equality to make life better for everyone.

Thank you Lord for those who have brought light to the world with their kindness and courage. Help us never to forget the past and those who have worked to make the lives of others better. Give us the strength that many black people had as they strived to make a difference in the world. Help us to keep their memory alive and use the stories from the past to help us make good choices in the present.

Amen



Other links;

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/explainers-54522248>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/58765072>



UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Silkin way consultation

Telford and Wrekin have launched a consultation about planned improvements to the Silkin Way. You can access the survey here <https://telford.researchfeedback.net/s.asp?k=162971275670>

Covid update

Our covid numbers have really come down in school now and we only have a few isolated cases at the time of writing. However, across the region and Telford in particular numbers have continued to rise.

It is helpful to us if you continue to let us know if your child tests positive for covid over the half term holiday. To do this please email stpetersholidaycovid@gmail.com

There is new regional advice out, which says:

If a member of the household tests positive, the child can continue to attend school (unless symptomatic) but the child should have a daily LFD test.

The advice remains the same if the child is symptomatic or generally unwell, which is to get a PCR test.

Therefore, parents might want to ensure you LFD tests available at home, if you do not have them already. There are new nasal only testing kits available, which are easier for children.

To order go to this page <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing/regular-rapid-coronavirus-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms/>

The page does say you need to be aged over 11 for these kits. We have checked this and are told that is the national advice and will remain on the website, but the regional advice should be followed.

Parent's Association

Thank you to all those who have showed interest in being part of the Parent's Association. We'll leave the sign-up sheet open until after half-term and then arrange a meeting for those that are interested. Link [here](#).

Online Safety



We have attached some parental guides to help check settings of popular streaming sites (Disney+, Netflix and Prime) and we have some specific advice about Squid Game below. Please take time over half term to have a conversation with your child about what they are watching online on any internet enabled device. As with films, all TV programmes offered through these sites have age limits and offer overviews of the content shown. Some material from popular programmes aimed at an older audience is also accessible

through apps such as TikTok (13+). If you would like any help or support with any aspect of online safety, please contact your child's class teacher using the appropriate channels.

Squid Game

You may have heard of Squid Game, a programme on Netflix that has been very popular recently.

It's rated 15 due to its violent nature and sexual content. But there have been reports of younger children also watching it.

Children might also have seen parts of the programme recreated as challenges on social media, for example on TikTok, or they may have seen or played an online game that's based on it.

Recently, there have been some media reports of children recreating violent aspects of the show, though there haven't been reports of any children being seriously hurt.

What should parents do?

- It might be tempting to, but don't directly raise Squid Game with your child – they might be unaware of it and mentioning it could make them more likely to seek it out.
- Do let your child know they can talk to you about anything they see online that they find upsetting. If you hear them talking about Squid Game or if they mention it to you, talk to them about how the show isn't meant for young children.

For more pointers on talking to your child about online safety, see this page on the NSPCC website:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/>

- We'd encourage you to take this opportunity to check your Netflix settings for your child's profile. You can set maturity ratings so that your child only sees TV shows and films that have a rating suitable for their age.

To do this:

From a web browser, go to your account page

Open the 'Profile and Parental Controls' settings for the profile you want to manage

Change the 'Viewing Restrictions' setting

Enter your Netflix password

Set the maturity rating level for the TV shows and films you want to allow in that profile

Select 'Save'

You'll need to have set up a profile for your child in your account to do this. See how to do this here:

<https://help.netflix.com/en/node/114275>

Telford and Wrekin Design a Christmas Card Competition

Telford and Wrekin are holding a competition to design their 2021 Christmas card. Please see the attached letter and entry form for details.

PE kit days

Week beginning 1st November

Monday 1 st November	6O3, 4G1, 2R2
Tuesday 2 nd November	RO1, RO2, 6O1, 6O2, 1R1, 3G1, 1R2, 3G2, 4G2
Wednesday 3 rd November	3G1, 3G2, 2R1, 1R1, RO1, RO2, 5B2
Thursday 4 th November	5B1, 5B2, 6O1, 6O2, 6O3, 4G1
Friday 5 th November	1R2, 4G2, 2R1, 2R2, 5B1

Rest of the Autumn Term from wc 8th November

Monday	RO1, RO2, 4G1, 2R2
Tuesday	6O3, 6O1, 6O2, 1R1, 3G1, 1R2, 3G2, 4G2
Wednesday	3G1, 3G2, 2R1, 1R1, RO1, RO2, 5B2
Thursday	5B1, 5B2, 6O1, 6O2, 6O3, 4G1
Friday	1R2, 4G2, 2R1, 2R2, 5B1

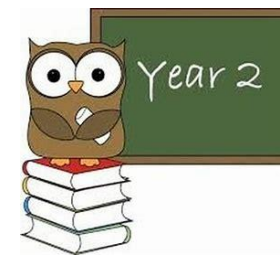
Harvest Service 2021

Thank you to all the parents and children of St Peter's for your generous Harvest gifts for the work of Telford Crisis and the local food bank. Your gifts make such a difference, you have already helped to change a life and made a huge difference. If this has inspired your children to do "more" then we would like to hear about it. Kind regards, Miss Crossland



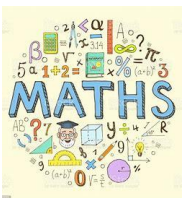
Thank you to everyone who supported our yellow day on Friday 8th October. We raised £294, which will go to the mental health charity Young Minds. If you would like to see what the children have been doing to mark the day, please head over to our school Twitter page @st_bratton. There is still time to donate, if you would like to do so, through our Just Giving page [St.Peter's Bratton is fundraising for Young Minds Trust \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/St-Peter's-Bratton-is-fundraising-for-Young-Minds-Trust)

Thank you for your continued support in raising money for charities locally and nationally.



This half term we have been busy learning about China in geography, finding out about continuous line drawing and art and how to deal with their emotions in PSHE. If you would like to support your child at home with their maths skills or handwriting, please see the information below. We are grateful of your continued support and encouragement.

Mrs Kincaid, Mrs Crooke and Miss Bulkeley-Jones.



In Year 2, we have been learning about how to add and subtract single digits using the column method. After half term, we will be moving on to adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers from 2 digit numbers. We would be very grateful if you could practise this skill over the half term break.

We have been looking at adding and subtracting by using regrouping.

Definition

Regrouping In addition or subtraction, moving numbers to different place values.

Examples:

'1 5	'2 '5
+ 1 6	- 6
3 1	1 9

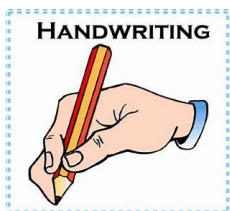
The following YouTube videos will help explain the concepts and the process the children have learnt using Base 10 equipment and a place value chart. The children will be adding and subtracting within 100.

[How to add two 2 digit numbers with regrouping.](#)

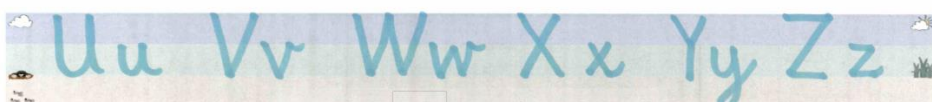
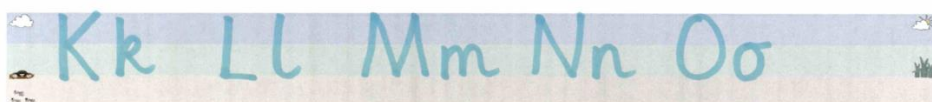
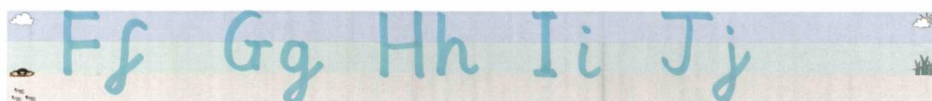
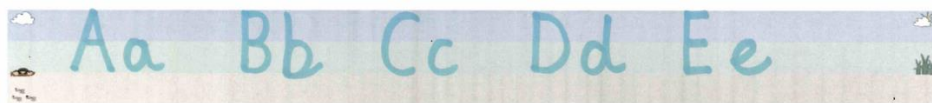
[Addition to 50 With Regrouping – Base-10 Blocks and Place Value Chart](#)

[How to subtract with regrouping.](#)

[Subtraction Within 100 With Regrouping – Base-10 Blocks and Place Value Chart](#)



This half term, the children have been introduced to a new handwriting scheme and have been learning how to form their letters. Handwriting plays an important part of our school day and the children have been working hard to showcase what they have learnt We have provided a copy below and would love to see any writing that they do at home. The classes are continuing to work on their Phase 5 phonics and are practising reading and writing words incorporating the appropriate phonemes.



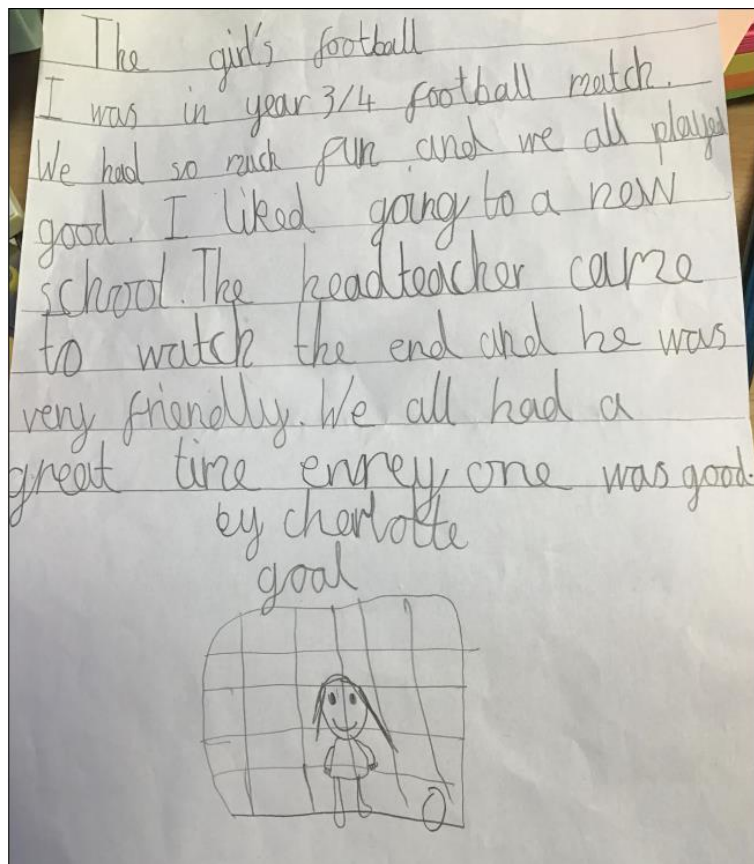
Lunch time VIPs!

Eden	RO1	For eating up all her lunch every day this week so she has lots of energy for the afternoon!
Alice	RO2	For looking after her friend at lunchtime. Thank you, Alice.
Nimrit	1R1	For good manners at lunchtime and for following instructions well.
Isla	1R2	For being your wonderful self! You are a superstar Isla!
Ayaana	2R1	For lovely manners and for helping out at lunchtime. You are a pleasure to have around!
Logan	2R2	For being a pleasure to have around at lunch. What a polite young man!
William	3G1	For being the go-to when other children want help or want to play at lunchtime. William shows lots of enthusiasm for the activities too.
Aria-Rose	3G2	For using great manners at lunchtime.
Thomas	4G1	For always being eager to lend a helpful hand to his lunchtime supervisor.
Annabelle	4G2	For showing great kindness to her friends at lunchtime.
Isaac	5B1	For always being helpful to his friends. Isaac takes the lunch boxes and sports bag out too. Thanks Isaac!
Ana	5B2	For showing kind manners and respect at lunchtime.
Joshua	6O1	For being very helpful at lunchtime without being asked.
Lauren	6O2	For being kind and considerate to her peers. Lauren is always respectful.
Louis	6O3	For using good manners. Louis is very respectful of others too. Thank you, Louis!

Football Update

We have had two more games since the last football tournament update!

The Year 3 and 4 girls team played their first game against Grange Park Primary school and showed a fantastic attitude! Here is a recount from one of our team members:



The 5/6 girls team also played another one of their tournament games against Millbrook Primary School. They worked hard, showed excellent teamwork skills and were very determined. They showed such a good attitude it was complimented by the other school, with them commenting "they were a credit to the school and staff. They played football in the right way and showed great perseverance. It was a good game of football and fantastic experience for both teams."

A big well done to all of our teams for their super attitude on the pitch this half term!

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Monday 25 th October to Friday 29 th October	Half term
Monday 1 st November	Year 3 Stone Age Experience
Tuesday 2 nd November to Thursday 18 th November	Learning Conferences – details have all been sent
Wednesday 3 rd November Thursday 4 th November	4G1 Carding Mill Valley 4G2 Carding Mill Valley
Thursday 11 th November	Year 4 Wonderful World of Water Workshop – details to follow
Wednesday 24 th November	Individual School Photographs

Wednesday 1st December	9:30am Year 1 Nativity High Ercall Church 11:00am Year 2 Nativity High Ercall Church
Thursday 2 nd December	Reception Nativity – 9:30am in school
Friday 3 rd December	10:00am Year 3/4 Carol Service All Saints Church Wellington 1:30pm Year 5/6 Carol Service All Saints Church Wellington
Monday 20 th December to Monday 3 rd January	Christmas holidays