



NEWSLETTER

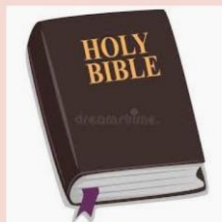
Friday 28th February 2025

This week has been exceptionally difficult for our family and community at St. Peter's Bratton. As you are aware, our beloved Mrs Pugh passed away suddenly on Saturday, and we have all been overwhelmed by the love and support that we have received. The pupils have been doing some learning about grief and loss to help support them during this sad time.

Mrs Pugh



Psalm 46:1: "God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble."



Invitation to prayer- pray in your way

Dear Lord,

Be with us all today (and the coming days and weeks) as we think about the very sad news we have received about Mrs Pugh.

We have been honoured to have such a kind, loving and supportive member of staff who gave so much to St. Peter's Bratton over the past 20 years. She will be missed terribly.

We especially want to pray for all her family and friends who will be struggling to cope with this.

We ask that you give us the strength to surround each other with love and support.

Amen




Mrs Pugh started working at St Peter's in 2004, supporting teaching across both key stage one and two where many children would have had the good fortune of her being in their lessons. Mrs Pugh has had a significant impact throughout her career on so many children.

She was an incredible individual who was admired and respected by both colleagues and children alike. She was kind, supportive and loving and this was evident in how she taught the children in her care and the subsequent positive relationships she formed.

She will be sadly missed by our whole school community and our thoughts and sincere condolences are extended to her husband Glyn, her children, Robert, Alex and Amy, her grandchildren and all her family and friends. On Thursday, we were very fortunate to have Mr Pugh and Sandra's sons Robert and Alex visit school to have some time with staff to share happy memories. They were overwhelmed with the flowers and cards that were placed on St. Peter's rock and have asked me to extend their thanks to our school community. They requested if any families have photographs or video footage of Mrs Pugh, that we would send these to them so they can create a memory book for her grandchildren. If this is the case, can you please email them directly to me – rhonda.welsh1@taw.org.uk




When we are aware of the details of the funeral we will share the plans with you.

Christian Value For this Half Term



Our School Values:

- Excellence
- Nurture
- Respect
- Integrity**
- Compassion
- Hope
- (ENRICH)



COURAGE



'Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.'

Joshua 1.9

QUOTES & QUESTIONS

Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the little voice at the end of the day that says 'I'll try again tomorrow.'
(Mary Anne Radmacher)

Courage is not the absence of fear. It is acting in spite of it.
(Mark Twain)

Everyone feels scared sometimes. Have you ever overcome your fears and achieved something that you're proud of?


Can you remember a time when you thought 'I've just got to keep trying'?

A person cannot discover new oceans unless he has the courage to lose sight of the shore.
(André Gide)

If you have the **courage to begin**, you have the **courage to succeed**.
(David Viscott)

When did you last step outside your comfort zone to try something new?




Do you need **courage** to make a start on something new?



What is Courage?

COURAGE IS ..

- Carrying on when things are difficult
- Overcoming fear
- Understanding and facing challenges
- Risking being out of your comfort zone
- Always believing in God's promises
- Going for a goal
- Empowered by encouragement

Principal's Award

Principals Award R-Y2



- RO1 Everlyn Heidi S
- RO2 Treasure Primrose
- 1R1 Michalina Christopher
- 1R2 Seb Olivia
- 2R1 Paige Dimitri
- 2R2 Ruby Katie

Principals Award Y3 - 6



- 3G1 Emily Maryam
- 3G2 Kaysen Toby
- 4G1 Ziggy Evie
- 4G2 Evie Stefan
- 5O1 Ruben Maria
- 5O2 Max Jasmine
- 6O1 Freya Mason
- 6O2 Joshua Amelia

Bratton's Bright Stars



Awarded 28/02/25

Class	Pupil (First Name)	Reason why a Bratton Bright Star
RO1 Academic	Keegan	For settling in so well and making new friendships and showing resilience within his learning.
RO1 Citizenship	Shazain	For having a fantastic first week, forming new friendships and discovering his interests within the learning environment.
RO2 Academic	Pippa	For working hard with your reading as well as recognising harder to read and spell words in phonics. Keep up the good work!
RO2 Citizenship	Thomas	For setting a good example to others at carpet time and showing enthusiasm and a love of learning in phonics.
1R1 Academic	Oscar	For showing lots of respect this week by being focused and using his listening skills. Well done!
1R1 Citizenship	Christopher	For your amazing comments and ideas during Internet Safety Day. Well done!
1R2 Academic	Roman	You tried so hard in our gymnastics lesson this week. Well done, I am so proud of you.
1R2 Citizenship	Grace	For following our school rules to a high standard. You are a pleasure to have in the classroom.
2R1 Academic	Gabby	Gabby has shown real determination towards her learning and is making huge progress.
2R1 Citizenship	Toby	For being caring, considerate and always knowing when to be there for your friends.
2R2 Academic	Edison	You have made brilliant progress in your times table test, you have worked hard to understand division. Great work!
2R2 Citizenship	Sienna	You have been extremely considerate of everyone's feelings this week. I was really appreciative of the beautiful picture that you gave me to cheer me up. Thank you for being so thoughtful.
3G1 Academic	Jack Sorsby	For setting a great example with your maths work this week including some clear explanations of your ideas - well done!
3G1 Citizenship	Penelope	For always being an excellent role model of what our behaviour should look like, well done!
3G2 Academic	Kinsie	For some brilliant use of sounds in her writing and her amazing handwriting she has practiced with Mrs Jones.
3G2 Citizenship	Olivia Fleming	For always being ready respectful and safe while producing her best work. Well done Olivia, you are always ready to help your friends and adults around the school and have been a real asset, particularly in a difficult week.

Awarded 28/02/25

Class	Pupil (First Name)	Reason why a Bratton Bright Star
4G1 Academic	Nimrit	For excellent effort and group work during English, leading to an informative and well-written presentation about a Roman legionary.
4G1 Citizenship	Maheen	For being considerate and sensitive when others are speaking about things that are important to them.
4G2 Academic	Isla. D	For impressing Mrs Poole with her effort and hard work this week. Isla has also been confident answering questions in class to show her understanding.
4G2 Citizenship	Emily	For being a kind, caring and helpful member of our class. Emily is also a great role model showing our value of integrity. Well done!
501 Academic	Bobby	For making great efforts with your presentation. Your attention to detail has stood out this week.
501 Citizenship	Emma	For demonstrating excellent perseverance across all your work this week. Well done!
502 Academic	Alesha Mae	For showing greater independence during our maths lessons this week.
502 Citizenship	Dilan	For being an excellent team player during our P.E. lessons. Your cooperation with others has really shone through.
601 Academic	Isabelle	For her effort and perseverance within Maths - it is really showing in her great outcomes.
601 Citizenship	Henry	For being a kind, courteous and polite member of the class and school community at all times.
602 Academic	Thomas	For demonstrating an excellent attitude in Maths, showing determination in solving more challenging problems.
602 Citizenship	Malachy	For demonstrating kindness and consideration at all times whilst also showing great maturity and emotional resilience at many points this week.

Attendance and Punctuality

A graphic for 'Attendance and Punctuality' featuring the St Peter's Bratton Church of England Academy logo, a title box, a cartoon pencil character with 'ON POINT ATTENDANCE', a rabbit with a clock, and various cartoon illustrations of students.

Attendance and Punctuality

Free Time

3rd Place - 5mins
2nd Place - 10 mins
1st Place - 15 mins

Free Time

Extra 5 mins

Attendance- 28.02.25

Third place- 601 -98.85%

First Place- With 100%

3G2 and 502

**We have 4 classes with
no lates.**

Well done to...

2R2

R01

601

R02

House Points



4th place

Caer Caradoc
1151 house points!



3rd place

Stiperstones
1268 house points!



Haughmond

1528 house points!

2nd place



Wrekin

1619 house points!

1st place



St. Chad's Day

On Monday, a selection of pupils will be attending the first St. Chad's Day Trust Celebration Service which will be held at Lichfield Cathedral. All of the St. Chad's Trust (19 schools) will be represented and we will participate as a whole school via a YouTube link. This is a very prestigious and exciting event for us all as we come together as the family of St. Chad. As part of the ceremony, each school will present something for Bishop Michael to bless. This will then be displayed in our school. This week, some of the pupils who are not attending met with myself, Miss Crossland and Mr Wikes to design and make a cross. The final piece is absolutely stunning (the photographs do not do it justice). Thank you to all the children who had such unique and thoughtful ideas. They even included Mrs Pugh



Making the Cross



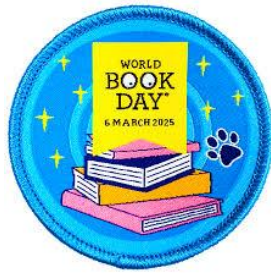
The Children who made the Cross



The Finished Product



World Book Day



World Book Day on Thursday 6th March. We are going to be reading 'The Day the Crayons Quit' therefore we are using colours as a theme.

Each year group has been allocated a colour as follows:

Year R: **Orange**

Year 1: **Yellow**

Year 2: **Red**

Year 3: **Pink**

Year 4: **Green**

Year 5: **Purple**

Year 6: **Blue**

On World Book Day, we would like the children to wear something to match their year group colour as above. Please share this information with any parents who you know may not access it through the newsletter.

We would also love to include you in our celebrations by coming along to share a book with your child in their classroom at either 8.45 to 9.15am or 2.45pm. Enter via the classroom doors. If you have multiple siblings within the school, you can gather in the study or pastoral room (am) and the hall (pm).

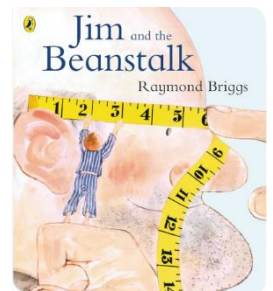
Whatever you are doing this weekend, make sure that you are truly appreciating time with your loved ones, enjoy the sunshine and I will see you all back here next week.

Mrs Welsh 😊

Year 1

English

We have started our new unit Jim and the beanstalk. We have enjoyed learning about the story, making predictions and differences and similarities between Jim and Jack and the beanstalk.



PE

Our unit this half term is Gymnastics. This week we began our unit by moving our bodies in different ways. The children moved high and low, fast and slow. We thought about animals that move in different ways. The children were excited to move fast like cheetahs and slow like turtles. The children have enjoyed discussing and sharing their ideas with the class.



Computing

We have been learning about how to keep ourselves safe online and how to treat others both online and offline. We discussed the importance of being kind to others both online and offline. The children enjoyed sharing how they play games using technology.



YEAR 2

This week, we delved into the enchanting world of "Baba Yaga" to enhance our writing skills. The children have been busy crafting detailed character descriptions, bringing the unique personalities of these characters to life with their words. They have also been exploring how to set a scene, using descriptive language to paint vivid pictures in the reader's mind. We even embarked on creating our own versions of the story, with a special emphasis on writing captivating openings to hook our readers.

Thursday 27th February
 To Write a Story Opening

Once upon a time lived a gossy cobbler with a beautiful girl called Olga who lived with her happy father. And when it's a sunny time they lay looking at the clouds. They also played catch me if you can. Olga had light brown freckles with an amazing smile. When it's winter they sit next to the fire place telling stories about a prince and a knight.

IT WAS A HAPPY TIME!

Thursday 27th February 2025
 Write a story opening

Once upon a time there was a nice girl named Olga. Olga had light brown eyes, pale skin, strawberry blonde hair and long curly brown hair freckles. Olga lived in a small cottage with her dad. Her dad was a real kind man who was always ready to play with Olga. Olga liked playing with her dad and also loved telling stories. Her house was always filled with joy and laughter.

Thursday 27th February
 Olga was happy because she played hide and seek with her dad. The dark secret was that her sister was Baba Yaga. The word curious means very angry. She was surprised because the house stood on chicken legs. Another word for angry is that gully. The head is got and ugly. They ran off together to help Yagorik have to get more work for Baba Yaga. Baba Yaga screamed because she was scared for death of Yagorik. The stepmother gnashed her teeth because she got angry. Baba Yaga felt curious.


Once upon a time behind the whispering woods there was a white cottage with a pond full of frogs. In that cottage there lived a kind nice girl called Olga. Olga's hair was a beautiful strawberry blonde. She had pretty blue eyes and her cheeks are rosy red which freckles all over them. She was always ready to play fun games with her father. They always played nicely together.

Wednesday February
 To describe how the other looks - write

The other has looked us by:


- long copper hair
- small bright point
- old wooden shoes
- old wooden marks
- red in complexion

When he enters think without telling them



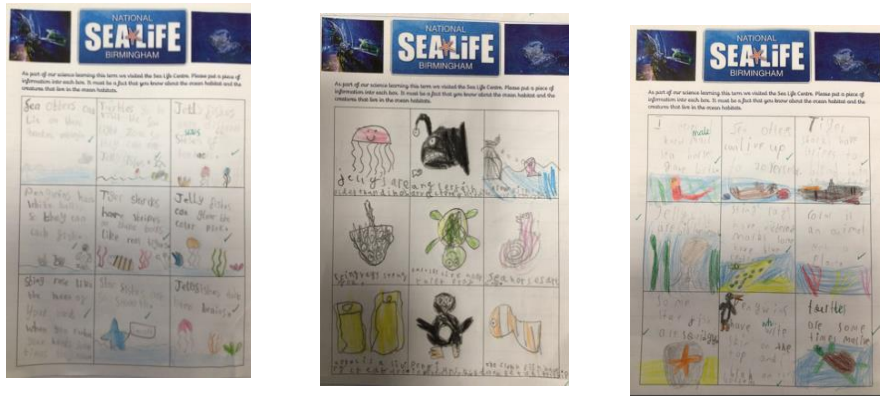
Thursday 6th February
 Look with a character picture

she has a long
 a pair of shoes



She is ugly
 She has
 a really small
 Baba Yaga is a very ugly
 person. She has a witchy
 She looks angry. She has
 a long nose. She has
 a black nose.

In science, we recapped our wonderful experience at the Sealife Centre. The children enjoyed creating colourful posters to showcase their learning and findings from the trip. It's clear to see the marvel of marine life has left a lasting impression on them.



We have also focused on learning to read and spell common exception words, a vital part of Year 2's curriculum. Earlier this week, we assessed the children against the statutory list of words. We will be sending any additional words your child is working on home in reading diaries. We kindly ask for your support in helping your child practise these words. We'll be testing these on a three-week cycle, in addition to the weekly spelling tests and once your child can confidently read and/or spell them, we will provide a new set of words for review. This consistent practice is key to ensuring all words are mastered.

Wraparound

The dates for Easter holiday club are now open on MCAS to book.

The dates are April 14th-17th and April 22nd-25th.

£25 per day.

Children need to bring with them their bottle, a healthy morning snack, food for lunch & an afternoon snack.

We have lots planned for Easter, including –

- Easter baking - lemon biscuits, hot cross buns, Jaffa cakes & more!
- Easter crafts & colouring.

- Lots of games – pass the parcel, Easter egg hunt & sleeping bunnies!
- Plenty of outdoor play including going down to the park and playing on bikes & scooters, which children are welcome to bring during holiday club!

Just a reminder that bookings cannot be refunded if your child is off school poorly as stated in our parental agreement, there is also a 7-day cancellation period, if you need to cancel a session and it's less than 7 days to the date you want to cancel then we are unable to cancel.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Friday 28 th February	Easter Holiday Club bookings open
w/c Monday 3 rd March	Learning conferences
Wednesday 5 th March	Year 4 visit – Wroxeter
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day
Tuesday 25 th March	Year 5 – Mayan Workshop
Friday 28 th March	Someone Special Day – Friends event
Monday 7 th April	Year 2 visit – Blists Hill
Wednesday 9 th April	Easter Service – All Saints Church – details to follow
Friday 11 th April	Decorate Egg competition & Easter raffle draw – Friends event
Monday 14 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 28 th April	Summer Term Starts
Monday 5 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 9 th May	Colour Run – Friends event
Monday 12 th – 15 th May	SATs weeks
Monday 26 th May	Half Term
Friday 27 th June	Sports Day & Family picnic – details to follow
Monday 7 th July	Transition Days – Meet New Teacher
Tuesday 8 th July	Transition Days – Meet New Teacher
Wednesday 9 th July	Year 6 Church Leavers Service – details to follow
Wednesday 9 th July	Meet the new teachers (3:30pm – 4:30pm)
Friday 11 th July	Summer Festival – Friends event
Thursday 17 th July	School Leavers Celebration – in school – details to follow
Friday 18 th July	End of term