

# NEWSLETTER

St Peter's
CE Primary School
Bratton

Friday 5th July 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

We reach the end of a very warm week! With only two weeks to go in the school year, they are looking very busy!

We have the fete next Friday, so I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

**Head Teacher** 

Thought for the week

Justice and judgment lie often a world apart.

Emmeline Pankhurst

Emily Pankhurst Day 14th July

#### **UPDATES AND INFORMATION**

#### **Parking**

We have received complaints again about car parking in the local area at drop off and collection times. Particularly around Whiteway Drive. Please can parents be aware not to block paths and driveways.

#### School Fund

Please find attached a copy of the audited accounts for St Peter's, Bratton school fund for your information.

#### Reports and new class days:

Reports will be released on MCAS on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Any problems accessing the reports, please get in touch with the school office.

Children will be spending the day with their teacher for September on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July. There are no changes to drop off or collection procedures on this day.

#### Staff update:

We say a very sad goodbye today to Mrs Sue Owen, one of our teaching assistants who has been with us at St Peter's for many years. Mrs Owen is taking up a new post with the NHS. We are very grateful for all her years of service to St Peter's; she will be missed.

#### We do have some other teaching staff changes coming up at the end of the term:

Mrs Ruth Boughey, who teaches Year 4 and is SENCO is taking early retirement at the end of the term. Although, she isn't leaving us completely just yet, as she will be covering the remainder of Mrs Wildgoose's maternity leave, part time, during the first part of the autumn term.

After 19 years, Mrs Zoe Ballard, who teachers in Year 3 is leaving us to take up a new post teaching in transition at Ercall Wood. This is a new post that Ercall Wood have created and Mrs Ballard will take all her primary expertise to it.

Mr Evans, who teaches Year 1 is leaving to take up a new post teaching at Condover School. Mr Evans has been with us 5 years and wants to now gain more experience in a different type of school.

Mrs Kath Jones (singing Mrs Jones for the avoidance of doubt), who teaches in Year 6 is leaving to take up a new post at St Mary's in South Shropshire. Mrs Jones recently moved to a new house and is going to reduce her 1 hour plus commute to a far more manageable level! She assures us that she will be checking up on choir regularly though and might make the occasional guest appearance!

#### Joining us in September, we have:

Miss Emma Plowman joins us as Assistant Head Teacher for Inclusion, Behaviour and Attitudes. Miss Plowman is currently SENCO at Aqueduct Primary in Telford.

Miss Laura Keane joins us as a teacher from Wrockwardine Juniors.

Miss Kelsey Badley joins our teaching team from outside Telford.

I know as the school community you will all welcome them to St Peter's.

All new staff joining St Peter's go through a stringent evaluation and vetting as part of the interview process and have thorough safer recruitment checks completed before taking up post.

#### **NSPCC PANTs campaign**

Next week our Safeguarding Squad will be presenting an assembly on the NSPCC PANTs underwear rule.

They will aim to teach our pupils the following important safety skills without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. They will be teaching our pupils the NSPCC's Underwear Rule, using the 'PANTS' acrostic, which is like a green cross code for staying safe from sexual abuse. PANTS stands for:

- \* Privates are private
- \* Always remember your body belongs to you
- \* No means no

- \* Talk about secrets that upset you
- \* Speak up, someone can help

The assembly will introduce a range of ideas, all delivered in a way that's fully age-appropriate. These include:

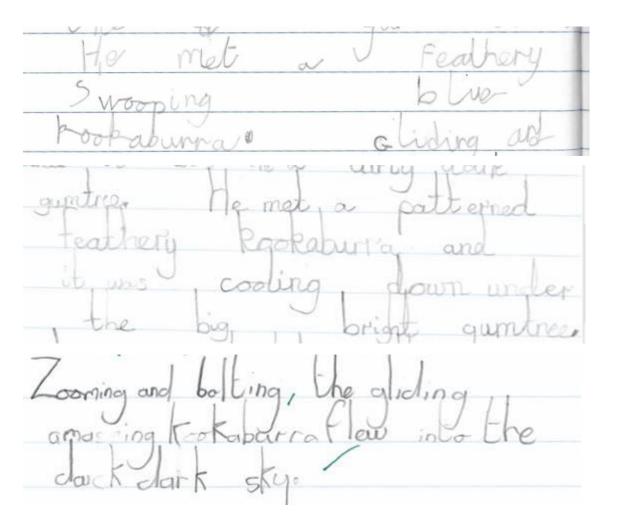
- \* "appropriate" and "inappropriate" touching
- \* your child's right to say no to things that make them feel upset or uncomfortable
- \* naming parts of the body
- \* who your child can turn to if they ever feel upset or worried.

If you would like to know more about the NSPCC's campaign and see how you can help keep your children safe in partnership with your child's school, more information can be found at nspcc.org.uk/underwear rule

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

#### **UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES**

In Year 1, we have been reading 'Wombat goes Walkabout' by Michael Morpurgo. We have focused on using adjectives to make our work more interesting. Here are 3 examples of sentences of when the wombat meets a kookaburra. We look forward to writing some more about the 'Wombat goes Walkabout'



#### **Crucial Crew 2019**

Last Friday, year 6 brought home the trophy as the winning team at the Crucial Crew event in Wellington for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year running. Points are awarded for engagement and behaviour. We received praise throughout the day for the children's behaviour and they all represented our school brilliantly. Well done to both classes as the winning team was a mixture of both 6W1 and 6W2. Two of our pupils were also chosen for their individual efforts- well done to Emily and Dara. The day was a great success and the children learnt some valuable life lessons that will help keep them safe as they move onto secondary school.





#### **SPORTS UPDATES**

#### **School Games Cycling Competition**

On Tuesday the  $2^{nd}$  of July, 4 children from year 6 competed in the school games cycling competition in Sundorne. There were 4 different events including the sprint and skills etc. Furthermore, there were 11 other teams that we competed against, the teams would consist of 4-8 people per community.

When we arrived at the event, we were lead to the hall for the opening ceremony. When we got there we were organized into teams and got given our rather snazzy matching purple t-shirts. After the speeches and the singing, we quickly went down to the cycling track.

As soon as we got to the cycle track, we were rushed into starting our first event which was the sprint. James and Evie battled it out against other schools to get the quickest time. After waiting a while, the next event was the skills. Isobel and Marissa competed in this and quickly realised how difficult it was. The next two events were the team events. Luckily, we won both of them which gave us an advantage in time. We are so glad we did this and finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Overall we very much enjoyed ourselves and we thank the people who gave us this spectacular opportunity. We also would like to thank Mrs White for taking us.

Written by Marissa Gardner, Isobel Martin, Evie Martin and James Hodgkiss.





## **Gymnastics Success**

Park Wrekin Gymnastics

Last weekend, Jessica in year 1 competed in a floor routine and the vault. She did superbly well and won  $1^{st}$  place. Well done Jessica.



### Year 5/6 Girls Crossbar Cup



On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July St Peter's girls football team went to Lilleshall sports centre to compete in a football tournament. There was 13 teams competing for the crossbar cup or plate and you had to play in the group stage before moving into the cup or plate. Our team consisted of Hollie (4S2), Cleo (5W2), Bailey (5W2), Caitlin (5W1), Harriet (6W2), Marissa (6W1), Mia (6W1) and Evie (6W1). After the group stages we all got together and found out that we placed 3<sup>rd</sup> which meant we went through to the plate quarter-finals; we then won that match which meant we were placed in the semi finals. Unfortunately we lost that match but we still had to play for third place. In the end we found out that we had come 3<sup>rd</sup> in the plate! The star player won a bag from showing how much effort and consideration to the other players, the person that won was Evie (6W1). We would like to thank Mr Addlington and Mrs Morphet for taking us and for putting up with our songs on the bus.

By Evie, Mia and Harriet (Year 6)

#### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Date	Event
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	School Fete
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Hopes and Fears Workshop Year 6 – details to follow
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Service in school Year 6 pupils and parents only – letter sent 5.7.19
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Service 10am St Peter's Church, Wrockwardine
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	End of term