



St Peter's CE Primary School

Bratton

NEWSLETTER

Friday 27th September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to begin the week sharing how proud I am of our Year 6 children. We took 61 children away to Arthog for the week and they have all tried new challenges, even when they've been unsure. They had a wonderful week. As part of the visit, all of them completed the John Muir Environmental Award Scheme. Visits like this are not possible without the support of families sending children, staff who go these visits and their families who cover for them whilst they are away – so a big thank you to all involved. You'll find some wonderful photos of the week on our Twitter feed.

For parents of children in 1E2 2E2 3S2 4S2 5W2 6W2, you are very welcome to join us at Wrockwardine church for Harvest next Friday at 1.30pm.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

Thought for the week:

3rd October National Poetry Day - Poetry is thoughts that breathe and words that burn. Thomas Gray

UPDATES AND INFORMATION:

Year 6 mobile phones

We would like to remind parents and children that St Peter's operates a no-mobile phone policy in school.

If your child in year 6, who you have stated is able to walk home on their own, brings a phone with them to school, they will need to hand their phone into the office each day.

This will keep the phone safe and ensure that it cannot be used in any way in school during the day.



The DFE have recently launched a campaign that provides parents with ideas and activities that can help you support and improve your child's communication skills from an early age. Please follow this link for more information.

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

Any feedback you have on this would be much appreciated.

Miss Plowman

Internet Safety

Please find attached an online safety resources document for your information.

Power Maths

We are adopting using *Power Maths* as part of our carefully designed maths curriculum.

What is Power Maths?

Power Maths is a resource that has been designed for UK schools based on research and extensive experience of teaching and learning around the world and here in the UK. It has been designed to support and challenge all pupils, and is built on the belief that EVERYONE can learn maths successfully.

Children have all been issued with a Power Maths practise book. Please do not purchase additional practice books for your children.

More information can be found in the attached letter from Mrs Lewis

Travel Assistance:

Telford and Wrekin Council are proposing changes to travel assistance to school, provided to some families. This is based on child age, distance from nearest school and provision of a safe walking route. There are also changes proposed to transport provision for a faith school preference.

You can find more information about the proposed changes and policies, and you can share your views by visiting www.telford.gov.uk/travelassistance . We are told the consultation runs until 15th November.

UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES:

Arthog newsletter

On Monday 16 September, 6W1 and 6W2 went to Arthog in Wales. We did lots of activities such as: Night time orienteering, gorge scrambling, kayaking, rock climbing, raft building, mountain walking and the night line etc.

Monday: A few of us were doing the Adam's Grammar and Newport Girls' tests whilst the rest of us were arriving at Arthog. We got ready for the week ahead of us. First of all we did orienteering after our lovely lunch. Then when the rest of us got back from the tests awaiting us was orienteering in the night. This included our torches and teamwork skills.

Tuesday: Some of us did different activities so this is the schedule for group 3. The first activity was gorge walking so we got ready by getting our waterproofs and wellies on. When we got in the gorge, our wellies filled up with water! We helped each other climb up the waterfalls. On our way to kayaking, we sang along to Radio 1. Once we got there, we were instructed on what to do. We got into our kayaks and started to paddle. For most of us, this was our favourite activity.

Wednesday: Today we did rock climbing by the beach. This was very difficult as we had to pull a rope to help the person on the rock climb up. After we finished this challenge we were allowed to search rock pools and swim in the sea. When we got back we were told that we were going to be doing raft building. To get ready we were taught how to tie a square knot. After we had got our raft in the water, we practised for the race against the other team. Eventually we got back to Arthog and did a night time photo search in partners.

Thursday: Today we woke up to get ready for the mountain walk all day. This was probably the most challenging activity we faced at Arthog. Climbing the 2nd biggest mountain (Cadair Idris) in Wales is tough. To end our day, we did a night line which is where you and your team hold onto a rope whilst guiding your friends through obstacles blind folded.

Friday: The last thing we did was plastic picking altogether on a nice, sandy beach. After we got ready for home, a tag with our school name on had been put on the board to show we had achieved the John Muir Award.

We were all sad when we had to leave Arthog but we were very glad to get home to our families. We had a brilliant time at Arthog and would like to thank our parents and teachers for letting us go!!

Thank you!

Written by Holly (6W1) and Morgan (6W2)



Year 3 Read-along Morning!

Many thanks to those parents who attended our read-along morning last week. We had a fab turn out and we were so pleased to have you come along and share a book with your children. We look forward to the next one.

Miss Keane and Miss Plowman



St Peter's Day

Last year as part of our annual St Peter's Day celebrations each child in school made a friendship bracelet. Over the summer these have been sewn together to form a fishing net of friendship. As a school we are all bound together in friendship and the net represents this. The net is now on display in the entrance foyer of school along with prayers written by each class on fish.



RE Ambassadors

This year within school we have RE ambassadors for the first time. Each class from years 1-6 have put forward someone they felt embodied the school values. This week we held our first meeting and are looking forward to taking on the challenge of this new role. Our first project is to plan and deliver a class assembly to our own classes.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Wednesday 2 nd October	Health and wellbeing meetings 9:15am-11:30am RO1 RO2 1E1 1E2 2E1 2E2 3S1 4S2 5W2 6W1 6W2 appointments only
Wednesday 2 nd October	Health and wellbeing meetings 3:30 – 4:30 all classes – appointments only
Thursday 3 rd October	Health and wellbeing meetings 9:15 – 11:30 3S2 5W1 appointments only
Thursday 3 rd October	Year 2 Author visit – details to follow
Thursday 3 rd October	Year 5 Author visit
Friday 4 th October	Harvest Festival St Peter's Church, Wrockwardine 1:30pm 1E2 2E2 3S2 4S2 5W2 6W2 – parents welcome
Tuesday 8 th October	Year 6 visit to Parliament
Thursday 10 th October	Hello Yellow! Children's Mental Health Fundraiser
Thursday 17 th October	Welcome service in school for new to school families 2pm – lead by Church
Monday 21 st October	Buddy's Big Workout NSPCC Event
Wednesday 23 rd October	Tea, toast and twitter for year 7 leavers
Thursday 24 th October	PD Day
Friday 25 th October	PD Day
Monday 28 th October	Half term

Friday 8 th November	NSPCC online safety parent workshop – details to follow
Monday 11 th November	Book Fair – details to follow
Tuesday 12 th November	Book Fair – details to follow
Wednesday 13 th November	Individual photographs
Thursday 14 th November	Open day for prospective families 10:00am and 1:30pm
Monday 18 th November	Year 2 Freshwater theatre in school – details to follow
Tuesday 19 th November	Year 5 Planetarium
Friday 22 nd November	Year 1 Blists Hill Visit
Monday 25 th November	Parent consultations – details to follow
Tuesday 26 th November	Parent consultations – details to follow
Wednesday 27 th November	Community Prayers 2pm
Friday 13 th December	Christmas jumper day
Tuesday 17 th December	Years 3-6 Carol service – All Saints Church Wellington – times to follow
Thursday 19 th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity – High Ercall Church – details to follow