



St Peter's CE Primary School

Bratton

NEWSLETTER

Friday 9th November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a great half-term. I think the rest has done all the children good. There has been lots of enthusiasm around school this week and I've seen some superb writing across school.

I'm aware that we've participated in a few charity events recently – such as NSPCC, Children in Need next Friday and this week you received information about Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child. We always question if we take part in events or not and we are very conscious to avoid putting additional financial pressure on parents. However, we know some people are very keen that we take up these opportunities. Please do not feel under any pressure to take part in the Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal. We'll happily collect in boxes and get them collected, but taking part is purely optional. I want to thank everyone for their massive generosity to the NSPCC. We have raised an amazing £2609 pounds. That's a great amount for a primary school and the children will find out what sort of support that buys during assembly this afternoon.

We said a sad goodbye to Mrs Boughey just before half-term. As most of you will be aware, Mrs Boughey planned to retire from her full time teaching and SENCO role with us at the end of August. But, stayed on part time to cover the end of Mrs Wildgoose's maternity leave. We want to thank Mrs Boughey for all her years of service and wish her a very happy retirement. Mrs Boughey will do some occasional supply work with us, but tells us she is already enjoying a well-earned rest!

This week we say welcome back to Mrs Wildgoose, who has returned from maternity leave. Mrs Wildgoose is job sharing with Mrs Jones in Year 4.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

Thought for the week:

11th-15th November Anti-Bullying Week - You never look good trying to make someone else look bad.

UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Buddy's Big Workout

On Monday 21st October we took part in Buddy's Big Workout to raise money for NSPCC. Our school target was to complete 1000 Bratton miles in the day.

The children were so enthusiastic that we were able to complete a huge **1254** miles during the day.

Thank you everybody for your generous sponsor money. We had 130 sponsor forms returned and raised a total of **£2609.36** to help other children to "speak out and stay safe".

Special congratulations to Aneel Khan in 6W2 who raised an amazing £176!

Well done everyone.



Molly and Bayley from 6W1 wanted to do something a little extra for the NSPCC over the weekend. They decided to do a cake stall to raise more money. This was a huge success. They made cupcakes and cookies.

Even in the pouring rain they carried on. They were very busy, so their friend Charlie came to help them.

In the end they raised £34.00 which has been added to the school total.

Well done for having the confidence and initiative to help others not so fortunate.





BBC Children in Need.

Friday 15th November

Please bring in £1 to wear spots to school on Friday 15th November to raise money for Children in Need.

We would also like to make a “spare change” Pudsey Bear on our playground. If you have any spare change that you would like to bring in please send it into class on the morning of Friday 15th November so we can make our whole school Pudsey.

Thank you,

School Council



SEND Parent and Carer coffee morning in school.

Date: Friday 15th November

Time: 9-10am

Venue: St. Peter's Primary



We will be hosting this in the Rainbow Room and will have speakers from behaviour support (BSAT) and SEND Information and Advice Service (IASS). Please come along and join us for a cuppa and a chat about SEND provision in our school!

From,

Miss Plowman and Mrs Woolley



Choir

Thank you to everyone who got their forms in so promptly. We are really excited that our places have now been confirmed and we are off to Young Voices 2020!

This week a couple of important emails have come out via parentmail with information about the ordering of audience tickets and T-shirt packages. On these there is a **fixed deadline of Friday 15th November**. After this date we cannot accept any more forms as we have to put in the whole choir order otherwise we will miss the Young Voices deadline.

Further information about songs and website links etc will be given to the children at choir next week but we wanted to give you as much time with the order forms as possible.

Thank you for your continued support of choir.

Miss Bulkeley-Jones

Book Fair

Book fair will be in school from Monday 18th November. Please see the attached letter for the dates and times for your children's class.

St. Peter's Activity Passport

We have taken inspiration from the National Trust – '50 things to do before you are 11 ¾' and the Department for Education 'Passport' Document to develop our own activity passport for St Peter's.

This passport will accompany your child as they make their journey throughout each year at St. Peter's. We feel that the range of experiences that these passports prompt will help to give each child a more rounded education and experience of the world. We also hope that you will enjoy joining in some activities which you may not have considered, or indeed participated in, since your own childhood.

Each term, we will suggest activities that we would like the children to complete at home and record in their passport. We will share these on the school newsletter as well as on the termly overviews for parents on our school website. We will also complete a range of activities at school.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to your children sharing their experiences with us in any way. They may wish to talk to us about their activity or create something to share.

The home activity suggestions for this term are:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Plant some bulbs and watch them grow	Look up at the stars on a clear night	Learn a poem off by heart	Skim a stone	Go stargazing	Plan and cook a meal	Find your way with a map
Make a mud creation	Skim a stone	Buy something and check the change	Light a candle	Go welly wandering	Go on nature walk at night	Go on a scavenger hunt
Take a photograph	Climb a huge hill	Go on a wintry adventure	Explore on wheels	Play conkers	Get up for sunrise	Discover wild animal clues

UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES

Year 2

Healthy Eating in Year 2

This week in year 2 we have been learning all about keeping healthy in PSHE. This has involved looking at our own teeth and identifying which ones our canines, molars and incisors are. We learnt about which jobs each tooth does. By the end of the session we moved on to trying lots of different fruits, making sure we described the texture and taste of each one. We all really enjoyed trying lots of new fruits, they tasted delicious! By the end of this half term we will have chosen some fruit, and then created our own fruit salad. We are all very excited.



Reception

Please see the attached Reception Newsletter for all the latest news from our reception classes.

Year 4

Year 4 Nurture Day



On Monday, Year 4 enjoyed a day full of outdoor adventures, thinking about how we could nurture ourselves and others. We travelled through the wardrobe and into the land of Narnia for a story time curled up with blankets, learned some new singing games and made bird feeders and bug hotels to help look after local wildlife. Thank you to parents for donations of lard and bird seed. We even squeezed in time for a science investigation into sound! What a busy but fun day!



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Monday 11 th November	Book Fair
Tuesday 12 th November	Book Fair
Wednesday 13 th November	Individual photographs
Wednesday 13 th November	Reception Reading Meeting
Thursday 14 th November	Open day for prospective families 10:00am and 1:30pm
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need
Monday 18 th November	Year 2 Freshwater theatre in school
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
Wednesday 27 th November	Year 2 Reading morning with parents – details to follow
Friday 13 th December	Christmas jumper day
Tuesday 17 th December	Years 3-6 Carol service – All Saints Church Wellington – 3S1, 4S1, 5W1, 6W1 10:00am 3S2, 4S2, 5W2, 6W2 1:30pm
Wednesday 18 th December	Reception Nativity – School 9:30am – details to follow
Wednesday 18 th December	Pupil Christmas Lunch
Thursday 19 th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity – High Ercall Church – details to follow
Friday 20 th December	Last day of term
Monday 6 th January	Spring term starts