

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School



We live and learn in the light of Christ!

Weekly Newsletter to Parents
Friday 21st July 2017

Week 39

This week we pray for these special people!



Goodbye Year 6, we wish you all the best at Secondary School.

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

With one last day to go on Monday, this will be my last newsletter of the year, I can't believe we're here again so soon. It is a time for celebration as the children complete another successful year, they've worked so hard all year and I thank them for all of their efforts. I'm so proud of them all! It is also a time of sadness as we say goodbye to some valued members of our school community. Year 6 are leaving for pastures new, Mrs Manion is retiring after 19 years of dedicated service here, Mrs Kelly leaves after 12 years, Mrs Barker, Mrs Upton, Miss Ryan, Mr Woods, Mr Farquharson and Miss Cooper are teachers who won't be here next year and Kole Morgan & Alfie Mateo are moving to new schools for September. We wish every one of them a fantastic future and we will miss them terribly. Goodbye and Good Luck.

What a lovely last Mass of the year by Year 4 on Thursday. It was great to see Year 2 & 3 getting their sacramental certificates and the Bibles for Year 3 which were paid for by the SPFA. I am really looking forward to the Year 6 Leavers Mass on Sunday, I will see you there at 10.30 am to give out your certificates and crosses (SPFA again).

Last Friday's Summer Fair was amazing!!! Thank you to everyone who helped organise and set up and to all of you for coming and supporting. We raised a fantastic £2475. Sports Day was also fantastic, thank you to everyone for turning up to cheer the children on and thank you to the staff for organising the children so well. Top job.

I wish all of you a fantastic summer break with your families and friends. Remember that the children start back on **Tuesday 5th September** and that we will be **closing at 2 pm every Friday** next year. Stay safe.

God Bless.

Monday 24th July will be Non-Uniform for £1.00 please. Thank you.



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TERM DATES

Term	Summer 2017	Autumn 2017	Spring 2018
New Term Begins	Monday 24th April	Monday 4th Sept	Monday 8th January
1st Half-Term Ends	Friday 26th May	Friday 20th October	Friday 16th February
2nd Half-Term Begins	Monday 5th June	Monday 30th October	Monday 26th February
Term Ends	Monday 24th July	Friday 22nd Dec	Thurs 29th March

SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(including standing orders)
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Reception	£8.87
Year 1	£16.00
Year 2	£27.25
Year 3	£7.00
Year 4	£10.00
Year 5	£19.37
Year 6	£8.06
Total	£95.55

School Fund can be paid weekly, monthly or termly. The suggested amount is **£1.00** per week. Thank you to all those parents who pay regularly in cash or by standing order. Thank you all for your support.

School Mobile Phone

Please use for urgent contact out of office hours (3.30 pm - 8.00 am):



07885 235 496

NEWS

We wish to keep you informed about school issues so please read the following information carefully.

- **Non-Uniform Day**—Monday 24th July for £1 so you don't need to wash or iron any uniform over the weekend. That's gotta be worth £1 contribution!
- **Thank you!!!** - A big thank you to all of you who have taken the time, effort and expense to buy any member of staff a gift for the end of the year. The staff and I really appreciate the generosity of the gesture and just want to say thank you for all of your support throughout the year. Take care.
- **Brownies 221st SS Peter & Paul RC Primary**— Mrs Pearce would like to thank all the Brownies and parents for the lovely evening last Monday on the last Brownie meeting at SS Peter & Paul. It was a lovely end to the 27 years that Mrs Pearce has run the pack.

- **100% Attendance**—A massive congratulations to the following children who have not missed any school time this academic year: Eloise Barrett, Mareena Biju, Amy Cleaver, Alice Cushion, James Healy, Eliza Hillier, Harry Jarvie, Caragh McEvilly, Elaine Nguyen, Rio Nicholson, Michael Owen, Daniel Plant, Lucy Santos, Sina Semere, Anthony Shi & Alicia Soeiro. What an amazing achievement, I am so proud of all of you for achieving 100% attendance. Keep up the good work!!!

- **Sports Day Winners**—This years Sports Afternoon was a great success! Each race is recorded and then we convert the results into a score for each house team. This years results are as follows:
 - St. Peter— 210
 - St. Paul— 203
 - Our Lady— 211
 - St. Joseph— 181

Congratulations to our Sports Day winners... Our Lady!!!

- **School Shoes**—Can I please remind everyone that **all** of our children are still expected to follow our School Uniform Policy and wear smart black shoes to school. Thank you to all of those children who do! Keep it up!
- **Affordable School Uniform**—School uniform to order ready for the new term in September. Telephone - 07392370662 or asu2012@hotmail.co.uk
- **Year 6 Leavers Mass**—On Sunday 23rd July at 10.30 am, our Year 6 pupils will be leading their last school Sunday Mass but it will be extra special as they receive their certificates for their Sacrament of Confirmation and a commemorative cross (Paid for by the SPFA). I look forward to seeing all of the parents and families there.
- **The Big Sleuth**—Our 'Spirit of Light' Bear is on display at Millennium Point!
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons next drop in session between 9.30 to 10.00 am will be Friday 15th September. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk, to book a session.
- **Year 6 End of School Activities**—As we move toward the end of the year there are some special events planned for Year 6 and their families so here are some dates for your diary...
 - * Sunday 23rd July - Leavers Mass @ 10.30 am

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Y6 Leavers Mass
Sunday 23rd July 2017 @ 10.30 am

Last day for pupils - Non-Uniform £1
Monday 24th July 2017

TRAINING DAYS

- Monday 4th September 2017
- Monday 8th January 2018
- Monday 16th April 2018
- Plus 2 more to be arranged

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday (3.15—4.15 pm)

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Tuesday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)

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Wednesday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)

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Thursday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)

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Friday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)

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SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Thank you to all who came to our Masses @ 9.15 am
The Whole School Community make it special.
Enjoy your Summer break. See you in September.



The details of our next school Mass will be in this newsletter each week. All parents, family members & Parish are invited to come and join our Mass celebration so please pop in if you have time to spare. See you soon.

THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL— People leaving SS Peter & Paul this year



Goodbye Mrs Barker, Mrs Upton, Miss Ryan, Mrs Manion, Mrs Kelly, Kole Morgan and Alfie Mateo. We have all been blessed to have you as part of the SS Peter & Paul school family. We are sad that you are leaving and wish you every success with your future adventures. Take care and may God always be with you to help and guide you along the right path. God bless.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Copies of the newsletter with a larger font are available in the School Reception for people with visual needs and on the school website.

www.ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk

Punctuality – School starts at 8.55 am and closes at 3.15 pm each day.

Punctuality is important to ensure a good school day for children and staff.

Security – Once children have been dropped off at school, they must not under any circumstances leave the school premises.

Pupil absence – If your child is absent from school please remember to **phone school before 9.30 am.** & send a note in when your child returns.

Uniform – Please ensure that **ALL** school uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Dinner money – *This has increased from 24th April and is now £2.25 per day (£11.25 per week).* Please make cheques payable to 'City of Birmingham School Meals'. Please send dinner money on a Monday in a **SEPARATE** envelope to all other monies.

School Dinners – If your child changes their meal pattern from School dinners to packed lunch or swap from pizza day to packed lunch we must insist

Thought for our Diocesan Virtues Summer 2 - Faith-Filled & Hopeful

Our pupils are taught that it is important to have **faith** in your own emotions and judgements and once we have faith we have **hope** in ourselves and those around us with decisions which will shape our future.
We live and learn in the light of Christ.

Riddle of the Week!!!

Q: What comes next in this sequence
JFMAMJJASON...?

(See Mr Porter with your answer to check if you're right!)

Last weeks answer was:

... It's called a window...

Prayer of the Week!!!

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O most Holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you and with sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and obedient to your will. Grant that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health in mind and body and send your blessing on all that I do.

Amen.

(A prayer to say together with your family)

Parish Events

SS Peter & Paul Weekend Masses

Saturday @ 5.15 pm.

Sunday @ 9 am & 10.30 am.

Parish Charity Golf Day

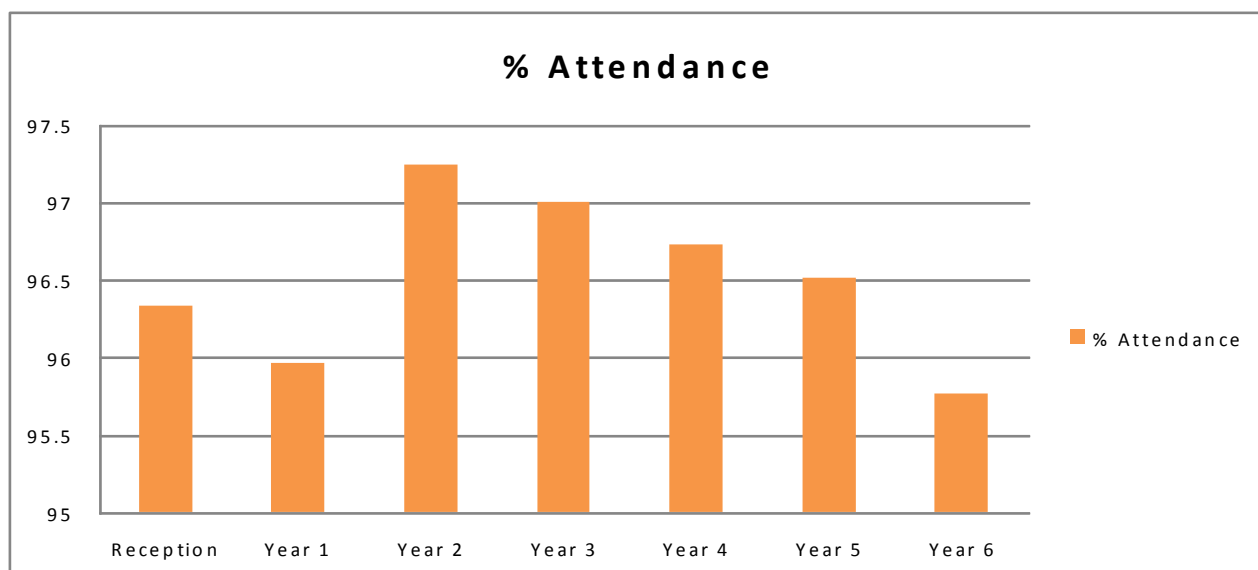
Thursday 20th July (£40.00 per person)

Summer Buffet & Barbeque

Sunday 23rd July @ 11.30 am (after 10.30 am Mass)

As a School and Parish community we should be supporting these events to make SS Peter & Paul a lively and thriving Parish, full of joy and community spirit.

Pupil Attendance for the Year 6th September 2016 to 20th July 2017 is 96.50%



Congratulations to Class 2 well done for their excellent attendance!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-

Gjavaun Johnson, Louis Olivier, Elaine Nguyen, Olivia Warnock, Freya Chessum, Joshua Floyd, Felicity Franklin, Lucy Kirby, Aleksandra Mosakowska, Jake Duke, Karol Baran, Oliver Wiggins, Igor Dobron, Rozalia Zakrzewska, Kayleigh Granner, Lexi Dickinson, Isabella Pulisciano, Eliza Hillier, Lily Woodbine, Harry Ashen, Alfie Hawkins, Finley O'Sullivan, Maciej Legawiec, Jessica Newson, Jonah Jacob, Gjaevian Johnson, Mercedes Nortey, Anthony Shi, Akeelah Jackson.



'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:-

- Reception — Whole Class
- Year 1 — Whole Class
- Year 2 — Whole Class
- Year 3 — Whole Class
- Year 4 — Whole Class
- Year 5 — Ewan McGlinchey
- Year 6 — Whole Class



House Points

Saint Peter	84
Saint Paul	38
Our Lady	95
Saint Joseph	47



Well done to Our Lady our winners.
Congratulations!!!
Summer Term Winner is St. Peter!!!

Stay Safe Online

E-Safety is very important! Do you know what your child is watching or doing on the internet?

Top Tips for staying safe online

You can report anyone who is being abusive to you online or via social media by contacting the police on www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/

Spanish Word of the Week

"Felices Vacaciones"

means... Happy holidays?



Leading Light Club

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Thank you for taking time to read our Newsletter.



SS Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School



Friday 7th July 2017

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you of the Governing Body's decision, following the consultation period, on the proposed changes to the school day timings for September 2017.

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who responded to the consultation letter in writing, giving your viewpoint and providing the valuable feedback that I needed to be as fully informed as possible so that I could give an accurate account to governors to help in the decision making process. Also, I would like to thank the parents who attended the open meeting to discuss the proposal, providing your views on the positive and negative aspects of the proposal and asking many important questions to give me 'food for thought' from a parents perspective. I found both the written responses and the meeting very important in this process, so thank you.

We have 175 families in our school and 210 children. Out of those 175 families, I had 62 responses in total. Out of those 62 responses, 48 were 'in favour' of the proposal or 'happy either way' and only 14 responses were 'against' the proposal.

The main issues raised and points that people were concerned about were:

- Those children who are slow eaters would be rushed to eat their lunch if dinner time was reduced by 5 minutes.
- Parents having to change their working hours to enable them to pick their child up at 2 pm on a Friday.
- Worries over childcare provision and additional costs.
- Curriculum coverage; are the children going to miss out on anything?
- A drop in attainment and academic standards as there is a slight reduction in the Junior timings.
- Changing the 'Celebration Assembly' time to the afternoon will mean some parents cannot attend.
- The quality of provision for the teaching of Music & PE if the expertise we currently pay for is removed.

All of the above points were discussed, at length, by the Governing Body of the school in a meeting this week. I am confident that all of these points raised can be addressed in a way that will please those with these concerns. I can assure parents there will be no drop in standards or quality of provision, no child will be rushed at lunch, the 'Celebration Assembly' may be changed but parents will be given plenty of notice to attend, no parent should have to change their working hours and any changes to childcare provision and costs will be minimal.

Following the discussion it has been decided that we will change the timings of the school day meaning that school will close at 2 pm on Friday, starting in September 2017.

I understand that this was not what everyone wanted and that some of you will be concerned but taking everything into consideration it was felt that this would be the best outcome for the school and for the majority of our parents.

If there are any parents with extenuating circumstances who cannot collect their child at 2 pm on a Friday, please contact me confidentially, to arrange a time to meet with me, to see if I can help in any way. Thanks again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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