

★ SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School ★

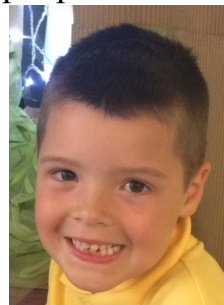


We live and learn in the light of Christ!

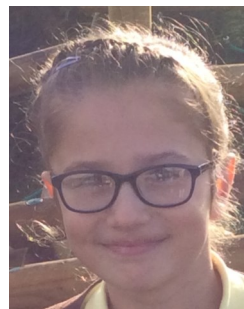
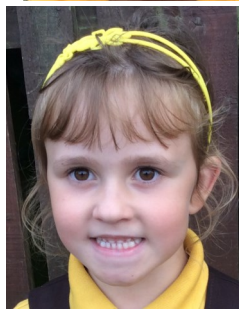
Weekly Newsletter to Parents
Friday 9th February 2018

Spring 1 - Week 20

This week we pray for these special people!



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TERM DATES

Term	Autumn 2017	Spring 2018	Summer 2018
New Term Begins	Monday 4th Sept	Monday 8th January	Monday 16th April
1st Half-Term Ends	Friday 20th October	Friday 16th February	Friday 25th May
2nd Half-Term Begins	Monday 30th October	Monday 26th February	Monday 4th June
Term Ends	Friday 22nd Dec	Thurs 29th March	Friday 20th July

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Following a busy start to the week with our Section 48 RE inspection, I would like to say a massive thank you to all of the staff, pupils, parents and governors who showed their support for our lovely school to the inspectors, ensuring they saw SS Peter & Paul at its best. Both inspectors passed comment on the excellent behaviour, readiness to learn, discipleship and articulate nature of our children; they were a credit to the school and their parents. It will take a few weeks for the official report to be released so I have to keep the outcome confidential until then. You will all receive a copy once it is released.



Neil Porter –
Head Teacher

The Whole School Mass on Tuesday was a beautifully spiritual experience, especially the singing and music. I say a big thank you to Mrs Seager, Mrs Oakley & Miss Gilliver for preparing the Year 6 children so well and a big thank you to Miss Weir for the lovely music and preparing the group of guitarists who performed so well.

Following a discussion with a few parents, I have taken the decision to open the junior and infant gates 5 minutes earlier in the morning to try to ease the congestion caused by the new gates. After half-term, the gates will be open at 8.40 am every morning, giving parents a ten minute window to drop children off. This may help those who are struggling to be on time for the 8.50 am start every day. Thank you to all those parents who ensure they get their children to school on time every day, it is very much appreciated.

Don't forget that the season of Lent starts this coming Wednesday and the school Mass for Ash Wednesday will be at 11.00 am, not 9.15 am as usual. The whole school will be going and you are all welcome too. Have a good weekend.

God Bless.

SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(now including standing orders)

Week 20

Reception	£7.00
Year 1	£11.62
Year 2	£17.50
Year 3	£30.75
Year 4	£6.00
Year 5	£7.00
Year 6	£15.00
Total	£94.87

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 next Friday 16th February**—The SPFA are organising a non-uniform day to celebrate St. Valentine's day so we invite everyone to wear something red next Friday for £1.00 to the SPFA fund.
- **Year 3 Parents First Holy Communion Workshop**—Unfortunately, I have had to postpone this workshop. It will now be held on Tuesday 24th April at 9.00 am in the school hall. I'm sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.
- **Lateness!!!** - Please can I remind parents that school **STARTS @ 8.50 am** so your child needs to be here before that time. So many children are late, costing valuable learning time. Please be on time for drop off and pick up.
- **West Midlands Police Safety Workshops**—In school, over the next month or so, we will be facilitating a series of workshops provided by the Police to help keep our children in Year 5 & 6 safe. These include: Internet Safety, Knife Crime, Anti-Social Behaviour and Road Safety (Y6 & Rec).
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons next drop in session between 9.30 to 10.00 am will be Friday 16th February 2018. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk, to book a session.
- **Affordable School Uniform**—School uniform can be ordered by contacting ASU Linda & Tony: Telephone - 07392370662 or asu2012@hotmail.co.uk
- **Ash Wednesday Mass**—There will be a whole school Mass on Wednesday 14th February for Ash Wednesday. Please make note that this special celebration of Mass is at **11.00 am**, not 9.15 am as we usually do. All are still welcome to attend as we begin the season of Lent. See you there.
- **Date for your diary**—Year 6 Leavers Disco has been booked for Friday 13th July 2018. More details will follow.
- **Year 3 & Year 6 Sacramental Enrolment Mass**—We will be having a joint Sacramental Enrolment Mass for Year 3 First Holy Communion and Year 6 Confirmation preparation this year on Sunday 4th March @ 9.30 am. This is a very important part of the Sacramental preparation, I look forward to seeing you all there.
- **World Book Day**—On Thursday 1st March we will be celebrating World Book Day! The children can dress up as their favourite book character for the day. There is also a special sponsored event we will be running to help raise money for books in school. More details will follow. Watch this space!
- **Erdington Leisure Centre**—During the up-coming February half-term break, Erdington Leisure Centre are offering 'Learn to Swim' crash courses for those children not confident in water. If you are interested to find out more please contact the leisure centre on 0121 516 5650.
- **Parents Evening Dates**—The next Parents Evenings will be on Wednesday 21st & Thursday 22nd March 2018 from 3.30 - 6.00 pm. Individual family times will be sent out after half-term.
- **Year 3 First Holy Communion**—The children of Year 3 will receive the body of Christ in the Sacrament of the Eucharist on Sunday 13th May 2018 at 9.30 am. More details will follow closer to the time.
- **Year 3 & 4 Dodgeball Team**—Well done to those children who represented our school on Thursday evening in the dodgeball tournament at Stockland Green Secondary School. They were brilliant, getting through to the semi-final but losing out in a close game. Thank you Miss Stansbie & Mr Moore!



SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Wednesday 14th February 2018 @ 11.00 am
Whole School Children & Families
Mass - Led by **Year 6**



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.

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Life Education Bus Workshops
Monday 12th February - KS1
Tuesday 13th February - KS2

Whole School Mass - Ash Wednesday
Wed 14th February @ 11.00 am

Non-Uniform Day wearing Red
Friday 16th February 2018

Y4 Class Assembly
Friday 16th February @ 9.00 am

Break Up for Half-Term
Friday 16th February @ 2.00 pm

Spring Term2 Starts - Return to School
Monday 26th February

World Book Day - Dressing Up
Thursday 1st March

Key Stage 1 Mass led by Year 2
Thursday 1st March @ 9.15 am

Y3 & Y6 Sacramental Enrolment Mass
Sunday 4th March @ 9.30 am

Key Stage 2 Mass led by Y5
Thursday 8th March @ 9.15 am

Y3 Parents Communion Workshop
Tuesday 24th April @ 9.00 am

TRAINING DAYS

- Monday 4th September 2017
- Friday 17th November 2017
- Monday 8th January 2018
- **Monday 16th April 2018**
- Plus 1 more to be arranged

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)

- Y5/6 Football Club
- Chess Club (12.30 - 12.55 pm)
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Tuesday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)

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Wednesday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)

- Y6 Running Club (12.00 - 12.30 pm)
- Irish Dancing (until 4.30 pm)
- Spanish Club (until 4.00 pm)
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Thursday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)

- Y3/4 Football Club
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This week in school... Reception RE lesson



Reception are learning how they can follow in the footsteps of our very special friend Jesus.

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 8.50 am and closes at 3.20 pm Monday to Thursday. Friday 8.50 am to 2.00 pm.

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 2017 and is £2.25 per day (£11.25 per wk).* 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 on half a terms notice. Thank you.

Thought for our Diocesan Virtues

Spring 1 - Curious and Active

Our pupils are taught to have a *curious* mind, to be engaged with the world by probing, seeking, challenging and questioning until the truth is clear. Only when you have all the information you need can you *actively* change things for the better.

Riddle of the Week!!!

Q: What goes through towns, around bends and over hills but never moves?

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

Last weeks answer was:
...by the pound of course...

Prayer of the Week!!!

Prayer for a family

O dear Jesus,
I humbly implore You to grant Your special graces to our family.
May our home be the shrine of peace, purity, love, labour and faith.
I beg You, dear Jesus, to protect and bless all of us, absent and present, living and dead. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(A prayer to say together with your family)

Parish Events

Parish Valentine's Irish Dance

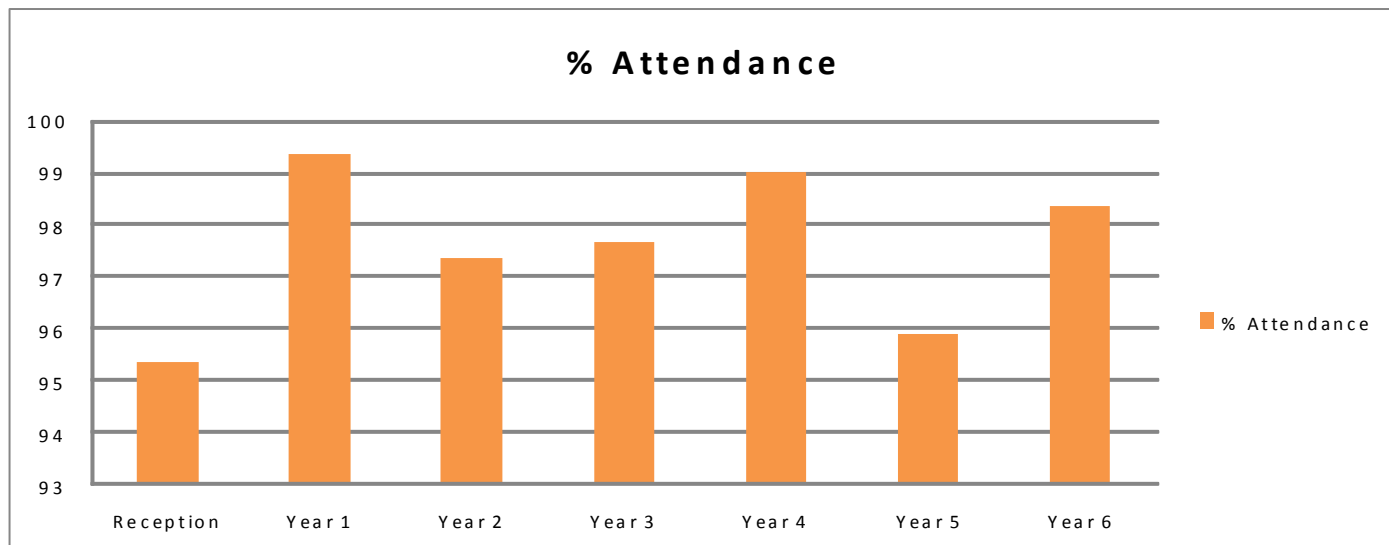
Friday 16th February 2018 @ 7.30 pm
Adults only. £5.00 per person

Parish Weekend Masses

Saturday @ 5.00 pm & Sunday @ 9.30 am
(All school Sunday Masses will be at 9.30 am)

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 term of 29th January 2018 to 2nd February 2018 is 97.55% (Week 19)



Congratulations to Year 1 well done for their excellent attendance.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-

Jaiy Leydon, Bobby Bricknell, Shelbie Fitzpatrick, Ernest Kuras, Lola Sullivan, Jacob Parkes, Michael McLoughlin.



'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:-

- **Reception — April Salari**
- **Year 1 — Sophie Doyle**
- **Year 2 — Imogen Tamplin**
- **Year 3 — Carter Hemming**
- **Year 4 — Amelia Kozlowska**
- **Year 5 — Libby Johnstone**
- **Year 6 — Whole Class for the wonderful Tuesday Mass**



House Points

Saint Peter	64
Saint Paul	135
Our Lady	91
Saint Joseph	136



**Well done to St. Joseph's our winners.
Congratulations!!!**

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

(Palabra de la semana)

"vivo en Inglaterra"

means... I live in England.



Leading Light Club

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**Thank you for taking time
to read our Newsletter.**



**SCHOOL PARENTS &
FAMILY ASSOCIATION**

S.P.F.A Page

Our SPFA will trial an 'Advertising Page' in each weeks school newsletter. Anyone with a small business or service to promote can pay the SPFA to put their advert on this page. For more information please contact:

Kristina Moore on 07950815868 or Kelly Thompson on 07938638541

The SPFA will be holding a non-uniform day next **Friday 16th February**. This is to celebrate St. Valentine's day so we invite everyone to wear something **red** next Friday for £1.00 to the SPFA fund. The target of £10,000 is looking ever more achievable and Mr Porter is in the process of trying to secure some additional funding to boost the pot which will go towards improving the infant playground. Thank you for your support.

**SPFA Bonus Ball Winner
£112.00
Friday 26th January 2018
Ball 34 - Mrs Tina Coll
Well done to you!!!**



SPFA Merchandise for sale—all profits going to the school... Everyday items that you can't live without!!!

Blinki Reflector lights £1.50. Trolley Coins £1. Mugs £3. Piggy Banks £4.
Wristbands (adult and child) £1.00

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SPFA Bonus Ball Draw Dates

January Friday 26th (4)	February Monday 26 th (4)	March Thursday 29 th May change if no assembly (5)	April Friday 27 th (4)
May Friday 25 th (4)	June Friday 29 th (5)	July Friday 27 th Recorded & Posted (4)	August Friday 31 st Recorded & Posted (5)
September Friday 28th (4)	October Friday 26 th (4)	November Friday 30 th (5)	December Friday 28 th (4)

*Dates may move
** Draws will take place during Celebration Assembly with the exception of July and August these draws will take place with two SPFA members