

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School



We live and learn in the light of Christ!

Weekly Newsletter to Parents
Friday 5th May 2017

Week 29

This week we pray for these special people!



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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	Tuesday 25th July	Friday 22nd Dec	Thurs 29th March

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

A short week following the Bank Holiday but at least we weren't closed for voting as well! I am glad that we were open as anytime away from school is valuable learning time missed. On this note, I am getting a lot of holiday requests at the moment... please make sure you do everything you can not to take a holiday during term time, your child's attendance is vitally important. Thank you to those who are always in school, on time, ready to learn. A great example.

May is the month of Our Lady so we remember her loving and caring ways and the sacrifice she made to be the mother of Our Lord Jesus throughout this special month. I'm looking forward to our May Procession Mass on Thursday 25th May which will be led by our First Holy Communion candidates. Remember to say Our Lady's special prayer everyday...

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

I am looking forward also to Year 2's Enrolment Mass for their Blessed Sacrament of Reconciliation this Sunday at 10.30 am. It is the start of the learning process where they begin to understand the need to say sorry if they don't always follow his ways, it is a very important step on their journey of faith individually but also for our school community so I will see you all there.

Keep Year 6 in your prayers for their SAT's next week!

No 'fidget spinners' in school please, they are starting to cause unnecessary problems! Thank you.

God Bless.



Neil Porter –
Head Teacher

SCHOOL FUND DONATIONS

(not including standing orders)

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Reception	£8.87
Year 1	£17.00
Year 2	£27.25
Year 3	£9.00
Year 4	£11.00
Year 5	£20.37
Year 6	£7.06
Total	£100.55

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.

- **Protect Erdington Schools Funding Meeting for Parents**—I'm sure you have seen in the news the proposed government budget cuts to education funding. This will have a direct impact on all schools but particularly schools in Erdington. I am part of a group of Erdington Head Teachers who are organising an information evening for parents to give a clear understanding of the implication this will have on the day to day running of our school. You are all invited to attend: St. Edmund Campion Secondary School on Thursday 11th May @ 7 pm. I hope to see you there. See flyer attached.
- **SPFA Talent Show Final**—Tonight, in the Hollyfields Club at 7.30 pm, it is the Talent Show Final, this promises to be another fantastic event with some amazingly talented acts performing before the DJ helps finish the night off with a disco. Tickets are still available (Contact Kristina Moore on 07950815868). Thank you to everyone who supported Non-Uniform today.
- **Year 6 PGL Residential**—Our annual weekend residential is planned for the end of June but there are still a number of parents who still need to send in the rest of the balance. Please make the payment asap. Thank you.
- **School Meal Increase**— Unfortunately the City Council have increased the cost of school meals from 1st April to £2.25 per day (£11.25 per week). We have implemented the change with effect from 25th April 2017. Dinners for week commencing 2nd May (Tuesday to Friday) will cost £9.00.
- **SPFA Meeting**—The SPFA meeting to start planning the Summer Fair is now taking place on Monday 8th May at 7 pm. Remember, all are welcome as we look for fresh ideas and bags of enthusiasm. Get your thinking hats on. Hope to see you there. The date I have provisionally booked for Summer Fair is Friday 14th July...???
- **Teacher Training Day**—School will be closed to pupils on Wednesday 17th May so that the school staff can undertake training.
- **Year 4 & 5 Football Team Final**—Good luck to the boys who are playing in the Birmingham School's Football Association 7-a-side final at Bodymoor Heath today at 4.30 pm. You've done brilliantly to get this far, lets hope you can win it. We're all behind you!
- **May Procession Mass**—On Thursday 25th May @ 9.15 am Mass we will be having our May Procession in honour of Our Lady which will be led by our Year 3 First Holy Communion children. As always, all are welcome and the children are invited to bring flowers to be placed at the foot of Our Lady's grotto. Please can I ask that you take the flowers out of the wrapping so that they are ready to go straight into the buckets. Thank you.
- **SENCO**—Mrs Calvert-Lyons next drop in session between 9.30 to 10.00 am will be Friday 5th May. Please phone the school office or e-mail:- senco@ssptrpl.bham.sch.uk, to book a session.
- **Sacramental Preparation Meeting/Workshop for Parents**— Important information is given at this event so please make every effort to attend:
 - Y2 Parents Reconciliation Workshop—Thursday 8th June @ 9 am
- **Affordable School Uniform**—Contact 07392370662 or e-mail asu2012@hotmail.co.uk .

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Y2 Reconciliation Enrolment Mass
Sunday 7th May 2017 @ 10.30 am

Y6 SAT's Week 2017
Monday 8th to Thursday 11th May

SPFA Meeting - Summer Fair Planning
Monday 8th May @ 7.00 pm

Teacher Training Day—**School Closed**
Wednesday 17th May 2017

Y3 First Holy Communion Sacrament
Sunday 21st May 2017 @ 10.30 am

Reception Class Assembly
Friday 26th May 2017 @ 9.00 am

Y2 Reconciliation Parents Workshop
Thursday 8th June 2017 @ 9.00 am

Spanish Day
Monday 26th June 2017

Y2 Sacrament of Reconciliation
Tuesday 27th June 2017 @ 6.00 pm

SS Peter & Paul Feast Day Mass - Y6
Thursday 29th June 2017 @ 9.15 am

Y6 PGL Residential
Friday 30th June to Monday 3rd July

TRAINING DAYS

- **Monday 24th April 2017**
- **Wednesday 17th May 2017**
- Plus one other to be arranged

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday (3.15—4.15 pm)
- Y3 & 4 Football Club

Tuesday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)
- Y5 Multi-Skills

Wednesday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)
- Y1 Multi-Skills
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Thursday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)
- Y2 Multi-Skills
- Y5 & 6 Football Club
- School Choir (3.15 - 4.00 pm)

Friday (3.15 - 4.15 pm)
- Irish Dancing Club (3.15 - 4.30 pm)
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SS Peter & Paul School Mass Times

Thursday 11th May 2017 @ 9.15 am
Key Stage 1 Children & Families
Led by **Year 1**



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— Y5 & 6 Guitarists in Mass



I was immensely proud of our Year 5 & 6 guitarists this week as they showed off their God-given talents to support the music in Mass on Thursday. Well done **Veronica, Matthew, Luke and Daniel** for working so hard during your lessons, practising so much at home and for being brave enough to play in front of the whole school and parish. A big thank you to Miss Weir for all of her hard work teaching the guitar and for playing at Mass for us this week, you're a star! If anyone else wants to learn the guitar, please contact school and we'll see if we can help.

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 1 - Compassionate & Loving

Our pupils are taught that it is important to be **Compassionate** towards others, near and far, especially those less fortunate; and **loving** by their just actions and forgiving words.

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Riddle of the Week!!!

Q: A monkey, a squirrel, and a bird are racing to the top of a coconut tree. Who will get the banana first?

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

Last weeks answer was:

... put a 'g' in front and it's gone!

Prayer of the Week!!!

Nurses Prayer

Dear Lord, please give me strength,
To face the day ahead.
please give me courage,
As I approach each hurting bed.
please give me wisdom
With every word I speak.
please give me patience,
As I comfort the sick and weak.
Please give me assurance,
As the day slips into night.
That I have done the best I can,
That I have done what's right. Amen.
(A prayer to say together with your family)

Parish Events

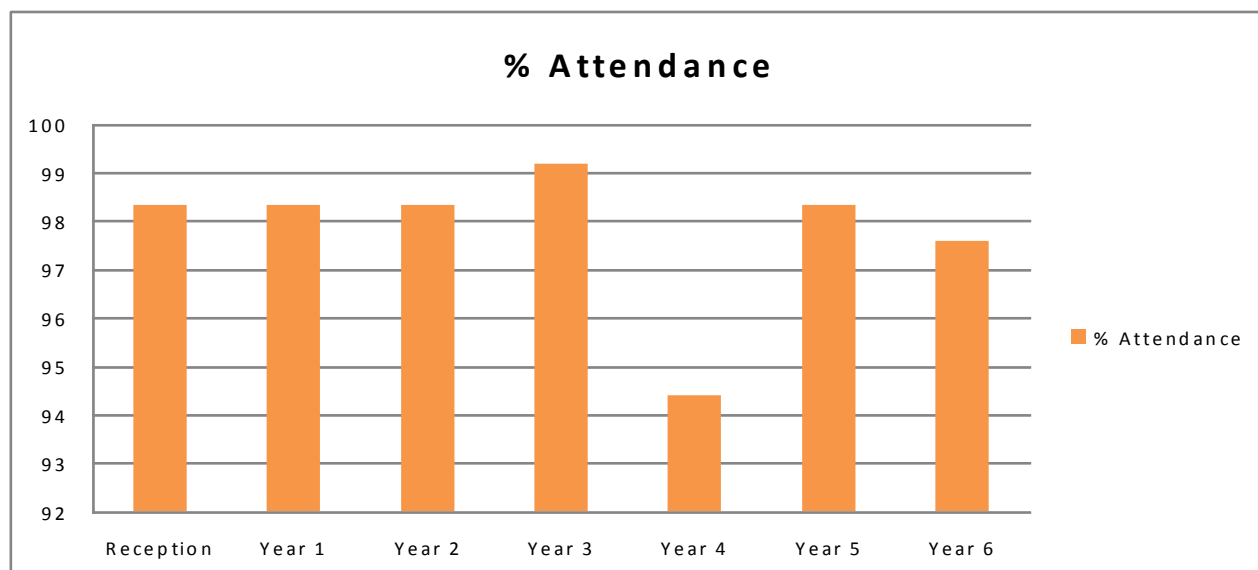
SS Peter & Paul Weekend Masses

Saturday @ 5.15 pm.

Sunday @ 9 am & 10.30 am.

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 week of 25th April to 28th April is 97.80%



Congratulations to 3 Class well done for their excellent attendance!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We wish the following children a very Happy Birthday:-

**Rio Nicholson, Jakub Rog, Adelaide Chessum, Julia Hara,
Kieran Smith-O'Donnell.**



'STAR OF THE WEEK'

Congratulations to these children awarded Star of the Week:-

- **Reception — Alfie Mateo**
- **Year 1 — Gjaevian Johnson**
- **Year 2 — Louis Player**
- **Year 3 — David Smith**
- **Year 4 — Libby Johnstone**
- **Year 5 — Archie Moore**
- **Year 6 — Veronica Okon**



House Points

Saint Peter	124
Saint Paul	79
Our Lady	43
Saint Joseph	75



**Well done to St Peter our winners.
Congratulations!!!**

Stay Safe Online

E-Safety is very important!

Do you know what your child is watching on the internet?

Top Tips for staying safe online

6. Never open a file you have been sent that you do not recognise or are not expecting. It could be something inappropriate or a virus that will damage your device.

Spanish Word of the Week

"Quiero un café con leche"

means... I would like a white coffee.

Thank you for taking time to read our Newsletter.

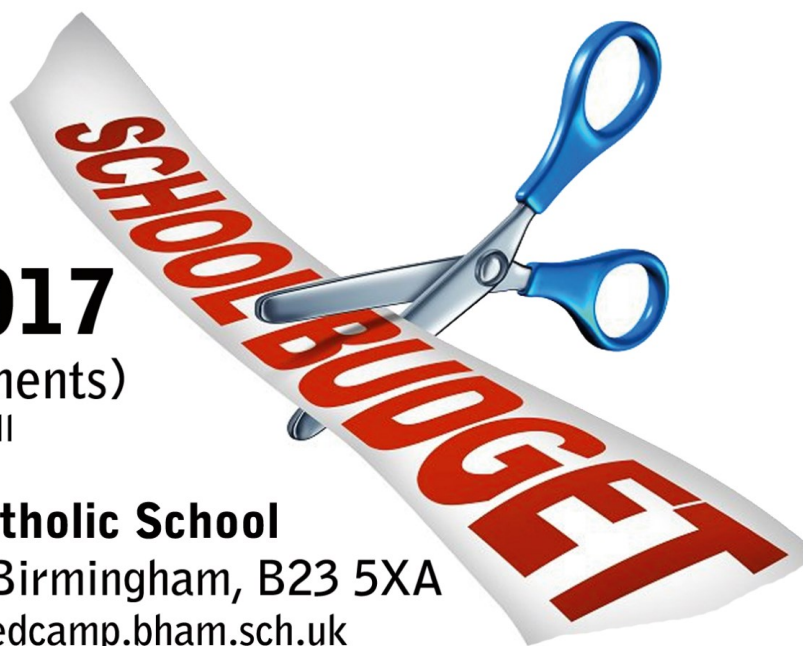


Cash cuts 'threaten school standards', say MPs

THURSDAY 11th MAY 2017

7pm (6.30pm refreshments)
Father Michael Knight School Hall

St Edmund Campion Catholic School
Sutton Road, Erdington, Birmingham, B23 5XA
0121 464 7700 enquiry@stedcamp.bham.sch.uk



Protect Erdington Schools Funding Meeting for Parents

Representatives from the National teaching unions will be in attendance as well as local party political candidates who will be available at the end to answer questions regarding this most important of issues

Unions urge parents to turn education cuts into election battleground

Birmingham headteachers launch last-ditch appeal against £20m funding cut for city schools

UK schools will soon be feeling the impact of an estimated £3bn shortfall in the education budget, but how much is your school set to lose?

'Schools are in jeopardy': teachers renew funding plea in run-up to polls

Birmingham school makes day 30 minutes shorter because of education funding cuts

