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Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL YEAR 2023-2024 – NEWSLETTER NO 11

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to these children who received the Star of the Week Award from their class teachers over the last weeks of term. They have been working hard and displaying the right attitudes and values of the school, including being Ready, Respectful and Safe. You can also find their picture on the school's website.



Friday 23rd February

BOOKS AT BEDTIME



Our books at bedtime was another wonderful event! Children returned to school on Friday 2nd February in their pyjamas and with a favourite cuddly toy. We split off into classrooms and read a variety of stories in a wonderfully cosy place. Afterwards everyone was given hot chocolate and biscuits by our fantastic Friends of St Peter's School. What a wonderful evening!

CHINESE NEW YEAR THEME MENU



"10/10 – very delicious!"



*"It's yummy!,
nice flavours"*



*"there is a good contrast
between spicy and sweet"*



*"the food is good &
it's nice to have
something different"*

MOSQUE VISIT



Year 1 and Year 2 had a fantastic time visiting the Hazrat Bilal Mosque in Bristol. We learned a lot about the religion of Islam including about the 5 pillars of Islam. We also went on a tour around the mosque and saw the different prayer rooms and wash rooms. It was a brilliant visit!

ROMAN BATHS – YEAR 3 & 4

We went to the education centre at the Roman Baths first.

In the cellar, we used a trowels and brushes to unearth replica Roman things like a real archaeologist. We also used an Ipad to find out about stones used for building, made a brick archway and put together a picture of a temple decoration.

After that, we went to a classroom where we dressed as Romans. We wore a tunic, toga and palla. The palla is a type of headscarf that keeps the sun off your head.

We also looked at real artefacts, these are from Roman times and are primary sources. We then looked at replicas which are copies, so are secondary sources. I touched a chimney stone and a strigil which was used to scrape sweat and oil off of bodies. Gladiator sweat was sold as face moisturiser. Urgh!

After lunch, we walked around the Baths themselves, they are dedicated to the Goddess of wisdom, Minerva. They are really low in the ground and the water comes from a hot spring from deep underground.

Romans would bathe and chat there, they didn't mind being naked around each other. We also tasted the water that had been cleaned and it had a weird metal taste.



PANDAS BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



The ongoing viability of the club continues to be in a very precarious position and we urge you to make use of the clubs to ensure they can continue running in the future.

In our last survey several parents indicated that they intended to start using the club or book more sessions however this has not yet shown an increase in numbers. PLEASE USE THIS FACILITY OR IT IS AT RISK OF CLOSURE.

WISDOM HOME DISCUSSION SHEET

This term's theme for our Collective Worship is Wisdom. We have attached the home discussion sheet for you to read through and talk to your child/ren about the themes within it. As you know the theme runs throughout the term and we will also be looking at Tolerance within our British Values.

FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT



Friday the 1st we are hosting a family quiz night 6-8 to raise fund for the school.

The quiz will be hosted by our one and only quiz master Mr BM and caters for all ages. Hot food will be available to buy on the night all you need to do is bring your quizzing brains and a bottle, it is Friday after all!!

Entry is £1 per person and there will also be a raffle on the night.

All proceeds raised go to Friends of St Peter's who provide financial support to the school to purchase equipment and subsidise school trips, a valuable income that we use to enhance the children's education with us. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Friends of St Peter's will be selling tickets outside the school next week, otherwise you can purchase from reception

Go on, gather a team, bring the kids, enjoy some food and drink all for £1!

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOK FAIR

We will be holding a Scholastic travelling book fair at school from Monday 11th March to Friday 18th March. You will have the opportunity to buy books at amazing prices every day after school in the hall. There will be an option to pay by card or cash.



COMIC RELIEF –MARCH 15TH

Red Nose Day will be held on Friday 15 March. The theme this year is 'Do something funny for money' so we would like the child to come to school dressed in odd clothing items e.g. wearing shorts, a pyjama top, swimming hat and goggles.

We will not be selling red noses at school this year. You will be able to purchase them through Amazon and Sainsbury's.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Each week we monitor the attendance of the whole school. These are the average attendance figures for the school year so far for each year group –

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| Reception | 91.5 |
| Year 1 | 96.2 |
| Year 2 | 95.9 |
| Year 3 | 93.8 |
| Year 4 | 95.4 |
| Year 5 | 97.1 |
| Year 6 | 95.4 |

SCHOOL CALENDAR



The school website is packed with information and should be the first place you should visit if you are looking for dates or times. The School calendar is updated regularly with times and dates of important events for your children – please check this regularly for updates.

<https://www.stpetersprimary.co.uk/calendar/?calid=1&pid=3&viewid=1>

SINGING SQUARE INVITATION

At the end of each term the children take part in our Singing Square. From this term we invite parents of different year groups into listen and watch the children sing. Our next invite will be to Year 3 and 4 parents to join us at 2.40pm on Thursday 28th March. We look forward to seeing you then.

Best wishes



Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

COMMUNICATION SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE

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| Parents evening | Everyone | email |
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DIARY DATES 2023/24

TERM 3

Term 4

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| Monday 19 February | Start of Term 4 for all children Year 3 (& year 6 catch up) swimming for 2 weeks |
| Friday 1 March | School cross country championships |
| Monday 4 March | NCMP – Reception children |
| Monday 11 March | Parents Evening 3.40pm – 7.00pm Scholastic travelling book fair all week in the hall after school |
| Wednesday 13 March | Parents Evening 3.40pm – 7.00pm |
| Friday 15 March | Comic Relief Day |
| Thursday 28 March | Singing square invite for Year 3 and 4 parents to join in the Hall at 2.40pm FOSP Easter Egg hunt 3.20pm End of Term 4 |

Term 5

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| Monday 15 th March | Start of Term 5 for all children |
| Friday 24 th May | End of Term 5 |

Term dates for 2023/24

| Term | Starts | Ends |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Term 2 | Monday 30 October 2023 | Friday 15 December 2023 |
| Term 3 | Tuesday 2 January 2024 | Friday 9 February 2024 |
| Term 4 | Monday 19 February 2024 | Thursday 28 March 2024 |
| Term 5 | Monday 15 April 2024 | Friday 24 May 2024 |
| Term 6 | Monday 3 June 2024 | Tuesday 23 July 2024 |
| INSET DAYS confirmed | Monday 3 June 2024 Tuesday 4 June 2024 | |

Term dates for 2024/25

| Term | Starts | Ends |
|------------|---|-------------------------|
| Term 1 | Monday 2 September 2024 | Friday 25 October 2024 |
| Term 2 | Monday 4 November 2024 | Friday 20 December 2024 |
| Term 3 | Monday 6 January 2025 | Friday 14 February 2025 |
| Term 4 | Monday 24 February 2025 | Friday 4 April 2025 |
| Term 5 | Tuesday 22 April 2025 | Friday 23 May 2025 |
| Term 6 | Monday 2 June 2025 | Tuesday 22 July 2025 |
| INSET DAYS | Monday 2 September 2024 Monday 2 June 2025 Plus 3 other dates to be confirmed | |

Term 4 Clubs

| CLUB | DAY | TIME | RUN BY | WHO FOR? | HOW TO SIGN UP | COST | STARTS | ENDS |
|----------------|----------|---------------------------------|---|-----------|---|----------------------|--|------------|
| Dance | Monday | After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm | Bristol Sports | Yr1 - Yr6 | Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers | see poster | 19/02/2024 | 25/03/2024 |
| Nerf Wars | Tuesday | After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm | Bristol Sports | Yr1 - Yr6 | Sign up directly with Bristol Sports - info on the flyers | see poster | 20/02/2024 | 26/03/2024 |
| Lets Make Art! | Friday | After school 3.20pm - 4.30pm | Lets Make Art! | Everyone | Sign up directly with Lets Make Art - info on the flyer | see poster | 23/02/2024 | 22/03/2024 |
| Kickboxing | Thursday | 6pm-7pm Kids 7pm-8pm Adults | Bristol freestyle Kickboxing (not affiliated with the school) | Everyone | Turn up at school for 6pm and pay each week | £4 kids £5 adults | runs every Thursday (throughout the holidays aswell) - follow the FB group for updates | |

* BRISTOL SPORTS ARE NOW OFFERING A SIBLING DISCOUNT OF 25%, CALL THEM ON 0117 963 0683 TO BOOK.



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