





Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary & Nursery School 'With Christ in our hearts, together we grow'

Headteachers Message



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. This week reception children have had their 2nd week of bikeability. Year 2 and Year 5 have been practising for their Easter Passion plays, which I am sure you are all excited and looking forward to watching. On Thursday some of the Year 6 pupils played in the Catholic Primary School Football Festival at St Bernard's Preparatory which you will hear all about below. Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend.

God Bless.

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School starts at 8:55am (Nursery 8.45am and 12.15pm), gates will be shut promptly. Please ensure children are in class in plenty of time. Please pick your child up promptly at the end of the day at 3.10pm (KS1) or 3:15pm (KS2)

Children should not be on the school grounds before 8:30am under any circumstances.

The school does not take responsibility for children who are on the school grounds before 8:3am.

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary and Nursery School has a commitment to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.



Easter raffle

We are preparing for our Easter fundraiser to raise much needed funds for our school. To achieve this we will be holding an Easter Egg raffle. All monies raised will go

towards the purchase of new resources to support the children's learning in various curriculum areas including ICT. If you feel that you would be able to donate an Easter eggs (any size), then please send your donations into the main school office on the KS2 site.

May we remind parents that any donation must be nut free. We would like to assure parents that no chocolate prizes will be given to any nut allergy sufferers without parental consent and an alternative prize would be provided. Raffle tickets will be on sale from Monday 19th March at £1 per strip. Children will be able to purchase tickets from the prefects who will go to each class to sell tickets during the school day or at lunch time. Tickets can also be purchased from the school office. The draw will take place during assembly on **Wednesday 28th March**. Thank you in advance.

REMINDER: Easter Art Competition



The school will be having an Easter Art Competition this year. All artwork must be the children's own work and to be completed at home. The closing date is **Friday 23rd March** and Father Andy will be in school on **Thursday 26th April**

when he will judge the artwork. There will be a winner per year group and overall winner.



Our Lady of Peace were delighted to send a team from Year 6 to the Catholic Schools football festival this week. The team enjoyed a great afternoon at St Bernard's Preparatory playing 5 matches in total and treated to snacks

afterwards. They won 2 games including a 5-0 win! The boys played in the correct spirit of the game and were a real credit to the school all afternoon.



Bikeability

Bikeability is today's cycle training programme. It's like cycling proficiency, but better! It's about gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle on today's roads. Bikeability gives everyone the skills and confidence for all kinds of cycling.



On Thursday 8th February the Reception children started their four week Bikeability session which they really enjoyed. The excitement was infectious when they arrived back in class and they can't wait until the next one!

Year 2 Easter Passion Play

Year 2 are delighted to be sharing with you their retelling of the Easter story in their concert 'The Easter Passion'. The children have been working so hard to put together a dramatic version of the story to remind us all about this very special time in our Church's year. We hope you can all join us on **Wednesday 21st March** in the KS1 hall to share in our solemn remembrance of Jesus' death, but also our celebration of His rising. **Doors open at 2pm to start at 2.15pm.**

Year 5 Easter Passion Play



We hope you can join us on either **Monday 26th March at 2pm** or **Tuesday 27th March at 6pm** to share Year 5's performance of The Passion. The pupils have been working hard to present The Easter Story through drama and music. We are sure you will enjoy the wonderful singing and performance of this very special event in our Church's year.

REMINDER: Eschool Logins

If you have been given a new login for eschools, could you please keep the details safe as you will need them again in the year.

Art Supplies

We would like to ask parents if they would like to donate to school any unwanted art supplies that you might have for our lunchtime art club, such as pens, pencils, crayons, wool, pipe cleaners, felt, material etc. and also any appropriate complete board games and puzzles. Thank you.

Cafod give it up appeal



As you know, our school supports CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development. With CAFOD, we believe that poverty is not part of God's plan and that, as a Catholic Community, we should not give up on the world's poorest people. Therefore, as part of

CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal, we are challenging our pupils to give it up this Lent - to give up something they like and donate the saved money to help build a better world. Each class has been given the challenge to raise just £33 over this lent period and by doing so will pay for fresh water for a family in need. Money raised between 13 February and 12 May 2018 will be doubled by the UK Government, up to a total of £5m, making double the difference.

Every little bit helps so by just giving up on that one packet of biscuits could help donate £1. We wecome coins of all sizes and when a class reaches their target they will receive a 'tap' to put on their class door to show they have succeeded. Thank you for supporting your children in their efforts to reach out to the world's poorest communities.

REMINDER: Headlice

There have been cases of headlice within the school. Every family needs to comb each member's hair daily, with the special combs, for at least a week so that we can clear the infestation. Advice may be obtained from your local chemist on what medication to use. Medication only needs to be used if there are actually live lice in the hair. If only eggs are found then only wet combing is sufficient.

One of our children have lost their coat, it is a NEXT NAVY BLUE BOYS COAT WITH ORANGE INTERIOR, REFLECTORS ON HOOD AND BACK WITH FUR AROUND THE COLLAR. THE NAME OF THE CHILD CAN BE FOUND IN THE COLLAR. We would be grateful if you would check your child's coat, in case they have mistakenly taken the wrong one. Many thanks.



Do these glasses look familiar? If so please collect from the KS1 office. Thank you.

Marie Curie—The Great Daffodil Appeal



Thank you to all the children who have bought a daffodil for the Marie Curie charity. The daffodils are still available to buy.

Parents Evenings and Parent Questionnaires

Many thanks to everyone who attended the parents evening over the past two weeks and for completing the parent questionnaires. If you did not fill in a questionnaire, an electronic copy is attached and a paper copy is available from the school office. Please return the questionnaire by Tuesday 27th March.

Please find attached the following communications and information

- **⇒** Church Bulletin
- **Parent Questionnaire**
- ⇒ Music Club

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted Him, and I am helped.

Psalm 28: 7



KS2 Pupil of the Week

St Clare	Aliyah Ifill	For being such a pleasure to teach in all areas of the curriculum. A valuable member of 3SB, who is always willing to participate in class discussion.
St Peter	Immanuel Quaye	For trying really hard to work independently and making good progress in reading.
St John Bosco	Rosie McGrory	For making a tremendous effort to do her best in all subjects. Having a beautiful smile and always being helpful.
St Columba	Holly Hesketh	For always trying her best and producing work at a high standard.
St Blaise	Grace Taborelli	For amazing effort and concentration in lessons and helping others.
St Paul	Benjamin Clarke	For making excellent progress in Maths and working really hard this term, persevering even when given challenging problems to solve.
St Maximilian	Bailey-Mai Payne	For working very hard at improving her spellings.
St Ethelbert	Adam Pychner	For writing an interesting flashback, and for showing great enthusiasm towards his work.
St Dunstan	Ellie Southall	For consistently working hard in all subjects, always contributing to class discussions.
St Joseph	Kye Manton	For settling in extremely well. Kye works hard in every lesson and is a pleasure to have in class.
St Brigid	Evelina Paniulaityte	For showing a really positive attitude since joining the school. Always working to the best of her abilities and growing in confidence every day.
St Cuthbert	Lilly Amir	For making very good progress in her writing over the last couple of weeks.

Well done to you all!

KS1 Star of the Week

RNG St Valentine	Karin Janot	For her fantastic attitude to learning.
RHM St John	Victoria Gurbowicz-Ong	For her great independent segmenting and writing.
REH St Francis	Alexej Bristow	For his great phonics and reading.
1GK St Bernadette	Mia Strydom	For consistently working hard and making excellent progress in all areas of the curriculum.
1EK St Jude	Michael Bejmert	For improving his attitude to learning in all areas of the curriculum.
1MB St Teresa	Arabella Smith	For her great improvement in reading and writing.
2JB St Christopher	Oscar Suarez	For working really hard to project his voice during our Easter Concert Rehearsals.
2KS St Thomas- Moore	Kamsi Isi	For learning her lines so well for our Easter concert and using such an impressive loud voice!
2DN St Mary- Magdalene	Ella Jassar	For being a kind and helpful member of the class and for donating her £1 coin given to her by the Tooth Fairy for CAFOD.

Well done to you all!

Local Parishes Mass Times

Holy Redeemer Parish	Wexham Road, Slough,	Sunday – 9am and 11am
Holy Family Catholic Parish	226 Trelawney Avenue, Langley, Slough, SL3 7UD	Saturday – 5:30pm Sunday – 9:30am, 11:15am and 6:30pm
Our Lady of Peace The Presbytery	Lower Britwell Road, Slough, SL2 2NL	Saturday – 6pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday – 9:45am
St Andrew's Shared Church	Washington Drive, Slough, SL1 5RE	Sunday – 11.30am
St Anthony's RC Church	Farnham Road, Slough, SL2 3AE	Saturday – 6pm Sunday – 10:30am
St Ethelbert's Catholic Church	Wellington Street, Slough, Berkshire, SL1 1XU	Saturday – 9.30am Sunday – 9am, 11am and 6:30pm

Useful Dates for Your Diary—2018

19/03/18	Y4 trip to The Living rainforest
19/03/18	Last lesson—Monday's Ballet Class
21/03/18	Last lesson—Wednesday's Ballet Class
21/03/18	Year 2 Easter Passion Play at 2:15pm (KS1 Hall)
23/03/18	Year 1 St Teresa's Class Collective Worship at 2:30pm
	Year 3 St John Bosco Class Collective Worship at 2:30pm
26/03/18	Year 5 Easter Passion Play at 2pm (KS2 Hall)
27/03/18	Yr5 Easter Passion Play at 6pm (KS2 Hall)
27/03/18	SEN Parent Consultation Meeting
28/03/18	Easter Egg Raffle
29/03/18	End of term—School Closes at 1:15pm
30/03/18	EASTER HOLIDAYS
16/04/18	Start of Summer term
20/04/18	Year 3 Trip—The Verulamium

Attendance of the Week—(12th March—16th March 2018)



Year band	Percentage
Nursery	92.0%
Reception	94.0%
Year 1	83.5%
Year 2	93.1%
Year 3	96.2%
Year 4	95.6%
Year 5	95.3%
Year 6	94.0%



KS2 Class of the Week is

3 St Clare

KS1 Class of the Week is

St Teresa (1MB)

99.3%

Well Done 1MB on being class of the week for the second week Well Done Year 3!

Whole school attendance percentage

<u>95.04%</u>

Well done to you all

<u>98.6%</u>

The whole school attendance should be 95% or higher on a regular week. All children should aim for an attendance of 98-100% though as a school we do recognise that children may become unwell so will be absent from school.