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*School starts at 9am (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)*

*Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary
and Nursery School has a commit-
ment to safeguarding and promoting
the welfare of children.*



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

Dear Parents/Carer.

Mrs O'Keeffe was delighted to have had the opportunity to spend some time with Bishop Peter last week and attended a special mass with all of the head teachers from the Diocese. Bishop Peter sends his best wishes and love to all of the children, parents and staff of the school and wanted to say a personal thanks to all staff for their hard work and continued commitment.



Wellbeing Evening

There is a Wellbeing Evening planned on Wednesday 17th May at 7pm-9pm. If you are interested in a stall or therapy room please let the school office know. More details will follow soon.

Nuts and Chewing Gum

It has come to our attention that some children are chewing gum on the school site and during school hours, under no circumstances should chewing gum be brought onto school premises.

There has also been some evidence of food wrappers which contains nuts on the playground. Please can we remind you again that nuts are not permitted in school under any circumstances.

Mothers day presents

Due to time restrictions and lack of donations, we will not be able to sell mother day presents this month. Many thanks to those who have donated, we will use those donations for the Easter raffle.

Easter raffle

We are preparing for our Easter fundraiser to raise much needed funds for our school. This year we are holding an Easter Egg raffle. All money raised will be going towards the purchase of new resources to support the children's learning in various curriculum areas.

If you feel that you would be able to donate one or two Easter eggs (any size), then please send your donations into the main school office (KS2 site).

We would like to 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 can be provided.

Raffle tickets will be on sale from Monday 13th March and will be £1 per strip. Children are able to purchase tickets from the prefects who will be coming round to sell the tickets during the school day or at lunch time. Tickets are also for sale at the school office.

Draw a Rose competition

To celebrate St. George's Day on 23rd April, Squire's Garden Centres are inviting local school children to draw or paint a rose. It can be any colour or style, and the designs can be done at home. **The best ones chosen by Squire's will win a rose plant for their school and one for their garden at home!**

Please see attached letter regarding the competition.

Parents Evening—Year 6 Only

Discounted SATs revision books will be on sale during parents evening for Year 6 pupils only. Please see Miss Downer in the school hall either Monday or Wednesday evening to purchase your books. Prices start from £3.00.

Mass for Sister Mary Stevens

There will be a Mass to celebrate the life of Sister Mary Stevens at St Bernard's convent on the 2nd May 2017 at 6pm. All welcome.

Church Bulletin

Please see the attachment for this week's Church Bulletin.

Living Eggs project - Nursery, reception and Year 1 only

Please see the attachment for the Living eggs project for Nursery, reception and Year 1.

Free School Meals

Help your school and yourself - claim free school meals

Taking up free school meals has benefits for everyone:

- children get a healthy nutritious meal
- schools can benefit directly by receiving £1300 for each eligible primary school child

FAMILIES ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS COULD SAVE MORE THAN £400 PER CHILD PER YEAR

WHO QUALIFIES FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Free school meals are offered to children of families who receive:

- Income support
- Income Based Jobseeker Allowance (IBJSA)
- Employment & Support Allowance (Income Related) (ESA(IR))
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (TC602) - if you have a yearly income of **less than £16,190** and **do not** get working tax credit, then your child/children are entitled to free school meals
- Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit (M1000 Award Notice)

HOW TO APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

If you think you qualify for free school meals and have an email address or mobile number then you can apply through Slough Boroughs Councils online [free school meals form](#). Slough Borough Council will then inform you if your application is successful or not.

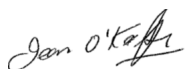
If you do not have an email address or a mobile number then you can get a 'free school meals' application form from your child's/children's school. The school will then inform you if your application is successful or not.

Not claiming benefits, but have a child in reception, Year 1 and Year 2?

There are clear advantages in pupils having a school dinner, so the Government have announced that every child in the above year groups will be eligible for a free meal under the Universal Free School Meals scheme.

You can [apply online](#) or pick up a registration form from your child's school.

Best regards and have a restful weekend.



Mrs J O'Keeffe
Headteacher

"A person who gives to others will get richer. Whoever helps others will himself be helped."

Proverbs 11:25

Attendance of the Week(w/e 10th March 2017)

<u>Year band</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Nursery	88.0%
Reception	94.1%
Year 1	95.0%
Year 2	96.0%
Year 3	96.0%
Year 4	96.0%
Year 5	96.0%
Year 6	95.0%

Well done to 4 St Paul for 100% for the whole week !

Useful Dates for Your Diary

Monday 13th March	Nursery (AM) Parents evening at 3:30pm –6:30pm
Wednesday 15th March	Nursery (PM) Parents evening at 3:30pm –6:30pm
Monday 13th March	Year 5 & 6 Parents evening at 3:30pm –6:30pm
Wednesday 15th March	Year 5 & 6 Parents evening at 3:30pm –6:30pm
Friday 17th March	Year 3 St Clare Assembly at 2:30pm—(Parents invited)
Wednesday 22nd March	All Year 2—Year Two Easter Story, parents welcome to attend (KS1 Hall) at 2.30pm.
Tuesday 28th March	SEN Parent Evening—3:30pm –5pm
Wednesday 29th March	All Year 5—Passion Play at 2pm (Parents invited) - KS2 Hall
Wednesday 29th March	Easter egg Raffle—More details to follow
Thursday 30th March	All Year 5—Passion Play at 6pm (Parents invited) - KS2 Hall
Thursday 30 th March	Nursery End of Lenten Term
Friday 31 st March	Lenten Term Ends (1.15pm)
Tuesday 18 th April	Pentecost Term Begins
Monday 1 st May	Bank Holiday
29 th May–2 nd June	Pentecost Half Term

Special Days

Friday 17th March	St Patrick , Patron of Ireland
Monday 20th March	St Joseph
Saturday 25th march	Annunciation of the Lord
Sunday 26th March	Mother's day

KS1 Star Of the Week—w/e 10th March 2017

<i>R St Francis</i>	<i>Eva Spraggon</i>	<i>For trying very hard with your reading</i>
<i>1MB St Teresa</i>	<i>Ugo Eze</i>	<i>For great improvement in all areas of your work and super behaviour</i>
<i>2DN St Thomas Moore</i>	<i>Lucas Passos</i>	<i>For always giving 100% effort in every piece of work you complete.</i>

KS2 Pupil Of the Week

St Clare	Abhi Veeturi	For producing some excellent RE work for our assessment this week. You always give 100% in all you do in class. An example to all. Well done Abhi, keep it up.
St Peter	Mishon Martin	For good manners and fantastic contribution in RE lessons. Keep it up!
St John Bosco	Keira Webster	For excellent participation in class and her willingness to share her creative ideas with the class.
St Columba	Ellie Southall	For always participating in class discussions, offering insightful and intelligent comments. You always work hard in all your lessons and going the extra mile whenever you can.
St Blaise	Bailey-Mai Payne	For fantastic confidence and progress in swimming.
St Paul	Matylda Kochanskak	For always producing a good standard of work and for being a polite member of class
St Maximilian	Nishant	For good participation in talk for writing and has grown in confidence when participating in lessons.
St Ethelbert	Kyle Gibson	For your hard work in all subjects and improvement in presentation. Keep up the good work.
St Dunstan	Zahra Gidda	For always giving 100% effort with a smile. Always happy to help around the classroom and is beginning to consistently produce greater work. Well done!
St Joseph	Oskar Kado	This term, we have been studying the lives of children during World War Two. In English this week, Oskar wrote a very detailed and imaginative letter from an evacuee to his parents back in London. Well, Oskar!
St Brigid	Jennifer de Souza Ahmad	For improving her focus and trying hard to finish her work on time. Well done!
St Cuthbert	Theo Hudson	For showing patience and understanding of others. He has also developed a lovely, joined cursive script in handwriting sessions. Well done!