

ST PETER'S C OF E (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL

HALF TERM NEWSLETTER

Thursday 28th March 2019

Dear Parents,

I hope you are all looking forward to Easter break and will enjoy your celebrations when Easter weekend arrives.

I am pleased to tell you that the staff on maternity leave have had their babies. Mrs Barton had baby James, Ms Burrows had baby Finlay and Mrs Smallwood had baby Luka. All are doing very well and we send them our congratulations

Class News

Nursery The children have been learning about pets and how to look after them and enjoyed lots of stories about animals such as The Owl Babies. The children have made a lovely vet surgery and have been busy making all the animals better too.

Reception The children have enjoyed lots of stories about penguins and had a visit to Lotherton hall to see real penguins and watch them feed and swim.

Year One Children also made up their own versions of traditional tales such as the Three Little Pigs in English and shared a lovely assembly telling the story through action and songs.

Year Two Children have really enjoyed their topic about Katie Morag and her home on a Scottish Island. They have made maps and paintings and written lots of letters.

Year Three The children joined year 4 for the annual Pancake Races on Shrove Tuesday at Leeds Minster and had lots of fun. They became Roman soldiers for a day at Murton Park as part of their history topic too.

Year Four Children enjoyed a trip to Temple Newsam as part of their history topic about the Tudors recently and learned about the Tudor family who lived there. In science they had a visitor who led a sound workshop and brought lots of different types of instruments with him.

Year Five Pupils attended a workshop at Moortown Baptist Church about Lent and Easter. They also enjoyed a visit from their pen pal friends from Ripon Cathedral School. It was lovely for the children to meet each other after exchanging letters. Children experienced being a detective at Abbey House Museum as part of their history topic. They also had a session with the Into University group where they explored all about what university is.

Year Six As part of their topic about World War Two the children have been writing about the life on an evacuee and have produced some excellent diary entries. They had different visitors in to talk about World War Two.



Other News

World Book Week This half term the children read lots of books on the Bug Club website and have written their own stories for a writing competition in school. Their efforts were brilliant and one of our governors, Mr Walbank, read all the entries before awarding the finalists prizes in a special assembly. You can read all the winning stories via the website Pobble, where our children's work is published. (Search under St Peter's C of E). Children in KS2 enjoyed workshops with the author Ruth Easton, as part of book week too.

Parent's Evening It was good to see so many parents at meetings this week. We hope you found them useful in helping you support your child's progress. Our school council organised another book fair which helped to raise money for new books in school. Many thanks to our two parent governors for taking the time to come and gather the opinions of parents.

Holy Week Key stage two pupils will lead our Easter Service on Thursday 8th April at 2pm and families are welcome to join us.

Lent Fundraising You will be aware that we are busy raising money during Lent to support two charities. This year's charities have been chosen by our school council.

Young Minds This charity works around the country with children to teach about mental health and provide support and advice for children who have mental health issues. As we are teaching our pupils about this subject, through our Mindmate lessons, it links very well with school.

Burmantofts Senior Action This local charity is based in our local area and supports elderly people to keep independent and prevent loneliness.

Children in key stage two have been busy raising money through bun sales, raffles and competitions and have done a brilliant job so far. Key stage one will do the same after Easter.

Football Our team continue their league fixtures and have played the following schools so far: St Patrick's, St Paul's, Bankside and Corpus Christie. Well done to all the team for their enthusiasm and for making it through to being in second place in the league.

Summer Uniform After the Easter break girls will be allowed to wear summer dresses in blue and white and polo shirts and boys may wear shorts and polo shirts.

Maths Problem Solving Children have engaged in maths problem solving activities this week in school and have really enjoyed working in groups and using lots of maths equipment to carry out maths investigations.

Mindmate Children in all classes have been engaging in Mindmate sessions which explore how they feel and support their understanding of mental health. Our school council also discussed the issue and prepared a short video showing their thoughts.

Safeguarding Keeping children safe is extremely important to our school. If you have any concerns about the safety of a child or would like to discuss any safeguarding issues with us please talk to our Designated Safeguarding Leads Miss Parry, Mrs Swailes and Mrs Holliday.

Gold Award

All children who receive certificates each week will have their picture displayed in the entrance hall. Their achievements are also recorded in the gold book. Do feel free to come in and look at the achiever's notice board. Below is a list of achievers for this half term.

Key Stage One

Mussie Tekeste	Melody Forkuo	Hermela Kesete	Lakeisha Akorley	Samuel Achew
Phares Hagos	Hussain Ahmed	Peniel Kidane	Lucas Keflemariam	Isaac Weldedlesa
Tinaye Mutungamin	Chideraa Ezeokoki	Goodluck Edenene	Naomi Weres	Reception
Seyi Olaiyi	Misael Samiel	Clecia Pereira	Sophia Fisseha	Lily Harris-Stephen
Natan Abadi	Noah Henok	Micaiah Hagos	Ebony-Rae Henry	Joshua Ankomah-Serebour
Aaron Michael	Dagmawi Negash	Pearl Mfobin	Shalom Berakate	Class 1
Aaliyah Kurian	Britney Ahao	Betty Teklit		

Key Stage Two

Hermela Tefferi	Shemiah Majoni	Destiny Anunobi	Joel Omondi	Ashley Mfobin
Marcus Mijeres	Danya Michael	Negeena Ghafari	Grace Tedros	Class 3
Remell Pennant	Ella Mason	Tayvia Grey	Jason Bravo	Ja'Neeko Frederick
Leona Dasta	Mary Tesfay	Elianna Michael	Ike Alabi	Bereket Tefere
Alice Mason	Abigail Kidane	Nuftalem Siyum	Class 5	Sami Suliman
Ladi Solaru	Elta Mulubrhan	Mercy Amanuel	Seth Solomon	Riley Harris-Stephen
Rebka Yonas	Class 6	Lilly Elias	Class 4	Deryck Manyanda



CONGRATULATIONS



Forthcoming Events

These events will be coming up over the next half term and you will receive more information about them nearer the time

Date	Event
Friday 29th March	BREAK UP for Easter Holiday
Monday 15th April	SCHOOL-RE OPENS - NO clubs in school this week except for morning groups
Tuesday 16 th - Thursday 18 th April	Class 4 residential to Lineham Farm Final Robinwood payment for class 6 Offer day for reception school places
Thursday 18 th April	Easter service at school 2pm
Friday 19 th April	SCHOOL CLOSED - GOOD FRIDAY
Monday 22 nd April	SCHOOL CLOSED
Wednesday 24 TH April	Wednesday Worship Class 5 trip to Herd Farm
Monday 29 th April	Netball match against Harehills Primary
Wednesday 1 st May	Sponsored walk at Roundhay park
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday SCHOOL CLOSED
Wednesday 8 th May	Class 4 Assembly
Thursday 9 th May	Year 5 Into University trip
Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SATs week
Tuesday 14 th May	Reception trip to Skelton grange
Monday 20 th - Wednesday 22 nd May	Class 6 residential trip to Robinwood
Wednesday 22 nd May	Wednesday Worship
Thursday 23 rd May	Football Tournament
Friday 24 th May	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
Monday 3 rd June	SCHOOL RE-OPENS

I hope you have a very happy Easter break and look forward to seeing you on **Monday 15th April**.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E.J.Holliday
Headteacher



