

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

HALF TERM NEWSLETTER

Friday 25 October 2019

Dear Parents,

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Class News

Nursery Children have been learning all about themselves and their families this half term. They have been on an autumn walk and made some lovely pictures from the things that they have found.

Reception The children have been very busy settling into their class over the half term and are now starting to get into school routines. They have been reading lots of stories about Percy the Park Keeper and his animal friends as part of their autumn topic. They have started learning numbers 1-8 and the names of different shapes.

Year One Children enjoyed a trip to Temple Newsam as part of their art topic on portraits. As part of RE they visited Leeds Minster to watch a Baptism and learn about what happens and why.

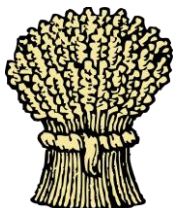
Year Two Children in year two have been learning about toys and have compared old and new toys. They will visit the toy museum next half term. As part of their science topic they have identified lots of materials around school.

Year Three Children have made a great start to their swimming lessons too. Class 3 led our Harvest celebration about Caring and Sharing and made a beautiful bread Harvest sheath for each class.

Year Four The children have enjoyed learning about Ancient Egypt in history. They have settled back to swimming really well and are making excellent progress.

Year Five As part of their topic on planets the children visited a planetarium in school and experienced what it would be like to see the planets in space. They also attended an interesting day called God and the Big Bang at Leeds Minster where they explored the way science and faith work together.

Year Six Children have been writing biographies about famous stars and celebrities and have produced some excellent writing. As part of Black History Month, the children shared a super assembly based on a range of different black role models and inventors. They made great progress with their cycling skills during their Bikeability sessions. Last week they enjoyed a river study at Bolton Abbey.



Clubs

Football Weekly sessions continue to be well attended and the football team have been entered into the football association league again. They have a number of games planned this term and we will keep you up to date with their results.

Netball Club Children in year 5 and 6 are learning the skills of netball and Miss Potter and Mrs Vickers have joined a netball league so that the children will be able to play games against other schools.

Prayer Group Mrs Nicholl has started prayer group on a Tuesday morning with year 6 and children are sharing and leading prayers. Please feel free to come and add prayers into the prayer box in school and we will share them each Friday in assembly.

Tag Rugby Children in class 4 are enjoying a lunchtime club to learn the basics of rugby through a lunchtime session each week. They are keeping fit and we are very grateful that Bridge Community Church are letting us use their pitch.

Other News

Attendance Our attendance so far this year is lower than usual at 96.5% - we really would like to see this improve in the coming half term. In November there will be a competition between local schools to get the best attendance. We have won this for the last 3 years and are keen to do so again. We need every child in school every day during November!

Transition Meetings These meetings for parents of Reception and Years 1, 3, 5 & 6 were really well attended this year. Please see the class teachers at the end of the day if there is anything you are unsure about. I hope you found the information about the classes useful.

Year 4 Residential Pupils in year 4 will be invited to go on a residential trip to Lineham Farm next year from 1st -3rd April.

Year 6 Residential Pupils in year 6 will be invited to go on a residential trip to Robinwood Activity Centre in Todmorden. The trip will take place next year on May 18th - May 20th.

Wednesday Worship The next Wednesday Worship is on the 27th November with Canon Sam. All are welcome to join us at 9am in the hall and to stay for coffee afterwards.

Harvest Festival It was lovely to welcome parents and friends into school for the recent Harvest Festival. We were very proud of the children's efforts. Many thanks for all the kind donations you sent in, which have been delivered to the charities Caring for Life and our local food bank.

Pobble Day Lots of our pupils have had their writing published on the Pobble website. All children and families can go on it to read work by our pupils and add comments to it. Go to www.pobble.com

International Week Pupils have really enjoyed learning about various different countries during international week and have had workshops on dancing. Children are being taught key facts and phrases from their country and today were dressed in clothes to represent any country in the world. Many thanks to you families for all your support in this and for the wonderful variety of food you sent into school today. Thank you to those who joined us for a tour of school to see the exciting things the children had learned.

School playground Please can I remind you that if your child is playing on the climbing equipment before or after school then they should be supervised by a parent until the doors open at 8.45am.

Milk Money All pupils who have milk each day should pay £15 a year for their milk. Could all parents who need to pay please do so as soon as possible at the school office.

Mathletics Many children have been logging on to Mathletics at home. This is a wonderful maths programme to help develop quick mental maths skills. Well done to all those who have already had a certificate for going up a level.

Remembrance Day - In advance of Remembrance Sunday we will be selling poppies outside school each morning for the children to buy



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 are achievers for half term.



Key Stage One

Reception class	Noah Gebremariam	Natan Abadi	Daniel Malacama	Class 2
Melody Forkuo	Lydia Weldeselasia	Class 1	Bayan Ahmed	Fyeri Estifanos
Christian Khassay	Sebastain Kucharski	Hussain Saiyed	Isaac Weldedlesa	Favour Ezeokoli
Holy Temesgen	Eleni Haftom	Michiyas Kibreab	Lamek Kesete	Lunna Fisseha
Anya Redman-Poku	Muna Aibu	Clecia Pereira	Sharon Paulos	Naomi Hagos
Class 1	Joshua Ankomah Serebour	Marcus Evans	Thomas Fisseha	Anderson Anunobi
Penuel Tesfamichael				

Key Stage Two

Sophia Fisseha	Atal Wardak	Class 4	Bree Wilson	Abigail Biniam
Anna Michael	Marcus Mijares	Ezana Kibreab	Lamiek Dasta	Hermela Tefferi
Natty Tadessa	Lamek Tesfamichael	Elim Sultan	Mya Smithen	Jasper Bickle
Liyana Keflemariam	Riley Harris-Stephen	Abigail Kidane	Cross country team	Naomi Weres
Clara Mijares	Lakeisha Akorley	Mercy Amanuel	Naomi Paulos	Ella Mason
Joseph Chernot	Class 6	Class 3	David Oke	Class 5
Aksha Sayed	Sheizy Pereira	Ebun Olaniyi	Leona Dasta	Nazrawit Flimon

Yours sincerely
Mrs E.J.Holliday
Headteacher

Forthcoming Events

These events will be coming up over the next half term .

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday 25 th October	School breaks up for half term
Monday 4 th November	Back to school
Tuesday 5 th November	Individual photos Guy Fawkes visit to class 2
Wednesday 6 th November	Class 1 Teeth & Healthy Eating Workshop
Friday 8 th November	Year 4 Road safety day Football match against St Augustine's
Monday 11 th November	Open day for new Reception families
Monday 11 th November	First payment for Yr 6 for Robinwood
Wednesday 13 th November	Class 5 trip to City Museum
Thursday 14 th November	Road safety or all classes
Friday 15 th November	Class 2 visit to Abbey House Museum
Monday 18 th November	Dodgeball Competition
Wednesday 20 th November	Class 2 assembly Year 1 trip to Skelton Grange
Friday 22 nd November	Class 4 trip to Leeds City Museum
Monday 25 th November	Class 4 visit to Moortown Baptist Church
Wednesday 27 th November	Wednesday Worship Yr 6 on trip to Thwaite Mill Parent's Evening
Thursday 28 th November	Parent's Evening
Friday 30 th November	Training Day - School Closed
Wednesday 4 th December	Reception on visit to Leeds Minster
Tuesday 10 th December	Choir to perform at Rotary Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 11 th December	Choir to perform at Thackrah Court Key Stage 1 Christmas Concert - afternoon
Thursday 12 th December	Key Stage 2 Christmas Concert - evening
Friday 13 th December	Key Stage 2 Christmas Concert - morning
Wednesday 18 th December	Christmas service at Leeds Minster Christmas dinner in school Key stage 1 Christmas party
Thursday 19 th December	Key stage 2 Christmas party
Friday 20 th December	Nursery Christmas party Break up for Christmas Holidays
Monday 6 th January	School re-opens