



St Peter's Pastoral Newsletter Autumn 2019

Welcome to the Autumn term newsletter for the pastoral life of St Peter's. The Pastoral Team are Mrs Scott (Head teacher & PSHE Lead) Ms McBride (DHT, Pastoral & RE Leader) Miss McAuliffe (School Council Lead) Miss Doe (SENCO) Mrs Barnes (Rainbows & Chaplaincy Coordinator) Mr Miles (Healthy Schools) John Mudad (Foundation Governor for RE) Father Edward (Parish Priest)

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society	PSHE
We are fortunate to have a trained counsellor to work with our children who may be experiencing difficulties. This is provided with parental consent.	We are continuing to use Dorothy.com (scheme of work) to promote and support the teaching of PSHE. It covers all the main objectives appropriate to the age of the children.
Masses and Services	
06-09-2019	Friday Mass attendance for two classes each time.
18-09-2019	Whole school Mass for the beginning of the school year and commissioning the Pupil Chaplains
01-11-2019	Mass for All Saints
date tbc	Advent Reconciliation Service
27-11-2019	EYFS Advent Service
11-12-2019	Diocesan Carol Service
19-12-2019	KS2 Christmas Carol Service

Class Assemblies

Date	Class	Theme
23-09-2019	6A	Beginnings
14-10-2019	6H	Celebrating Black History
11-11-2019	5M	Remembrance
02-12-2018	5D	Advent
16-12-2019	4B	Celebrating Christmas

Sunbeams & Rainbows Bereavement Support

At St Peter's we are fortunate to be able to offer Sunbeams & Rainbows Counselling. Rainbows is a well-respected national charity having a proven and positive impact on the lives of children, young people and adults grieving a significant and often devastating loss in their lives. Our vision is quite simply for these children to be understood and supported appropriately. The work of Rainbows is tried, tested and researched, monitored and evaluated. We know the impact of our work is long-lasting and has a tangible impact on people's lives.

Behaviour Rewards & Awards

Our behaviour Policy continues to be a success, and the children appreciate and value the clear expectations, rewards and consequences of their attitude and behaviour. Thank you to the parents for supporting the school.

At St Peter's we aim to reward and praise children for their good efforts. Recognising, sharing and celebrating achievement is an important part of our lives. Such an approach creates a positive environment in which children can develop an understanding of relationships with others and a sense of self-discipline.

This happens in a variety of ways. Teachers are encouraged to send children who have worked hard to achieve a particular target to the HT/DHT for praise and acknowledgement.

It is important that good behaviour is acknowledged and rewarded for all pupils; whether they are consistently cooperative or hard working, or they have succeeded in correcting inappropriate behaviour and/or work patterns.

Most children respond to small rewards and much can be accomplished both in the classroom and around the school by well-placed words, smiles and gestures. Our updated Behaviour Policy is available to view on the website.

Pupil Chaplaincy

We are in the fourth year of Pupil Chaplains at St Peter's School. Special thanks and appreciation to our outgoing Chaplains, who truly were great ambassadors in promoting the Catholic life of the school.

A Few Reflections From This Year's Chaplains

Our school was inspected for RE and since the Pupil Chaplains were a key part, we were interviewed. We showed him round and he asked us lots of questions. After a week Mrs Scott received a report and we were rated ...OUTSTANDING! Joshua

We were fortunate to be inspected for our RE work. We had to prove our work was outstanding. The inspector interviewed the Pupil Chaplains. He came to our Rosary groups, Novena to Our Lady of La Salette and he saw our boy Chaplains perform to the Nazareth Rooms. They told stories and acted out for the children. A week later we got the report sent back and Mrs Scott revealed to us in the library that we got...OUTSTANDING! Chidera

My experience at the Citizenship Awards was life changing. Hearing all the touching stories of what children have been through inspires me in many ways. I will never forget this moment in my life. Christopher

St Peter's Chaplaincy team had the privilege to be awarded the Brentwood Citizenship Award for displaying the Gospel Values consistently and obeying God's word. We received our award from Bishop Alan. After our gathering we were awarded a feast. During this, we were given the chance to talk to people and congratulate others. Tilly

We are truly thankful for the work of Our Pupil Chaplains and they truly live out the Gospel Values. God Bless you all in your new schools. You are an inspiration to those that follow you.

Their role in the school is as follows:

- To help the school be a community of faith.
- To encourage pupils to live their faith daily.
- To develop good relationships within and beyond the school community.
To support the liturgy, prayer and the spiritual life of the school.
To involve pupils in fundraising activities.
- To continue to develop strong links with the Parish.
To support the school in its Mission and Vision Statements.
Follow the work of our Chaplains in their monthly newsletter.

Our new chaplains will be inaugurated and blessed by Father Edward on September 18th. Please keep them in your prayers.

Eunice, Ella, Anais, Anjola, Monique, Caitlin, Adanna, Jayden, Kenneth, Borys, Lotenna & Chidera

Core Values

All the Core Values have now been fully embedded through morning assembly. Mrs Scott has now introduced weekly Core Value Ambassadors are an integral part of Friday assembly, where children and adults are nominated by children and adults for displaying our values.

In our RE inspection it was recognised that the introduction of our School Core Values which form a focal point for Collective Worship across the school, and the way we now have nominated 'Core Value Ambassadors' is a positive and important part of the Catholic Life of the school. We are committed as a school to continue to promote Religious

Education as a lifelong process and we recognise the best way for our children to be fully engaged and to be living that faith is to make it active and alive. St Peter's core values, which we can celebrate and live like we do our Gospel values. More about this later in the term.

PERSEVERANCE, RESPECT, INTEGRITY, COMPASSION, ENTHUSIASM

The Common Good

30-09-2019	Macmillan Coffee Morning
11-11-2019	Remembrance Day Prayers
27-11-2019	Red Wednesday
04-12-2019	Dagenham Food Bank Collection
06-12-2019	Carol Singing at Catherine Godfrey House for the Elderly

Breakfast Club

Every weekday from 7.30am – 8.45am
Please speak to Mrs Cosburn and/or Mrs Ryan about arrangements.

After School Club

We are happy now to be offering After School Club.
Every day from 3,15pm -5.30pm
Please contact the school office a form, or the school mobile on 07932 534751

School Clubs

Monday	Lunchtime: Year 1 Multisports After school: Year 6 Boys Football Reception/Year 1 Football
Tuesday	Before school: Year 3 Multisports Year 1/2 Judo Lunchtime: Year 2 Multisports After school: Staff Netball Year 4/5 Football
Wednesday	Before school: Year 4 Multisports Lunchtime: Year 5 Football After school: Year 2/3 Football

Thursday	Before school: Year 5 Multisports After school: Staff boot camp EYFS Multisports
Friday	Before school: Year 5/6 Girls Football Year 3/4/5 Judo