

St Peter's Pastoral Newsletter Spring 2022

Welcome to the Spring term newsletter for the pastoral life of St Peter's. It has been a busy first term, Covid continues to influence the school landscape a lot, despite the challenges we continue to thrive and grow. The Pastoral Team are Mrs Scott (Head teacher) Ms McBride (DHT & RE Leader) Miss Hume (School Council Lead) Miss Doe (SENCO) Mrs Barnes (Rainbows & Chaplaincy Coordinator) Mrs Sapiano (PSHE Lead) Father Edward (Parish Priest)

Counselling

We are fortunate to have a trained counsellor to work with our children who may be experiencing difficulties. This is provided with parental consent.

PSHE

We are continuing to use Jigsaw (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

We will continue to attend Mass on a Friday for two classes. Unfortunately due to Covid much of our Christmas celebrations were postponed. Year 6 did perform a live outdoor Nativity, that the children witnessed. EYFS and the Nazareth Room performed their own Nativity celebration.

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Friday Masses	Friday Mass attendance for two classes
	each time.
07-01-2022	6H & 2A
14-01-2022	6W & 2H
21-01-2022	5M & 1D
28-01-2022	5B & 1C
04-02-2022	4H & 3O
11-02-2022	4L & 3H
25-02-2022	6H & RJ
04-03-2022	6W & RS
11-03-2022	5M & 2A
18-03-2022	5B & 2H
25-03-2022	4H & 1D

Class Assemblies			
Date	Class	Theme	
17-01-2022	3H	British Values: The rule of	
		Law	
31-01-2022	30	Candlemas	
28-01-2022	2A	Compassion	
21-03-2022	2H	British values: Tolerance &	
		Respect	
WB 28-03-2022	KS2	Easter Assemblies	

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

The behaviour in our school is exceptionally good, we continue to strive and work with the childen to be the best they can possibly be. 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. We continue to review and update our Behaviour Policy and it is available to view on the website.

Pupil Chaplaincy

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 chaplains: Aimua, Andi, Angel Jada, Anthony, Chiagoziem, Chi Chi, Demi, Elijah, Emmalee, Joshua, Joseph, Julia, Kamil, Osasere, Sherise, Treasure, Uchechi & Xavier

It has been a busy term, the Chaplains have planned and prepared the Wednesday Word assemblies, the boys visit the Nazareth rooms and share Bible stories using puppets. The children truly love it. There have been Rosary groups at lunchtime and they have been preparing the altars for the different assemblies across the week. They truly are embracing and promoting the Catholic life of the school and leading by example on their words and deeds.

Core Values

Our Core Values continue to be a central feature of St Peter's school life and remind us of some of the qualities we cherish and bring us closer to Jesus. 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.

'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.

PERSEVERANCE, RESPECT, INTEGRITY, COMPASSION, ENTHUSIASM

The Common Good

On October 4th we had an awareness day for Cafod, which also coincided with the feast day of St Francis of Assisi. Building a Brighter World – this was to raise awareness of Pope Francis' call to look after our common home – the world.

On Wednesday the 24th November we marked Red Wednesday by wearing an item of red, to stand in solidarity of all those who are persecuted for their faith.

We continue our support for St Francis' Hospice by having a fundraiser for Christmas by wearing a Christmas jumper, we raised a huge £303.93 for a very worthy cause. Fundraising always has its challenges but your generosity shone through as always.

Breakfast Club

After School Club

Every weekday from 7.30am – 8.45am

Please speak to Mrs Cosburn and/or the office about arrangements.

We are happy now to be offering After School Club.

Every day from 3,15pm -5.30pm Please contact the school office for a form.

	School Clubs (first half term)
Monday	Before school: Year 5 Multisports After school: Year 4 Football
Tuesday	Before school: Year 1/2/3 Judo
,	After school: Year 3 Multisports
Wednesday	Before school: Year 6 football
Thursday	Before school: Year 4/5/6 Acro Gymnastics
	After school: Year 2 football
Friday	Before school: Year 4/5/6 Judo
	After school: Year1/2/3 Acro Gymnastics