

Attendance Award:

Birch Class (Y3) with 99.2%

House Points

St Margaret—807
St Philip—767
St Francis—615
St Therese—509

Achievement certificates awarded to:

Maple - Charlie
Willow - Emily
Oak - Aoife
Ash - William
Beech - Zelda
Rowan - Mollie
Elm - Henry B
Birch - Olek
Cherry - Liam
Hazel - Patrick & Bobby
Hawthorn - Oli
Poplar - Elena
Chestnut - Samara
Sycamore - Pola

Congratulations

to Dylan, Jack & Ollie who shared their U7s Ruby Medals in assembly.

Coming up next week...

21.03.22 - 'Harmful Online Behaviour' workshop for parents of Y6 children @6.30pm

23.03.22 - Chestnut & Sycamore Classes (Y6) Liturgies @ 2.50pm, parents welcome

23.03.22 - Tag Ruby Festival at St Peter's

24.03.22 - Y5 & 6 Football Tournament at Downsland School

25.03.22 - Elm Class (Y3) Liturgy @ 2.50pm, parents welcome

25.03.22 - FOSP Shop for KS2

26.03.22 - FOSP Shop for EYFS & KS1

St Peter's News



18th March 2022

This week in school...

Dear Parents and Children,

In this week's values assembly we heard more about the life of St Patrick, patron Saint of Ireland. We also had a wonderful retelling of his life from Year 3 on his feast day on Thursday. We hope that all our families with an Irish connection enjoyed a very happy St Patrick's Day.

We continued our Lenten journey today when our older children had the opportunity to receive individual reconciliation. Thank you to Fr Tony and Fr Stephen for giving up their time to support our children's preparation for Easter in this special way.

Over the next few weeks, we are going to have a real focus on uniform and standards of presentation. I will be asking

all teachers to make sure that some key elements of our uniform policy are in place, and would ask that parents also support this.

Earrings - can only be a plain stud. Hoop earrings are dangerous and are not allowed. Children will be asked to remove any hooped earrings.

Hair - any hair longer than the bottom of the shirt collar must be tied up at all times. This applies to both girls and boys. Children will be given a hair band and asked to tie their hair up if they have not already.

Ties - must be worn by all children as part of winter uniform.

Shoes - please do not allow children to wear trainers to school. They should have proper, black school shoes. Trainers are for PE lessons and sports clubs only.

Base layers - Now that the weather is getting warmer we would ask that children do not wear visible base layers under their school uniform. Children will be asked to change out of base layers which show under their uniform.

Thank you for helping to make sure that children at St Peter's School look as smart as they can.

We were treated to a performance from our KS1 choir in assembly this afternoon - what a lovely way to end the week.

Have a great weekend.
Yours sincerely,

Richard McKenzie
Headteacher

From Sunday's Gospel...

This coming Sunday is the **Third Sunday of Lent**. In this week's Gospel, [\(Luke 13:1-9\)](#) Jesus teaches about repentance using the parable of the barren fig tree. The patience and hopefulness of the gardener is revealed when he is told to cut down the fig tree because it is not producing fruit. The gardener counsels patience: if properly tended, the barren fig tree may yet bear fruit. In this parable, we find an image of God's patience. God never abandons us, he cares for us even when we may not acknowledge him. Please take time to read the Gospel with your child.



Class Liturgies

We are delighted to be able to welcome families back into school to worship with us as our Class Liturgies begin again. Parents or family members are invited to come along and join their child in prayer in a special liturgy created by the children themselves. They are always a prayerful, moving experience.

Dates for each classes liturgy are in our diary dates at the end of the newsletter. Please do try to join us if you can.



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School Safeguarding Team

If you are worried about something that your own, or another child has told you, or you think that they may be at risk of harm, please contact our Designated Safeguarding team:

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Supporting Families

We are able to offer support to any families experiencing financial difficulties. Please contact us in confidence and we will do whatever we can to help you.



Hello St. Peter's!

I've had a great week and am looking forward to enjoying some sunshine this weekend! Thank you to all my wonderful Winnie Readers: **Violet, Max, Izzy, Lucie and Aaron** - your reading was beautiful to hear.

Congratulations to all of my friends in **Elm Class...** you're all my Work of the Week winners!

Thank you for the beautiful letters, drawings and notes that you gave me. I especially love the banner that **Elise** made! Well done to all of you, including: **Louisa, Leona, Isla, Isabella, Ella, Kinga, Bella and Leo.**

*Love from,
Winnie* 



No Pokémon Cards in School

Over the last few weeks we have seen increasing numbers of children bringing Pokémon and other trading cards to school, and these are causing increasing issues between children at breaktimes.

We reminded all children today of our 'no toys from home' policy at St Peter's. The reason we have this policy is:

- to reduce arguments between children, especially with games where trading, or winning things from others are involved;
- to ensure that children do not lose precious items which could be brought to school without their parents' knowledge; and
- to reduce the amount of time children spend out of class looking for lost items after break or lunch time.

We would appreciate parents' support in ensuring that children do not bring Pokémon cards or other toys to school.

Teachers will confiscate any Pokémon cards that are seen, and these will be held at the school office for an adult to collect.



FOSP News

Children's Shopping Event

As Mother's Day is approaching, the children will have the opportunity to purchase a gift at a very special shopping event. Maximum spend is £2. It will be held during the school day

- ⇒ KS2 will visit next Thursday, 25th
- ⇒ Reception & KS1 will visit on Friday, 26th March.

New volunteers

As mentioned in last weeks' newsletter we are looking for new volunteers to join the FOSP team later in year. If you would like to find out more, drop us an email at fosp.stpeters@gmail.com





Help for Ukraine



Toy Sale & Blue and Yellow Day

International Club are organising some events to help support the people displaced by the war in Ukraine.

"We are doing a toy sale, book sale and game sale all in one sale to raise money for the DEC Appeal for Ukraine. We are asking children to bring in toys, games and books that they don't want anymore for our Toy Sale. Toys and books should be good still and not broken. Check if the games still work and if you have got all the pieces to any jigsaws. Please bring your donations into school on Monday 28th March. The toy sale will be on **Tuesday 29th March in the school day** and everything costs 50p each." Emma & Olivia

"On **Thursday 31st March** we are having a blue and yellow day because blue and yellow are the colours of the Ukrainian flag. You can wear your own clothes, or you could even wear your PE shirt. Try to bring a £1 but any amount is good." Mia & Emilia

International Club are also planning a cake sale and a children's raffle for after Easter. If you have links to a local business that may be able to offer International Club a prize for their raffle, please contact the school office or Mrs McDonnell on deputy@stpeters-leatherhead.surrey.sch.uk

Aid to Poland/ Ukraine border

St Clement's Catholic Primary School in Ewell, one of our Deanery Partners has asked for our help in sending aid directly to the Poland/Ukraine border.

One of their parents has just returned to the UK after successfully delivering a lorry full of aid to the refugee centers for Ukrainian people forced to leave their homes by the war. There are plans for another aid lorry to go to the Poland/Ukraine border before Easter and again after the holidays.

If parents and staff would like to contribute to the collection of items, this would be much appreciated. Donations can be left in the trolley in the school entrance until **Wednesday 30th March**.

If there are any parents who may be able to help transport donated items to the collection point at St Clement's School on Wednesday 30th or Thursday 31st March that would be a tremendous help. Please let the office know if you can help with this.

We have made a list of items that are most needed. Please only send these items.

The collection cannot accept foodstuff other than ready made, long-life baby food. (no cans, pasta etc.)

Please do not send clothes or clothing items in for the collection as they have stressed that they do not need clothes, as there are other places already that are collecting clothes.

Thank you for your support.

We are collecting:

- Powdered milk for babies
- Food for babies and children – long life ready made baby food.
- Nappies and wet wipes for babies and children
- Nappies for the elderly
- Torches – hand held and head torches
- Batteries—AAA and AA
- Thermal blankets
- Sleeping bags
- First aid kits
- Paracetamol and painkillers
- Calpol – for infants and juniors
- Dressings/bandages
- Sanitary products for women – tampons and sanitary towels
- Candles
- Lighters/matches
- Walkie talkies

Please bring items into the front office collection point and hand any medicines to a member of office staff.



Sports Update

Cross Country - Year 3&4 Meet



It was fantastic to see so many Year 3s and 4s attend last Friday's cross country despite the torrential rain. The girls in particular did fantastically with our first four runners (Tabitha, Eva, Annie and Louisa) all coming in the top 20, which placed us second overall out of all the schools competing. There are sadly no more cross country fixtures this year but we should be having more meets in September.

Netball

Well done to Tara (Y6) for being nominated for the Surrey County netball team. We wish her the best of luck for her upcoming trials.

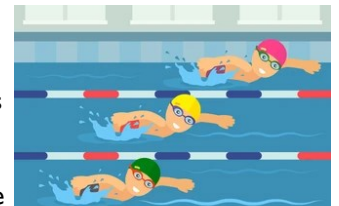
Y4-6 Swimming Gala - Tuesday 29th March

St Peter's will be taking part in the 2022 Inter Schools Swimming Gala at Parkside School Cobham. Each year group will have a squad of 5 swimmers, who will take part in one individual race each, along with at least one of the relay races (medley, free-style, or mixed squad). All races are held over 20m.

If your child is interested in being part of the swimming squad, please complete [this form](#) by **9am on Monday 22nd March**. We will let children know if they have been selected for the squad on Tuesday 23rd March.

Important Information:

- Swimmers should arrive pool ready - i.e. swimming costumes under onesies to minimise use of changing rooms. Swimmers should bring a couple of towels, water bottles, hat and goggles, plus something to keep warm in (dressing gowns are great for this) after they have finished racing.
- Parkside have very kindly let us use their pool for this event, but they have requested that no spectators attend. Parents can drop off and return at the end of the gala or there are also some large windows where parents can watch from outside.
- We will also need parent helpers to help with supervision poolside. If you can help, please indicate this on the form.



If you have any questions, please contact Mrs McDonnell on deputy@stpeters-leatherhead.surrey.sch.uk.

St Peter's Boys' Football Tournament

This week started with leaders Cats Utd facing the Bayern Birds who were seeking to get back into the title race following the surprise loss in their previous game. Things did not start well for the Birds as they ended up scoring in their own net before almost scoring another own goal. However, slowly Bayern Birds steadied their nerves and ended up winners thanks to two goals from Ben Newman to move level on points with Cats Utd.

The second game saw a nervy 1-1 draw between the Barce Dogs and Gorilla Young Boys. Barce Dogs took an early lead through Ben Wickham before Gorillas captain, Gabriel Clarke, rallied his troops by scoring a stunning equaliser. Young Boys pressed, looking for a winner but the heroics from Jack Goldie in goal meant that both teams had to share the spoils.

The final game of the week saw bottom side Chicken City face off against Juve Horses. Juve Horses started well and took the lead through Ollie O'Malley. Chicken City though slowly began to find their confidence and striker Lesley Poku was twice denied from scoring by Gurvansh Singh. It was Lesley though who had the final say by sneaking a shot in past the post in the dying minutes of the game to earn their first point of the tournament.

Race for the Golden Boot

Name	Goals
Daniel Canning	4
Gabriel Clarke	4
Ben Newman	4
Ben Wickham	3
Ollie O'Malley	2
Raphi Clarke	1
Elliot Crozet-Smith	1
William Pearson	1
Lesley Poku	1

Dates for your diary

21.03.22	'Harmful Online Behaviour' workshop for parents of Y6 children @6.30pm	
23.03.22	Chestnut Class (Y6) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
23.03.22	Sycamore Class (y6) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
23.03.22	Tag Rugby Tournament at St Peter's	
24.03.22	Year 5 and 6 mixed football tournament @ Downsend School	
25.03.22	Elm Class (Y3) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
25.03.22	FOSP Children's Shopping Event for KS2 - £2 max spend per child	NEW
26.03.22	FOSP Children's Shopping Event for EYFS & KS1 - £2 max spend per child	
28.03.22	Please bring in donations for International Club's Toy & Game sale	NEW
28.03.22	Last Date for any additional donations for the Walk Against Hunger Appeal	
29.03.22	International Club's Toy & Game sale for DEC Ukraine Appeal	NEW
29.03.22	Y4-6 Swimming Gala at Parkside School Cobham	NEW
30.03.22	Year 5 and 6 netball tournament @ Manor House School	
31.03.22	Blue & Yellow Day to raise money for the DEC Ukrainian Appeal	NEW
01.04.22	School finishes for Easter Holidays at 1pm	

Monday 4th April to Monday 19th April 2022—Easter Holiday

19.04.22	INSET DAY - School Closed for children	
20.04.22	All children return to school	
26.04.22	Birch Class (Y3) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
02.05.22	May Day Bank Holiday - School Closed for children	
05.05.22	Poplar Class (Y5) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
12.05.22	Hawthorn Class (Y5) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW

Monday 30th - Friday 3rd June - Half Term Holiday

13.06.22	Hazel Class (Y4) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
17.06.22	Ash Class (Y1) Liturgy @ 9.00am. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
21.06.22	Cherry Class (Y4) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
22.06.22	Ash Class (Y1) Liturgy @ 9.00am. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
01.07.22	Willow Class (YR) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
04.07.22	Beech Class (Y2) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
05.07.22	Rowan Class (Y2) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
08.07.22	Maple Class (YR) Liturgy @2.50pm. Parents warmly invited to join us.	NEW
21.07.22	School closes for the end of the School Year at 1pm	
22.07.22	Additional day holiday due to Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday (rolled over from May Half Term)	