St Peter's News



17th November 2022

House Points

St Therese—931 St Margaret—825 St Francis —764 St Philip—750

Attendance Award:

Cherry Class (Y4) with 98%

Achievement certificates

Oak - Olivia
Ash - Amber
Rowan - Oliver B
Beech - Theo
Elm - Alex
Birch - Emily S
Cherry - Minnie
Hazel - Phoenix
Hawthorn - Vanessa*
Poplar - Zoe *
Chestnut - Maddie*
Sycamore - Mia K*

*Our special
Writing Certificate
awards and
invitation to the
writers' tea party

Elliot also shared his medal for Indoor Athletics.

This week in school...

Dear Parents and Children,

Our week began on Monday with a special assembly led by Mrs Hall about COP 27. We thought about the challenges facing those tackling climate change and what we can do to make small changes in our lives.

I was delighted to meet so many parents at our Parent Consultation evening this week. It was good to see so many of you attending and it's a sure sign of the strength of the partnership between home and school. Thank you also to the Y5 parents who attended the RSE meeting. The slides for this and the Y6 meeting have been sent via Parentmail - please do keep a look out for them.

A very big well done and thank you to the children in Y6, Y4, Y3 and Y2 who were so well behaved during their cinema trips this week. Your teachers were very impressed with how well you listened to instructions, how sensible you were moving around the buildings and how respectful you were of others.

We have now begun our plans for celebrating Christmas; please see the dates at the end of the newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

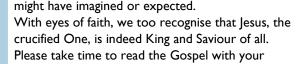
Richard McKenzie

Headteacher

From Sunday's Gospel...

This coming Sunday, the last Sunday in the Church's year, we celebrate the

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. This marks the end of this Liturgical Year and is the last Sunday before the Season of Advent begins. In this week's Gospel (Luke 23:35-43), we hear how Jesus is crucified under the title King of the Jews. Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we



Reminders...

Can we please remind parents that Duckworth Drive is private land and should not be used as a short cut.
Residents have informed us that they have seen St. Peter's pupils (and some parents) pressing the main gate Trade Entry button to open the gates and then walking through the development and out our side gate, leaving it open. Please respect our neighbours and do not do this.

Please remember to complete any outstanding permissions for upcoming cinema trips.















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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:

Mr. McKenzie (Lead) Mrs. McDonnell (Deputy) Mrs. Hall (Deputy)

dsl@stpetersleatherhead. surrey.sch.uk

Supporting Families

We are able to offer support to families experiencing financial or other difficulties.

Please contact Mrs. Walsh our <u>Family</u> <u>Support Worker</u> in confidence and we will do what we can to help you.



Winnie's Weekly Wag

Hello St Peter's!

A huge well done to **Abel (Cherry Class)** for his fantastic story-writing that he shared with me last week - I was so impressed by your ideas and the effort that you'd put in!

Thank you and well done, as always, to be fabulous Winnie Readers - **Michael, Robin** and **Beau** - I look forward to reading with even more of you next week!







Swimming Squad

A very big congratulations to our KS2 Swim Squad who came 3rd in the recent swimming gala.

A special well done to

James S (Y6) who placed 1st in Y6 Backstroke

Toby (Y5) who placed 1st in Y5 Freestyle &

Layton (Y5) who was awarded most improved swimmer



Congratulations

To **Lola (Y5)** who has passed her Grade 3 piano exam with merit. Well Done Lola, what a magnificent achievement.



FOSP News

Christmas Wreath making - There are just a few tickets left for our festive evening making a Christmas wreath (detailed instructions given, no experience needed) Tickets include a free glass of mulled wine, and there'll be a bar with food and drink. Bring your friends! 7.30 - 10.30pm Friday 25th November. Buy tickets here https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fosp-events

Santa Grotto and Christmas Market, Saturday 3rd December 11-3pm - We need volunteers, please, to help us to set up for this either the afternoon before or on the day. Please sign up here http://volunteersignup.org/A7B7Q

We are also still accepting stallholders - £10 per pitch, plus raffle prize.

Raffle - We have some great prizes, including over £1000 of Hackett goods and a Nintendo Switch bundle. Tickets have been sent out to the eldest sibling - if you'd like more, please ask the school office. Please return all sold and unsold tickets to one of the FOSP postboxes by 2nd December.

Operation Christmas Child



Thank you very much for your generous donations to International Clubs' Operation Christmas Child appeal. We packed 18 shoeboxes full of gifts and treats ready to be sent to children around the world.

World Cup

England play their first match in the Men's World Cup on Monday. Kick off in the match against Iran is at Ipm and we will be showing the match in class for those who want to watch. Children can bring a football t-shirt or scarf into school to change into during the match. Children should wear school uniform to school as normal.





In the news this week

The men's FIFA World Cup 2022 has started in Oatar and will run until 18th December. It is the 22nd edition of the competition, and the first played in the Arab world. The 64 matches of the tournament will take place across eight venues in the country. Usually, the event takes place in summer but because of the extreme heat at that time of year, it has been moved to a November-December winter slot. though temperatures will still reach about 25°C. The decision to stage the tournament in Qatar has been criticised because of concerns over the country's poor treatment of the large number of workers from other countries, employed to help them prepare for the tournament.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Have you been watching the World Cup so far? Share your thoughts on the tournament.
- As the World Cup is held in different countries, do you think it provides an opportunity for people to learn about life in other parts of the world?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments





Christmas Celebrations

As the season of Advent, and our preparations for Christmas draw nearer, we would like to share the arrangements for the various activities and celebrations in school. If you have any questions about any of the events listed below, please contact your child's teacher. Thank you.

Christmas Cards

The St Peter's Christmas Post Box will be open from **Thursday I**st **December** with the first deliveries later on that week. The post box is situated in the main reception lobby and children can drop off their cards in the morning or during the day. Please make sure that all cards have a **name and class** on them please.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner is a very special event at St Peter's. This year, Christmas Dinner days are:

- Wednesday I4th December Years R-2
- Thursday 15th December Years 3-6

If your child is in EYFS/ KSI and usually has a packed lunch, but would like a Christmas Dinner, please email office@stpeters-leatherhead.surrey.sch.uk by Friday 3rd December. There is no charge for children in EYFS/KSI as they are all entitled to the daily school meal.

If your **KS2 (Y3-6)** child <u>DOES NOT</u> usually have school dinners and would like to have a Christmas Dinner please make a payment off £2.60 via ParentPay by Friday 3rd December. If your child usually has school meals then they will automatically have the Christmas Dinner - you do not have to make an extra payment.

Festive Picnics

When the hall is being used for Christmas Dinner, children in the other classes will need a packed lunch, provided by parents please, which will be eaten in class as a 'Festive Picnic'.

- Children in Years R-2 need to bring a packed lunch on Thursday 15th December.
- Children in Years 3-6 need to bring a packed lunch on Wednesday 14th December.

If you are in receipt of means tested Free School Meals or would find it challenging to provide a packed lunch from home on these days, please let us know by Friday 3rd December as we will be able to help.

Nativity Play Performances

Parents are warmly invited to join us for our Nativity performances where each year group will present a simple retelling of the Christmas Story. These performances are not ticketed but to ensure we have room for everyone, we ask that maximum of 2 adults per family join us and that you only attend one of the performances. Thank you.

5.12.22 - Year 2 Nativity for parents in Rowan and Beech Classes @2.30pm

6.12.22 - Year 2 Nativity for parents in Rowan and Beech Classes @9.20am

6.12.22 - Year I Nativity for parents in Oak & Ash Classes @2.30pm

7.12.22 -Year I Nativity for parents in Oak & Ash Classes @9.20am

9.12.22 - EYFS Nativity for parents in Maple & Willow Classes @9.10am

12.12.22 - EYFS Nativity for parents in Maple & Willow Classes @9.10am



Carol Services

Year 3 and Year 4 invite parents to join them for Carols around the Christmas Tree on **Friday 9th December** at **2.45pm.** We are also going to be joined by some residents from Milner House, so we ask that a maximum of 2 adults per family attend.

Year 5 and Year 6 will be leading our school Carol Service for all children at St Michael's Church, Ashtead at 10.30am on **Thursday 15**th **December**. Parents from Year 5 & 6 are warmly invited to join us and offers of help to supervise walking to and from church are much appreciated! Please email Mrs Hall ruth.hall@stpeters-leatherhead.surrey.sch.uk if you can help.

Family Support

Our Children & Family Support Worker, Mrs Walsh would like to share these upcoming family support sessions with you. If the cost of any of these sessions would prevent you from accessing this support for your child, please contact her on fsw@stpeters-leatherhead.surrey.sch.uk as she may be able to help.



Wednesdays, 4 pm - 5pm
January 18th 2023 for 8 weeks
(with a break for half term)
£40, payable in advance

Lego® Club is run by Jackie and Leanne for mainstream children age 6-11 that need to build on social communication skills

The programme promotes social inclusion and helps to build confidence. Children will have the opportunity to socialise and make new friends while developing social communication and interaction skills.

The course costs £40, which we request is paid in advance via BACs if possible.

If you think this group might be right for your child, please call us to discuss reserving a place: 01306 740095











Dates for your diary

04.01.23	All children return to school	
03.01.23	INSET DAY - School Closed for children	
16.12.22	School finishes for Christmas Holidays at 1pm	
	Year YR, I & 2 'Festive Picnic' -please bring a packed lunch on this day	
15.12.22	Year 3-6 Christmas Lunch	
15.12.22	Carol Service at St Michael's, Ashtead for all children and parents of Y5&6 @ 10.30am PARENT HELPERS NEEDED	NEW
	Year 3-6 'Festive Picnic' -please bring a packed lunch on this day	
14.12.22	Year R,I & 2 Christmas Lunch	
12.12.22	Year 2 visit to Windsor Castle	NEW
09.12.22	Carols Around the Christmas Tree for parents of children in Y3&4 (Elm, Birch, Cherry & Hazel) @2.30pm	NEW
07.12.22	RockSteady Band Concert for parents of children attending lessons in school at 2.00pm	
7.12.22	Year I Nativity for parents in Oak & Ash Classes @9.20am	NEW
6.12.22	Year I Nativity for parents in Oak & Ash Classes @2.30pm	NEW
6.12.22	Year 2 Nativity for parents in Rowan and Beech Classes @9.20am	NEW
5.12.22	Year 2 Nativity for parents in Rowan and Beech Classes @2.30pm	NEW
5.12.22	Computing workshops in class for KS2 (I year per day)	NEW
3.12.22	FOSP Christmas Wreath	
2.12.22	KS2 Choir and Trumpeters in the Carol Service at Church of Our Lady & St Peter, Leatherhead. All welcome, 6pm start.	NEW
2.12.22	Computing workshops in class for KS2 (I year per day)	NEW
2.12.22	Fr Michael & Fr Stephen in school for opportunity for individual reconciliation (Children in Y5&6)	NEW
1.12.22	Computing workshops in class for KS2 (I year per day)	NEW
1.12.22	Advent Service of Reconciliation with Fr Livie followed by an opportunity for individual reconciliation (Children in Y4)	NEW
30.11.22	Computing workshops in class for KS2 (I year per day)	NEW
30.11.22	EYFS Nativity for parents in Maple & Willow Classes @9.15am	NEW
29.11.22	EYFS Nativity for parents in Maple & Willow Classes @9.15am	NEW
26.11.22	Family Photo Session in school	
25.11.22	FOSP Christmas Wreath Making Evening https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fosp-events	
23.11.22	Y5 visiting Cinema as part of the BFI 'Into Film Festival'	
21.11.22	YR& I visiting Cinema as part of the BFI 'Into Film Festival'	
21.11.22	World Cup Football Themed afternoon in school (see inside for more information)	