St Peter's News



13th January 2023

House Points

St Margaret—862 St Philip—705 St Francis —692

St Therese-459

Achievement certificates

Maple - whole class
Willow - whole
class
Oak - Joshua
Ash - Toby
Rowan - Tommy
Beech - whole class
Birch - William
Elm - Harry
Hazel - Ellis
Cherry - Mario
Hawthorn - Toby*
Poplar - Henry*
Chestnut - Megan*
Sycamore - Harry*

Congratulations to Annie (Y6) who has been awarded a distinction in her Grade I practical piano exam - a very impressive achievement!

This week in school...

Dear Parents and Children,

This has been a great week in school. I have really enjoyed visiting many of the classrooms and seeing the children settling back into their work with enthusiasm and determination. We started this week with by pausing in remembrance of Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI. Mrs. Hall led our assembly on his life and work and how we could follow his example in seeking God in all things.

Many of you will already be aware that one of our school families sadly experienced a bereavement during the Christmas Break when Mrs. Stella Chard died following a long illness. Her warm personality and open smile was known by all at St Peter's and she will be missed by the many friends that she made here, in particular the parents of our current Y5 and Y1 classes who will have known her best. We are all deeply saddened by this loss, and I am sure that you will wish to join me in offering our condolences and deepest sympathy to the family. We will be praying for them and for Stella and invite you join us in these prayers with your family at home. Stella's funeral will be on Tuesday at Our Lady and St Peter's Church, and her husband, Joseph, has set up a memorial donation page in support of the Princess Alice Hospice, who cared for her and the family during her illness.

I have been dropping in on phonics sessions across the school this week, seeing our phonic programme in action. If you are able to, please do join Mrs. Bolden & Mrs. McDonnell for our Parent/ Carer workshop on learning to read with phonics at 9.00am on 24th January.

We are planning a number of events where we can share the learning that happens at school with parents. This begins next Wednesday evening with a free Parental E-Safety webinar from the NSPCC. Online safety is an issue which effects us all as parents - please make every effort to join us if you can. Many parents said how useful they have found previous events.

Have a lovely weekend. Yours sincerely,

Richard McKenzie Headteacher

From Sunday's Gospel...

This Sunday is the **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.** Typically, on Sundays in this lectionary cycle (Cycle A), the Gospel readings will be taken from Matthew's Gospel. For this week,

however we hear from John's Gospel (John 1:29-34) in which he testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son

John the Baptist is an excellent role model as someone who directed attention away from himself and towards Jesus. This reading reminds us that through our lives, we might make Jesus known to others. Please take time to read the Gospel with your child.



Front Page News!

Children go bananas after discovering their free school fruit isn't Fairtrade

International Club's petition has been featured in the Catholic Universe Newspaper.



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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 DSL) Mrs. McDonnell Mrs. Hall Miss Greene Mrs. Walsh (Deputy DSLs)

dsl@stpeters-

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.

Joining the Stars on Stage

Congratulations to **Willow** (Y6) who joined Eddie The Eagle (pictured) and the cast of Cinderella at the Harlequin Theatre in Redhill. Willow was one of the dancers and in the chorus, and took part in nearly 20 performances during December.

This was Willow's first time performing on stage and she said it was "An amazing experience!". Well done Willow. We are very proud of you and look forward to seeing you in your next show!







Winnie's Weekly Wag

Happy New Year everyone! I hope that you all have had a fantastic full week in school!

I've had the loveliest walks with Max, Christopher, Leon and Harmehar (Birch Class), this week. You were all such fun company and I loved playing fetch with you! Thank you also to all of the children who read to me on Wednesday. Hannah and Jacob (Rowan), and Lucie, Nicole and Harmehar (Birch) all read their books beautifully. They're all reading such exciting stories too!

Have a great weekend.







FOSP News

Thank you to everyone who attended our fundraising planning meeting this afternoon. If you have ideas about how to raise money or would like to get involved please email fosp.stpeters@gmail.com





The online world is an important part of kids' lives nowadays. It's an exciting place for them to explore, with all sorts of fun and educational stuff to discover, but there can be some risks too.



'Keeping children safe online' will teach you how to help kids explore their favourite apps, games and sites safely. Our workshop will:

- help you understand how children experience the online world
- show you resources and tools that could help keep them safe
- empower you to guide them on their journey.

Date: Wednesday 18th January Time: 7-8pm Location: Zoom - register through your school.



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Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 893 6335 1853 / Passcode: 098558

Dates for your diary

15.01.23	CLOSING DATE for Surrey School Admissions & School SIP forms for YR in September 2023	
18.01.23	NSPCC Online Safety Workshop via Zoom. FREE—All Parents Welcome	NEW
24.01.23	Reading Meeting @ 9.00am for parents of children in YR & YI (details on Parentmail)	NEW
30.01.23	Bikeability Level 1 Cycle Training for Year 4 (in groups)	
31.01.23	Phonics Workshop for parents of children in YR @9.00am	NEW
31.01.23	Bikeability Level I Cycle Training for Year 4 (in groups)	
01.02.23	Bikeability Level 1 Cycle Training for Year 4 (in groups)	
01.02.23	Year 5&6 at St Andrew's School for Dance Showcase	
02.02.23	Bikeability Level 1 Cycle Training for Year 4 (in groups)	
03.02.23	Bikeability Level 1 Cycle Training for Year 4 (in groups)	
07.02.23	Phonics Workshop for parents of children in YI @9.00am	NEW
10.02.23	INSET DAY - School Closed for children	
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