



20th January 2023

House Points

St Margaret—556

St Francis —529

St Therese—524

St Philip—438

Attendance Award

Cherry (Y4) 96%

Achievement certificates

Maple - Tate

Willow - Leah

Oak - Thalia*

Ash - Isabella*

Rowan - Seb*

Beech - Lydia*

Birch - Benas

Elm - Alfie

Hazel - Louis

Cherry - Xavier &

Amelie

Hawthorn - Toby

Poplar - Nico

Chestnut - Joseph C

Sycamore - Jasmine

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

This week in school...

Dear Parents and Children,

We began this week with an assembly focused on the values of Fairness and Equality as we learned more about Dr Martin Luther King, whose birthday is commemorated in the USA on 15th January. Dr King devoted his life to finding peaceful ways to struggle against injustice, and became a figurehead for what is known as the Civil Rights Movement. He is particularly famous for a speech he gave - one of the most famous speeches of all time - in which he outlined his vision for a fairer, more just society for everyone. Today we call it the 'I have a dream speech'.

International Club's campaign for fairness for banana farmers continues. They have 6 more days to gather 7,000 signatures in order to receive a response from Government. If everyone in our school community signed it and shared it with one or two others, that would be a great help:

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/619553>

Thank you to the parents that joined the NSPCC Online Safety Workshop on Wednesday evening, we hope that you found it useful. We are aware that a number of parents couldn't join as the session had reached capacity and are working to secure a new date. More information will be shared as soon as we have it.

Congratulations to Miss Greene and Mrs. Walsh who completed the last of their Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) training modules this week. We now have 5 DSLs who you can contact if you have any worries about a child on dsl@stpeters-leatherhead.surrey.sch.uk

We have been having a few IT issues with our clubs booking system - clubs do begin next week and we will get the information out to you as soon as possible.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Richard McKenzie

Headteacher

From Sunday's Gospel...

This Sunday is the **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**.

In this week's Gospel ([Matthew 4:12-23](#)) Jesus

begins to preach in Galilee and calls his first disciples.

Jesus began his ministry by calling people to repent, which means "to turn around". Jesus calls each

and every one of us to turn our lives around and make

following him our most important priority.

Please take time to read the Gospel with your child.



Fond Farewell

In assembly this afternoon, we said a fond farewell to Mrs Richardson who has been a part of St Peter's family for 6 years.

Mrs Richardson has been a very valued member of our team, working with a number of teachers and classes to support children with their learning and development. She leaves us to complete her Counselling Masters Qualification and to take up a position in a new school.

We thank her for all her hard work over the years and wish her all the best in her new role.



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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 [Family Support Worker](#) in confidence and we will do what we can to help you.



Winnie's Weekly Wag

Hello Everyone,

I've had another fantastic week in school - even if it has been a little chilly! Thank you to those lovely children who wrapped up warm and joined me on my walks, this week.

Reuben, Stanley and Harry (Elm), I really enjoyed spending time with you.

Thank you also to my Winnie Monitors (Raphi and Seb) in Chestnut Class for taking such good care of me since we've been back from the Christmas holidays.

Congratulations to Ella in Cherry Class, who was awarded this week's Work of the Week certificate, for her amazing perseverance - particularly in

Maths. Keep up the hard work, Ella!

Have a fantastic weekend everyone!

*Love from,
Winnie* 



Phonics & Reading Meeting

As soon as children begin St Peter's, they start to learn to read. When children are learning to read, it is really important that they are able to practise reading with fully decodable books that are matched to their phonic knowledge. This will enable them to use the letters and phonic sounds that they already know and, with practise, read easily and fluently. As a school we follow the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds phonics programme and our Phonic Texts are organised so that the sounds in the book match the order of the sounds that are being taught in school.

We hugely value the contribution that parents make when it comes to reading and know the impact you can have. **We would like to invite all parents with children in Year R or Year 1 to join us for a Reading Meeting at 9.00am – 9.45am on Tuesday 24th January.**

The meeting will explain how we teach reading at school and how you can support your child. These sessions are most useful for parents whose children are at 'Pre-Reading Practice' sheets stage or are reading using Phonic Texts. If your child is a Rainbow Reader, or reading on the St Peter's Reading Challenge, then this session is not applicable to you.

We are also holding Phonic Workshops in the following weeks where you can join us to experience a phonic session at the same level at which your child is currently, as well as learning more about the sounds taught in each phase.

These sessions are on:

- **Tuesday 31st January at 9.00- 9.30am** – Phase 3 & 4: for parents of children in **Year R**
- **Tuesday 7th January at 9.00-9.30am** – Phase 5: for parents of children in **Year 1**

If you are not able to join us, the handouts and slides will be sent via ParentMail following the meetings. We look forward to seeing you there,

Mrs Julia Bolden & Mrs Marianne McDonnell
Reading Lead & EYFS Lead.



FOSP News

Dates for your diary:

- **Friday 27th January** - Year 6 are hosting a cake sale after school. There will also be nearly new uniform to buy.
- **Thursday 9th February** - mufti day for a suggested donation of £1.

Cheerleaders with Talent

Members of our Wednesday morning Cheerleading Club made a visit to the Britain's Got Talent studios before Christmas to show off their skills.

Scherrikar, their Cheer Coach, is a past Britain's Got Talent contestant and was invited back to share her new team's skills with the show.

The team performed some of the dances and cheer chants that they rehearse in the club along with some stunts and lifts. They were even interviewed for the programme

"It was really cool, we saw all the other acts too" Anna-belle

"It was very exciting seeing all the decorations". Eva

Look out for the team appearing on Britain's Got Talent in April!

If you would like to join Scherrikar's cheerleaders on a Wednesday morning, please get in touch with Scherrikar at sbcheerclub@gmail.com / 07983127155
www.facebook.com/sbcheerleadingclub
www.imdb.me/scherrikarbell



Dates for your diary

23.01.23	Teacher Led Clubs start this week	NEW
24.01.23	Reading Meeting @ 9.00am for parents of children in YR & Y1 (details on Parent mail)	
26.01.23	Closing Date for International Club's Fairtrade Banana Petition— click here to sign	NEW
27.01.23	FOSP Cake Sale & Nearly New Uniform sale after school	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	
31.01.23	Bikeability Level 1 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 Y1 @9.00am	
09.02.23	FOSP Wear What you Love MUFT! day (suggested donation £1) & after school cake sale	NEW
10.02.23	INSET DAY - School Closed for children	
13.02.23 - 17.02.23 Half Term Holiday		
20.02.23	All children return to school	
31.03.23	School finishes for Easter Holidays at 1pm	
3.04.23– 14.03.23 Easter Holidays		
17.04.23	INSET DAY - School Closed for children	
18.04.23	All children return to school	
01.05.23	May Day Bank Holiday - School Closed for children	
08.05.23	Additional Bank Holiday to celebrate Coronation of King Charles III - School Closed for Children	NEW
Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June - Half Term Holiday		
21.07.23	School Closes for the end of the School Year at 1pm	