St Peter's News



3rd February 2023

House Points

St Margaret—528 St Therese—475 St Francis —467

St Philip—407

Attendance Award

Rowan (Y2) 97%

Achievement certificates

Maple - Wojciech
Willow - Amber
Ash - Alexandra
Oak - Raya
Beech - Aoife
Rowan - Jared
Elm - Cloria
Birch - Jack
Hazel - Pheonix
Cherry - Jasmine
and Rosie
Hawthorn - Alice*
Poplar - Riley*
Chestnut - Isla*
Sycamore - Robin*

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

This week in school...

Dear Parents and Children,

We began our week with an assembly for KS2 thinking about Holocaust Memorial Day which was marked on Sunday 29th January. We learnt that Holocaust is the name given to Hitler's attempt to wipe out the Jewish people of Europe. On Holocaust Memorial Day we remember all those who faced such cruelty, both in Nazi Germany and in similar, more recent, horrors around the world - in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur. In our assembly we heard how the Holocaust showed the worst of human behaviour: racism and cruelty. But it also shows us how strong, kind and brave people can be. We reflected on what we should do to help when we see the people in our lives treated cruelly and what we could do to be strong, courageous and kind.

It has been a busy week for many classes with Bikeability happening in Y4, and Y5 & 6 visiting St Andrew's for a dance showcase. The children were a credit to you and their teachers during these activities, listening and engaging with the staff and tutors. Thank you to all the parents from YR that joined us for the phonics workshop - it is always a pleasure to share what we do with others and we hope you found it useful. We look forward to seeing our YI parents this Tuesday.

Don't forget that school is closed for an INSET Day next Friday, where the teachers will be meeting with colleagues from other Catholic primary schools in our Diocese. This is followed by our half term break.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Richard McKenzie

Headteacher

From Sunday's Gospel...

This Sunday is the 5th
Sunday in Ordinary
Time. In this week's
Gospel, (Matthew 5:13-16)
Jesus teaches that his disciples are to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. This is a powerful reminder of our mission as

Church and as Christians.



When we engage in tasks such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, and comforting those who mourn, we show that we act as the light of the world and the salt of the earth, as Jesus taught us. Please take time to read the Gospel with your child.

Fairtrade Petition

Thank you to everyone who shared and signed International Club's Fairtrade Banana petition. We received a brilliant



signatures.

While this is a touch short of the amount needed for a response from Government, it still demonstrates the passion and commitment to Fairtrade issues from our community.

Thank you for all your support.















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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)

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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

Thank you to everyone for all your hard work this week! I've been blown away by all the learning I've seen. Thank you especially to **Elsie (Elm) and Emily (Birch)** for my lovely card and story - I really appreciate the effort you've put in.

My certificate, this week, went to **Stanley C** (Birch) who has impressed Mrs Davies and me with his incredible reading! **Stanley** has completed two books on his Reading Challenge this week and is really motivated, enthusiastic and positive. Well done **Stanley**, keep up the brilliant reading!

Well done also to this week's Winnie Readers: Ivy, Masarrat, Max, Ernie and Oliver (Year I), who were all absolute super-







Chess Masters

Congratulations to **Rohit (Y3)** who took part in the Wey Valley Chess tournament last Sunday and won 2 out of 5 matches.

His parents noticed Rohit's interest in chess during the Covid lockdown period and he started taking lessons last year with Ashtead Chess Club.

Rohit was very proud to take part and complete the tournament, as he was very nervous in his first round, (especially since the match involved timers).

For more information about Ashtead Chess Club, please contact: admin@chessentriesforall.com



Family Support Worker Update

Parent Support

Parenting courses for the Spring term are now available via the Surrey County Council Adult Learning platform. They are on-line, free to attend and range from I-3 sessions at various times/days. The subjects covered include:

- ⇒ Building your child's resilience
- ⇒ Helping your child manage anxiety
- ⇒ Exploring Behaviour strategies
- ⇒ Developing Children's self-esteem

Click on the link to find out more and enrol. <u>Find an adult learning course - Surrey County Council (surreycc.gov.uk)</u>

FOSP News

Thursday 9th February - Wear what you **LOVE** day. Everyone is invited to come into school wearing clothes that they love in return for a day for a **suggested donation of £1** to raise money for the FOSP.

Please make sure all clothing is NAMED and that shoes and clothes are still appropriate for playing and running in.



Sports News

Indoor Athletics

Well done to all those who competed in Last Thursday's indoor athletics tournament. The team dominated in the obstacle relays, winning both our races in the boys' and girls' competitions. We also had a number of 2nd place finishes, including in the girls' 2+2 relay, the boys' I+I relay, the boys' Paarlauf, boys' over/under relay and the boys' 4xI relay. Everyone had a fantastic time, and we were definitely the loudest school at cheering on our team mates! A massive thank you also to all of the parents who helped support the event.

The team was:

Vanessa

Annie

Tabitha

Taia

Kiera-Grace

Seraphine

Zsanna

Edith

Sofia

Annabelle

Mia

Henry

Joshua

Toby Eliott

Dexter

Edward

Freddie

Henry

Thomas Nathan



Cool Running!

Congratulations to **Eliot (Y6)** for who was in action for the Epsom Harriers Indoor Athletics team last Sunday, taking part in various track & field events including hurdles, sprint and standing long jump.

Eliot's team came 4th overall and Eliot has now been invited to take part in a trial for the Surrey County Athletics team this weekend - Good Luck Eliot!





Dance Star

Last weekend, **Leila (Y6 Chestnut)**, along with other members of her junior dance team, took part in the semi-final of the UK's largest group national dancing competition where they performed their routine 'The many adventures of Winnie the Pooh'.

They achieved an amazing 2nd place (out of 27 groups) in their section and have won a place at the National final which takes place in March at the Opera House in Blackpool.

Congratulations Leila. We look forward to hearing how your team does in the finals - Good Luck!

Quids in! - WIN money for our school

WIN Money for our School with the **Swan Centre**, **Leatherhead's** 'Quids for Kids' Campaign.

The idea is simple - schools collect points and the TOP 3 schools with the most points will WIN a cash prize when the competition closes on 31st March 2023.

First prize: £500Second Prize: £350Third prize: £150

To help us collect points, just <u>upload a photo</u> of your receipts every time you shop at The Swan Centre. For every £5 spent until 31st March 2023 they will give you I point, which you can then 'allocate' to St Peter's. (Please note: You do not need to share the detail of your purchases if you do not wish to disclose, just the store name and total amount spent.)

You will be able to keep an eye on each school's points tally to see how well your chosen school is performing in comparison to others and

remember.... Points Mean Prizes!!





SCHOOL CATERING VACANCIES

Term-time only positions with great work-life balance Secure local jobs with regular pay Career opportunities across Surrey Work term-time only, get paid 12 months of the year

https://itstwelve15.co.uk/ work-for-twelve15/

Register your interest, we'll get in touch





GOLDEN TICKET

to receive your Willy Wonka's Whipple Scrumptious Double Chocolate muffin delight

READING DAY MENU!

MAGICAL FISHY WANDS

FUNNYBONES FRIES
& DUMBLEDORE'S BAKED BEANS

PADDINGTON'S PASTA

GRUFFALO GARLIC BREAD
MATILDA'S MIXED SALAD

DESSERT

WILLY WONKA'S WHIPPLE SCRUMPTIOUS DOUBLE CHOCOLATE MUFFIN DELIGHT



Dates for your diary

21.07.23 School Closes for the end of the School Year at Ipm

| 07.02.23 | Phonics Workshop for parents of children in YI @9.00am | |
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| 08.02.23 | Great Fire of London Theatre Group in for Y2 | NEW |
| 09.02.23 | FOSP Wear What you Love MUFTI day (suggested donation £1) & after school cake sale | NEW |
| 10.02.23 | INSET DAY - School Closed for children | |
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| | 13.02.23 - 17.02.23 Half Term Holiday | |
| 20.02.23 | All children return to school | |
| 21.02.23 | Year 6 to Junior Citizen Event | NEW |
| 23.02.23 | Y5 to visit Therfield School for a production of Bugsy Malone (more info to follow) | NEW |
| 27.02.23 | Book Fair in school this week | NEW |
| 28.02.23 | KS2 Swimming Gala at Parkside School Cobham | NEW |
| 02.03.23 | World Book Day Celebrations in school (more info to follow) | NEW |
| 31.03.23 | School finishes for Easter Holidays at 1pm | |
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| 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 | |
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| 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 | |