Embrace excellence through God, to build a better world.

***"Act justly, love mercy, walk humbly with your God."* – Micah 6 v. 8**

14th May 2021

Once again, our Year 6 class have filled our hearts with pride as, this week, they sat their SATs tests and showed true determination to be their very best; they showed such maturity and were all utterly amazing.

Even though the SATs weren't mandatory this year, we wanted to still go ahead with them, partially because they are **one** indicator of 'secondary school readiness', and we want every child to go to secondary school able to achieve their very best, but also because the week tends to be a very positive experience for the children!

Our staff put in an amazing effort to help make the SATs fun, from planning a special breakfast for the class every day (thank you Chef Andrew!) to planning special afternoon treats and trips to the park. A huge thank you to Mr Thomas, Mrs Isaac and Miss Brook for all of their hard work this week, and for preparing the children so well for their SATs. As Sapphira in Year 6 said, "We have had such a lovely week, because our special teachers have been supporting us and making it fun".

Our Year 6 children will also be very prepared, should they ever need to measure the distance between a crocodile's eyes and nose, or calculate how many mangoes there will be if they end up buying 9 trays of mangoes with 40 mangoes per tray.

Year 1

Last Wednesday, Year 1 performed an assembly which can only be described as truly Outstanding! They were amazing, and it was difficult to believe that it was their very first class assembly; it was more like they had been performing for years! The children told us all about the story of Noah's Ark, and shared lots of interesting facts about different animals and their habitats. Every child in the class delivered their lines with such confidence and happiness, it was a joy to see. The children performed so many different songs, which also included solo performances and some excellent dance moves! Well done Year 1, you made us all very proud.

Young Enterprise

On Friday 28th May, Year 6 will lead St Peter's Young Enterprise Day. They will each be given £3, returnable at the end of the event, and will be asked to create a game or activity for the younger children to enjoy. We will be writing to you all shortly to explain the event in greater detail, including details about how we will keep to our current Covid protocols and safety measures, so please look out for the ParentMail letter. It is our hope that all of the children across the school will participate in this special educational event.

Bike It Fortnight

Thank you to everyone who has participated in this year's Bike It event; we are delighted to announce that as a school we came 10th in the regional school's competition, and Year 4 were our winners with 384 active journeys made, closely followed by Year 5 and Reception. I hope that many of you will continue to choose a bike or scooter as your mode of transport to school!

Tutorials

As a school, we have been using our Covid-19 catch-up funding to run before-school and after-school tutorials for different groups of children. These tutorials are having a phenomenal impact, and we wouldn't be able to run them if it weren't for our dedicated team opting in to teach them and extend the school day. It is lovely to see our corridors and rooms filled with children busily learning from 8:00am to 4:30pm! Thank you to our wonderful staff for their dedication in running these.

Summer Performance

Whilst we're not yet sure exactly **how** the summer performance will run, we do know that we will definitely be holding one, and we can't wait to start turning our thoughts towards it!

Our performance will be cast a little differently this year than in previous years, with our Year 6 class performing **all** of the acting roles, and all of our other classes performing the songs as usual. This is because we want to provide as many fun memorable experiences for our Year 6 class as possible, given all of the disruption, and we want to ensure that we're working within our bubbles and current government guidance.

So, here are a few clues as to which musical our performance will be based around this year:

- A big umbrella is a major prop (and we won't need to remember to bring one if the weather continues this way!)
- We certainly won't be testing the children on how to spell one of its most famous songs (or how to say it backwards!)
- We're sure that the performance will be 'practically perfect in every way'

Answers on a postcard please! It promises to be a lot of feel-good fun, and we can't wait to start auditions and rehearsals.

Summer Fair

The PTA are hugely excited to confirm that the summer fair will be taking place this year in St Peter's Square on Saturday 26th June between 11am and 4pm. They will be in touch in the coming days looking for helpers, and to tell you a bit more about what we can look forward to on the day, but in the meantime if anyone would like to help with planning, or has any lovely raffle prizes, please do let them know either at the school gate or on the PTA email - stpetersw6pta@gmail.com

Year 5's Local Geography Trip

This week, Year 5 visited King Street and Ravenscourt Park as part of their local geography unit. As part of this unit, the children are being encouraged to start thinking independently about which geographical questions they would like to investigate, and how they will collect the relevant data. Questions ranged from 'What is great about King Street?' to 'What is the most popular place on King Street?' or 'What are the green spaces like?'. On the trip, children made land use maps, collected data and carried out environmental quality assessments. Next week they will carry out surveys in class to supplement their data, and they will draw conclusions based on their findings.

The class were beautifully behaved on the trip, and were an utter credit to the school.

The History of St Peter's

Martin Miller (one of our Year 6 parents) is currently researching and writing an in-depth book about the history of St Peter's CE Primary School, and has been doing so for the last three years – it is his

legacy. This book will be full of information about our school's rich history since 1849 up to modern times, and he has almost finished the first draft and needs a little bit of help with the editing.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the editing of the first draft of the book, or know anybody who may be able to help, please do get in contact with Martin at mw_miller@hotmail.com

He would also be very interested to hear from you, if you have any historical information which you'd be able to share.

Mr Miller very kindly and generously plans to donate all of the proceeds from the book sales to the school. This truly is a wonderful legacy, and I do hope that we are able to help.

Air Monitor

We are very happy to let you know that an external air pollution monitor has been provided by Airly for 6 months for free, and is fitted at the school. You may have seen it on the corner of the main building facing the middle of the playground:

This has been coordinated by Louisa from the PTA and Kate from the Clean Air Council.

It is a particulate matter (PM) and Gas sensor, so it measures nitrogen dioxide, ozone, PM1, PM2.5 and PM10 (different sized particles of air pollution), and together that data provides an overall air quality index, the CAQI. It also measures temperature, humidity, pressure and wind speed.

You can see the live data from the sensor by downloading the Airly app, which provides you with a map. Click on the green icon at St Peter's to see the data from the sensor, including charts at the bottom for more detail.

While on the subject of air pollution, please try to avoid driving past the school during drop-off and pick-up times, and dropping children off close to the school, as this creates a hazard and increased pollution. Thank you all.

Request for Rugs

For Reception & Key Stage 1 lunchtimes, Miss Mason would love to be able to place some rugs on the ground, so that children can sit on them comfortably to play with items such as lego or dolls, or read during playtime. If you have any spare picnic blankets/rugs at home (or fabric which could work as a rug) we'd be very grateful for any donations. Thank you.

House Points

	7th May	14th May	Running Total (for this term)
Rock	680	391	2006
Fisher	739	302	1951
Cross	618	395	1936
Keys	753	349	2009

Acting Headteacher's Award

	7th May	14th May
Reception	Poppy and Clara	Zach and Jamie
Year 1	Whole class for an amazing assembly	Otto and Ben
Year 2	Avestan and Phoebe	Oskar and Eliagh
Year 3	Nicole and Matilda	Gabriella and Eliza
Year 4	Betsy and Namkhai	Elisa and Zai
Year 5	Isabelle and Florence	Thomas and Stella
Year 6	Ezana and Emma	All of the Class! Angelique and Holly

Citizenship Award

Children can be nominated for a Citizenship Award by other pupils, parents and staff members. Currently, we are looking for nominations for children who have displayed acts of **justice,** as this is the Christian Value as a school we are focusing upon this half term.

7th May – Chloe (Year 2), Stanley (Year 1), Alfie (Year 1), Risha (Year 2), Giorgio (Year 5), Tom (Year 5), Miss Royer (Year 5)

14th May – Mr Thomas, Ms Brooke and Mrs Isaac (Year 6), Ms Browne (Year 2), Carla (Year 4), Thomas (Year 5), Sebastian (Year 5), Sofia (Year 3), Harry (Year 1), Mrs Todaro (Year 1), Eliona (Year 5) and Kyeiwah May (Year 6)

Bikes on Railings

We kindly ask that bikes are stored in school; sometimes they are tied on to the railings outside of school, and this means the pavement is made narrower for the children when walking to and from the Scott Building, which does sometimes cause problems. Thank you all.

Medicines in School

If your child is required to take prescribed medicine during the school day, please ensure that it is given in via the school office, we need parental permission in order to administer any medication. For health and safety reasons, children are not allowed to keep any medications in their bags.

Website

Please remember to log on to our website to view your child's class page at www.stpetersce.lbhf.sch.uk

The blogs are updated weekly by the class teacher, and they will share information about what the children have been learning about this week, celebrate success, and share with you what will be learnt next week.

We also have a Twitter account which you can find here:

https://twitter.com/St_Peters_CE

Please do give us a follow!

Finally…

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to speak to myself, Mrs Noonan or your child's class teacher. We are always here to help, and believe greatly in the importance of good communication between home and school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Zalar

Acting Headteacher

Dates for This Half Term

20/05/21	9am	Year 3 Class Assembly (virtual)
20/05/21	6pm	Residential trip meeting for Year 5 parents
26/05/21		Environmental Day
27/05/21	9am	Year 2 Class Assembly (virtual)
28/05/21		Year 6 Young Enterprise Day
WC 31/05/21		**Half Term**