

SAINT PETER AT GOWTS 13.10.2023

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear St Peter's Families,

HAPPY 50th BIRTHDAY to ST PETER'S AS WE KNOW IT!

It has been a fabulous week celebrating our birthday! As you will have seen our Virtual Biking Pilgrimage to Bingen, Germany is well underway and we will complete it next week. If you haven't peddled yet there is still time! Thank you for suggesting charities that we could raise money for. Through a **democratic vote**, which was led by the School Council, the children chose Heartlink Children's Charity. So far we have raised over £200, thank you for your generosity and please feel free to donate on our Just Giving link



https://www.justgiving.com/page/stpeters-50th-birthday?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fs tpeters-50th-birthday&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share

Thank you for supporting us with our **Community Acts of Kindness Afternoon** which has hopefully helped **empower our community of hope**. As a school we felt very strongly about embracing Acts of Kindness in our community and have included many things, for example, positivity pebbles, positive messages and artwork, fairy book drops and friendship bracelets. The children thoroughly enjoyed preparing all the items and we hope you did too.

At the childrens' request we sang happy birthday and had cake with our special celebratory lunch. I think we'd all agree that a party isn't a party without cake!



As always, thank you for your continued support,

Emily Mayer Headteacher

SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Car Parking - it has come to our attention that some parents may not be parking and/or driving sensibly around school. Some parents have been reversing out of Pennell Street onto the main High Street, this is highly dangerous and we are advising that this is **not** to happen for the safety of our children and other's. We appreciate that parking is a difficulty now the permit restrictions are in place, however Lincoln City football ground have kindly offered several parking areas and not all streets further up the High Street are restricted. For further information please come and speak to the office.

Online Safety - Roblox is extremely popular with our primary school children and in most cases is a safe and fun game that they enjoy, however there are multiple games within this that may not be suitable for primary age children to be accessing. Below are some parental safety tips to ensure your child is kept safe online, but most importantly talk to your child about online safety and take an interest in what they are accessing online. If you would like to know more you can register as a parent on the National Online Safety website, this has a wealth of valuable resources, training and information for parents. - https://nationalcollege.com/auth/login

<u>Enable Account Pin</u> - Parents can add a four-digit PIN to lock an account and prevent any changes being made to account settings without permissions, including password, privacy and settings.

- Log into the Roblox account
- Go to account settings

Brower: located in the upper-right hand corner

Mobile App: three dots in 'More'

- Select 'Parental Controls'
- Toggle the PIN option
- Create a PIN and confirm it

<u>Enable Account Restrictions</u> - Parents can enable Account Restrictions to increase security and control over content. Enabling restrictions will automatically lock the accounts Contact Setting to 'No One' meaning users can't send messages, chat in the app or a game. They also won't be able to access games on restricted lists.

These lists are pre-approved and verified as appropriate for users under the age of 13, by Roblox based on ratings from the Entertainment Software Rating Board (ESRB).

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Browser: located in the upper-right hand corner

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- Select 'Parental Controls'
- Toggle the Account Restrictions button
- The button will turn green and a message will be displayed: "Account Restrictions is currently enabled"

Enabling Chat Functions

- Log into the Roblox account
- Go to account settings

Browser: located in the upper-right hand corner

Mobile App: three dots in 'More'

- Select 'Privacy'
- Select 'No one' under the "Who can chat with me?" option

NSPCC have developed a paper to research the potential safeguarding concerns that immersive technology may have upon our children. We would just like to raise your awareness that online safety concerns can happen via reality products too - Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR) and as educators and parents we need to ensure the safety of the experiences whilst children are using immersive technology.

ATTENDANCE

Following on from the ParentMail sent last week the Attendance Team will be collating the whole school data and sharing with parents at parents evening. If your child's attendance figure is under 90% then a meeting may be arranged with Mrs Robinson or Mrs Wilson to discuss and support further. Holidays and time off in term time still remains as unauthorised, unless the headteacher deems the request as an 'exceptional circumstance'. Please refer to the information sent via ParentMail or our Attendance Policy can be accessed via our school website under school information - policy tabs.

PTA

Party Time!!! Save the date **Thursday 9th November** for our school Festival of Light disco.



The cost of the ticket is £5 per child, this includes a hotdog, biscuit, juice and a reusable foam LED glow baton. The times of the disco are as follows -

Reception & KS1 (Yr 1 & 2) - 3.15pm - 4.30pm KS2 (Yr 3,4, 5 & 6) - 4.45pm - 6pm

Since last summer school has changed disco providers and the last disco went down like a storm with children telling us it was 'the best disco ever'.

Do not miss out on your child/rens tickets. They will be available to purchase at parents evening (16th and 18th October) and after half term from the office and the PTA will be selling them before and after school on most days running up to the event.



DIARY DATES

I have read so many of these books, which are part of the series known as 'Big Ideas for Little Philosophers'. I love how this one links to our current value of 'Honesty'. Each one of these books are about big concepts such as love, wisdom, equality and happiness. They tell you about different philosophers and have big juicy questions written throughout. This book focuses on 'Socrates' and his thoughts on the truth. He said that wisdom means being truthful and honest. One of the questions he asks in the book is...What is something you always wonder about? I wonder what your responses are to this question at home...

Monday 16th October - Y1 at Forest School Monday 16th October - **School clubs cancelled due to Parents Evening** Monday 16th October & Wednesday 18th October - Parents Evening Tuesday 17th October - Y6 Visit to IBCC Wednesday 18th October - SEND Parent Forum (in school) Friday 20th October - Children finish for half term Friday 27th October - Deposit required for Y3 Rand Farm Residential Tuesday 31st October - Children return to school Tuesday 31st October - Deadline for Y6 Secondary School applications Wednesday 8th November - School Immunisation Team in school Thursday 9th November - School Disco

Term Dates

Please do take note of these term dates and remember that every day in school is vital for all children.

- Term 1 Wednesday 6th September 2023 to Friday 20th October 2023
- Term 2 Tuesday 31st October 2023 to Wednesday 20th December 2023
- Term 3 Wednesday 3rd January 2024 to Friday 9th February 2024
- Term 4 Monday 19th February 2024 to 28th March 2024
- Term 5 Tuesday 16th April 2024 to Friday 24th May 2024
- Term 6 Monday 3rd June 2024 to Friday 19th July 2024