

# SAINT PETER AT GOWTS - 17th March 2023

#### FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear St Peter's Families,

Our children have once again completed some fabulous learning! The Holi festival has been a key focus in our whole school collective worship and in our Nursery and Reception classes. The children embraced the excitement of the festival and thoroughly enjoyed splattering the paint!

To extend our club provision even further, Mr Magee has started a chess club at lunchtimes. Research has shown that chess is a brilliant game to help develop the memory and problem-solving strategies. The children are also finding it great fun! Thank you Mr Magee!



Our teacher parent meetings are next week. This is a brilliant time for you to discuss your child's learning and any concerns you may have. Please book a time slot on either Monday or Wednesday. During the evenings, we will have a cake sale to raise money for the people that were affected by the earthquake in Turkey. Thank you to Mrs Billinghurst and the PTA for organising and supporting the fundraising event. The Book Fair will also be in school. **Please note** 



that the payment for the Book Fair will be card only. We look forward to welcoming you into school.

Our nursery places are filling up for September! If your child is two or three in September 2023 and you would like a place at our nursery, please do come in and see us. We can explain the times and sessions we have available and give you the relevant forms.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Emily Mayer** 

### COMIC RELIFE



Today was a brilliant day full of jokes, laughter and Red Noses! And, of course, very importantly raising lots of money for a very worthy charity. Our online fundraiser through JustGiving has, at the time of writing this, reached almost £100. We are really pleased with the success of this and look forward to using digital donations more in the future. We also have lots of pennies to count and have completely sold out of Red Noses!

All money raised will be donated directly to Comic Relief and we hope to share the final total with you over the next few days. Comic Relief supports lots of

charities and, thanks to donations, Comic Relief is able to support amazing projects and organisations who are making a difference for people across the UK and around the world. This link (<a href="https://www.comicrelief.com/what-your-money-does">https://www.comicrelief.com/what-your-money-does</a>), will take you to the Comic Relief website where you can find out how they support people to break free from the effects of poverty, and from violence and discrimination, whether they're impacted by the cost of living crisis, the drought in East Africa, or the recent, heart-breaking earthquake in Syria and Turkey, to name but a few things.

If you would still like to donate, you can do so by using our JustGiving link below:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/spag-comicrelief23?utm\_source=copyLink&utm\_medium=one page&utm\_content=page/spag-comicrelief23&utm\_campaign=pfp-share&utm\_term=b9edbe6659 87492a9573ac09c14a1442

# Music and Drama Festival





Wow! What a week. Children across the school have been performing at the Music and Drama festival. We are incredibly proud of their achievements. Year 2 came away with a third place and our duos, trios and quartets all achieved first and second places. On Friday we saw our KS2 choir take to the stage and we were

blown away with their wonderful performance. A huge well done to all these children, who have shown confidence and represented our school beautifully.

#### SAFEGUARDING

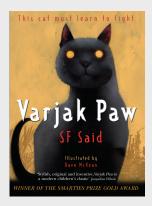
Following on from the previous newsletter we had discussed the support around Parental Conflict, sometimes this may escalate to relationships becoming abusive and affecting the victim in numerous ways. If you feel you may be affected by domestic abuse or someone you know please do reach out. In school you can approach any of the deputy Safeguarding Leads or if you feel at

risk of danger or immediate harm please call the Police on 999. Other agencies that can support are EDANlincs 01522 510041. Below is a YouTube link which provides you with awareness information.

https://edanlincs.org.uk/

<u>Lincolnshire Domestic Abuse Partnership - Common Domestic Abuse Myths - YouTube</u>

# Mrs Thorne's Book Recommendations



My recommendation is Varjak Paw. We read this in Year 4 as our class novel and everyone, including the adults were all hooked from the start! This book has action, adventure and an element of mystery that kept us all on the edge of our seats.

Varjak Paw is a Mesopotamian Blue cat from a large family that live comfortably inside the Contessa's large, grand house. Yet, when the Gentleman arrives with his odd black cats, Varjak and his grandfather the Elder Paw believe that something strange is going on.

We were all excited to learn that there is also a sequel to this book so that the adventures of Varjak would continue.

# PTA

The next event for the PTA is Bingo Night with Mr Magee! This will be held on Tuesday 28th March straight after school for our Yr2-Yr6 children. Tickets include several fun games of bingo with Mr Magee as our Bingo Caller, prizes plus pizza from Kidz Kitchen and are priced at £5 per child. Tickets are being sold after school and will also be available to purchase at the Parents' Evening. This is our first Bingo event and we are really excited!



# DIARY DATES

W/c 20th March - Book Fair in school

W/c 20th March - Last week for clubs

Monday 20th March & Wednesday 22nd March - Parents' Evenings

Thursday 23rd March - Final day for photograph orders

Tuesday 28th March - Nursery visit to Pennells Garden Centre

Tuesday 28th March - PTA Bingo Night

Friday 31st March - Easter Service in Church

Friday 31st March - Last day of term

# TERM DATES

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

Term 4 - Monday 20th February 2023 to Friday 31st March 2023

Term 5 - Tuesday 18th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023

Term 6 - Monday 5th June 2023 to Friday 21st July 2023