

SAINT PETER AT GOWTS

NOTES FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear All,

I am pleased to report that the term is going well at St. Peter's. Covid hasn't affected us too much as yet, with no positive cases and bubble closures. The children are very settled and enjoying their learning, especially the enrichment that is taking place this term - the excitement for PGL and the residentials is huge!

We are disappointed to announce that we are unable to host parents for our Sports Days, but we hope parents will understand the risks involved with people gathering unstructured in large groups. We are, however pleased to announce that our Year 5/6 performance will go ahead in some way - either outside, with reduced numbers or online. We are currently risk assessing this event to make it safe for all involved.

There are so many wonderful things happening at the moment - this week saw a printing workshop for Years 2 and 6, with the outcomes being displayed at Doddington Hall over the summer. Year 3 have also taken part in a brilliant photography project with the university. It is great to see these opportunities for learning opened up again in a covid safe way.

As we look to the future we are excited to announce the teaching staff for next year. There are very few changes and the staff know the children very well already in the majority of classrooms.

Nursery - Mrs Cook and Mrs Billinghurst

Year R - Miss Budden Year 1 - Mrs Pinney Year 2 - Mrs Park Year 3 - Miss Smith Year 4 - Mrs Thorne and Miss Carter Year 5 - Miss Hayward Year 6 - Mrs Bradley

Deputy Headteacher and non-classed based teacher - Mrs Mayer Sports Champion - Mr Magee SENDCOs - Mrs Mayer and Mrs Cook

Please do come and see me if you would like any more information about the teaching staffing structure for next year. We hope the children enjoy the end of term arrangements for June and July, a great end to a very strange year!!

Charlotte Hickerton

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We have had very generous donations for the Wear it Wild day. The current total stands at £230! A huge well done to Eco Club for suggesting this wonderful day, it has been amazing to see all the great costumes and outfits.

SPORTS WEEK - DATE FOR THE DIARY

Monday 5th July kicks off a jam packed week of sporting activity including orienteering, parkour, judo, kickboxing, cricket, multi-sports and lots more!

Children will be engaged with sports throughout the week including in their maths and English. We are inviting all children and staff to come to school in PE/sports kits every day in Sports week.

During the week you will be able to follow all the excitement on our Twitter accounts using #SPAGsports and in addition we would love to see the children

competing/playing/practicing sport at home so please celebrate sport with us and send us your photos on Twitter using #SPAGsports as we have lots of prizes for the best pictures.

Thank you,

Mr S Magee, Sports Leader

TRIPS, TRIPS AND MORE TRIPS!

We are so excited that we are able to take the children on school trips again. We have lots of them planned for the summer term.

Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd June - Y3 Rand Farm Residential Thursday 24th June - Y5 PGL Day Visit Thursday 1st July - Whole school beach trip! Thursday 15th & Friday 16th July - Y6 camping at Sudbrooke

VALUE FOR THE TERM - CREATION AND CREATIVITY

"The creation of something new is not accomplished by the intellect but by the play instinct acting from inner necessity. The creative mind plays with the objects it loves." Carl Jung

Our new theme is Creation and Creativity. The Bible opens with an account of how God created the Universe and all the things within it. Along with this gift, we have also been handed the responsibility for looking after this planet - something that most would agree that we could do a better job at! The children are enjoying appreciating the awe and wonder of creation no matter what their faith and personal beliefs are, together with the key aspect of respecting our world.







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UNIFORM DEVELOPMENTS

Thank you so much to those of you who completed our survey about school uniform. The children and staff are now being polled to see what changes will be made. Please do not rush to buy your uniform for next year until it is decided! We look forward to being able to know the outcome next week and working with Uniform Direct to have the new uniform ready in July. We are very excited to develop a smart, new school uniform!

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd June - Y3 Rand Farm Residential Thursday 24th June - Y5 PGL Day Visit Thursday 1st July - Whole school beach trip W/c Monday 5th July - Sports Week Thursday 15th & Friday 16th July - Y6 camping at Sudbrooke Wednesday 21st July - Children finish for the summer holidays

TERM DATES

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

Term 1 - Monday 6th September 2021 to Thursday 21st October 2021

Term 2 - Monday 1st November 2021 to Friday 17th December 2021

Term 3 - Tuesday $4^{\rm th}$ January 2022 to Friday $11^{\rm th}$ February 2022

Term 4 - Monday 21st February 2022 to Thursday 31st March 2022

Term 5 - Wednesday 20th April 2022 to Friday 27th May 2022

Term 6 - Monday 6th June 2022 to Friday 22^{nd} July 2022