



SAINT PETER AT GOWTS

UNLOCKING POTENTIAL IN ALL, EMPOWERING A COMMUNITY OF HOPE
20TH MAY 2022

NOTES FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear All,

The Summer Term seems to be moving very fast, with lots of exciting things coming up in the diary, and much to celebrate. We look forward to the planned trips and visits. I'm still in awe of Nursery taking so many children and adults to Sundown Adventure Land. This will have been such a special trip which the children will remember forever. I certainly remember this from my childhood, a really magical experience for all. We are also really looking forward to the Platinum Jubilee celebrations, such a special occasion and a historical milestone that is hugely significant.

Last week we were so delighted to announce the publication of our Ofsted Section 8 report - the first school in Lincolnshire to be judged as potentially 'Outstanding' pending a Section 5 inspection. We are unbelievably proud and swamped with well wishes and congratulations from schools across the county. The school was judged very highly in absolutely all areas, no areas of weakness. Whilst it feels like it happened a long time ago and it seems old news, this achievement will be cemented in our school's history for years to come. We were delighted that our efforts during the pandemic and post-pandemic were acknowledged, ensuring the children didn't fall behind. The following ideas really seemed to stand out in the report

- Ambition and aspiration - wanting the best for children and aiming high
- Excellence - striving for the best possible outcomes
- Diversity and inclusion - we love that everyone is different and all are welcomed and included
- Experiences - inspiring children through trips, residential and visitors
- Pride in the school - we are all so proud of our St. Peter's family and their achievements!
- Well planned curriculum and sequenced curriculum
- Reading - a real focus on learning to read and reading to learn
- Early years - a well resourced and inspiring start to learning in the EYFS
- Care, nurture and safeguarding - always top of the list
- Exciting lessons - motivated pupils who care about learning and remembering more



This will now mean that the school will be re-inspected to see whether it is fully 'outstanding' within 18 months. In the meantime, we are planning a post-Ofsted treat for the children, potentially involving ice cream and something else - the school council are in deep discussions!

I hope to see you at the tea parties next week (there's circus skills and country dancing!). In the meantime, please do digest the contents of the newsletter and stay up to date with all the events for the Summer Term.

Charlotte Hickerton

ARTS WEEK

Next week we will be rounding off the term with a 'Right Royal Arts Week' to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. During this week the children will be creating royal jubilee themed artwork, including portraits and place mats. We will also be having various workshops and activities during the week including, storytelling, bunting making, country dancing and circus skills.



As part of our 'Right Royal Arts Week' each class will be having a Jubilee tea party on **Thursday 26th May**. Parents are invited to join us on the school playground to celebrate with their child at the tea party. Times are as follows -

9.45am - 10.30am - Year 3 and Year 4

10.45am - 11.30am - Year 1, Year 2 and Nursery (morning only pupils)

1.00pm - 1.45pm - Reception and Nursery (afternoon and all day pupils)

2.00pm - 2.45pm - Year 5 and Year 6

We hope you can join us in celebrating this special time.



FREEZE POP FRIDAYS

It is that time of year again when our fabulous PTA runs the Freeze Pop Friday's!! This happens at the end of school every Friday through the summer term, if your child would like a freeze pop please don't forget your pennies or send them in with their pennies. Prices start from 20p per lolly.



WEAR IT WILD DAY



Eco-Club are inviting everyone to take part in WEAR IT WILD DAY next half term on **Friday 10th June**. On this day, children and adults are invited to come into school wearing something WILD for a small donation! This could be animal print, an animal themed item of clothing or full on animal themed fancy dress! This is a brilliant fundraiser for the WWF and was lots of fun when we last took part in school.

FAMILY LEARNING - LET'S TALK

There is an exciting opportunity for EAL parents of children in Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 to join a FREE Family learning course Let's Talk for EAL Parents.

The course will help you and your child develop English as their second language and to learn basic phrases to help your child settle in to the classroom more quickly.

Please come and see Mrs Kinga Wilson for more information.

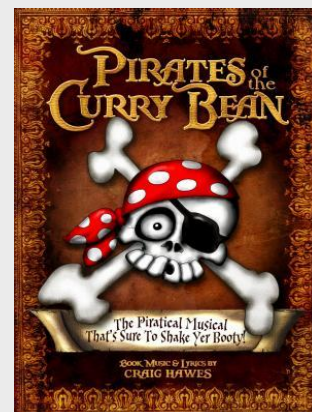


PTA UPDATES

Please see diary dates for PTA events this term. The PTA tirelessly fundraise for the benefit of the children at our school. Please let's support them this term!

Y6 END OF YEAR PRODUCTION

We are pleased to announce that the end of year Y5/6 production has now been decided. The Y5 and 6 children are currently busy auditioning, learning songs and getting their props ready for their production of 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'. This will be a wonderful performance and a real celebration of the children's musical and dramatic talents.



DIARY DATES

W/c 23rd May - Right Royal Arts Week
24th & 27th May - Year 1 Phonics Screening Parents Meetings
24th May - Year 6 London Residential Parents Meeting
25th May - Year 5 & Year 6 Visit to The National Space Centre
26th May - Jubilee Tea Party
27th May - Reception visit to Wolds Wildlife Park
Friday 27th May - Finish for half term
6th June - Children return to school
7th June - Y4 Forest School Visit
7th - 9th June - Y6 London Residential

9th June - Bag2School drop off day (PTA)
10th June - Wear it Wild Day
13th June - Year 4 Visit to Lincoln Cathedral Discovery Centre
17th June - Non-Uniform Day (PTA)
22nd & 23rd June - Y3 & Y4 Visiting Lincolnshire Show
1st July - Summer Extravaganza (PTA)
18th July - Oscars After Party Disco (PTA)

TERM DATES

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

Term 5 - Tuesday 19th April 2022 to Friday 27th May 2022

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

