

St Peter at Gowts Primary CE School Newsletter 2020

Notes from the Headteacher

Dear All,

It's beginning to look at lot like Christmas at St. Peter's! You will find our Christmas leaflet that is being sent today, filled will lots of wonderful things that we have planned. We have collated most of the key information so hopefully it doesn't feel too overwhelming, we have lots planned that the whole family will enjoy! Thanks to our wonderful PTA for all their ideas and the support they give to make sure the children won't be missing out this Christmas!

As we start to feel more confident developing our provision during the pandemic, I would urge all parents to keep up to date with everything that is happening. The way to do this is through our main online platforms which include

- Google classroom (teaching and learning)
- Twitter (information and celebration)
- Facebook (celebration and reminders)
- Parentmail (ALL information, organisation, events, reminders and payments)
- Tapestry (Nursery and Reception)

In particular, please do take the time to learn about Google Classroom. If your child has to self isolate and is in Year 2 upwards, this will be the main platform for teaching and learning to be shared. It is such a great way for children to interact with their teacher, use online quizzes, debate and share their learning. I know that it may feel like another world, but the children LOVE using it, and even without Covid, it is a highly effective tool for setting homework and sharing learning.

I hope the news about tier 3 and Christmas has not impacted on you and your family too much. These are indeed challenging times, but rest assured at St. Peter's, Christmas is happening, just in different ways. We look forward to a special and meaningful Advent.....

Take care and keep safe, Mrs Hickerton



27th November 2020

Diary Dates

W/c 30th Nov - Reverse Advent - Foodbank Donation 1st December - Christmas Decorations in 4th December - Non-Uniform Day - Hamper Donation 4 & 11th December - Christmas Card Post Box Open W/c 7 Dec - Reverse Advent Homeless Sock Challenge 10th December - Christmas Raffle Live via Facebook 11th December - Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day 11th December - Virtual Pantomime Visit 14th December - PTA Extravaganza Day 17th December - Christingle & Carol Service 17th December - End of Term 4th January 2021 - Children return to school

Wonder Days



Unfortunately, this term we will not be able to hold our usual learning exhibitions where children can showcase their amazing homework projects and learning in class from the term.

However, because we feel

that this is such an important and valuable part of our children's learning, we have decided that we will be holding a 'virtual learning exhibition' instead. So that you can be a part of this, each class will be creating a film of their learning this term which will be posted on the school Facebook community group and Twitter.

To ensure that we have time to create these videos with the class, please can homework projects for year 1-6 be brought into school on Monday 7th December. All classes will be resending topic homework sheets home again just in case they have been misplaced.

