

SAINT PETER AT GOWTS

NOTES FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear All,

This week has been another busy week at St Peters! But I do not think there would have been a better way to finish off this half term than by celebrating Arts Week. The children have wowed me all week with their creations inspired by creation. From nursery, all the way up to Year 6, we have seen dancing, painting, drawing, sculpting and lots of in-depth conversations around the work of different artists, designers and architects. We were very excited to share the children's hard work with you this afternoon.



Values-based Education VbE Enhanced Quality Mark As you may have seen on Twitter, we had some very special visitors last week. On Tuesday 18th May, we were visited by Neil and Jane Hawkes from Values-based Education. We have been a values-based school for quite some time now but last week we were awarded the

Enhanced VbE Quality Mark. This is prestigious award, recognising the school's profound and wideranging use of values-based education in improving the quality of provision and practice for pupils. Neil and Jane were blown away with the school, the children, the staff, the governors and the entire school community. We were honoured and humbled to have achieved this award. I would like to share with you the final comment from the written review.

It is hard to do justice in a summing up of St. Peter of Gowts CE Primary School. We think these words come close: "This is a school that is a microcosm of what the world could be."

Wow.

After such a busy term, we hope that you and your families have a safe and relaxing Bank Holiday weekend and half term holiday. The weather forecast is sunny so let's hope it stays that way! We look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 7th June.

Charlotte Hickerton

KEEPING BUSY OVER HALF TERM

If you would like something to keep your children busy over the week off, why not make a start on their topic homework projects. Teachers have uploaded the homework projects sheets onto Google Classroom. More information will be shared about the hand in date and wonder days next half term.

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ECO-CLUB UPDATE

Eco-Club have been working very hard this term on their big project - designing and making eco-friendly beeswax sandwich wraps. Thank you to everyone who took part in the market research survey. More information about when and where these wraps will be available will be coming very soon. All money raised will be going to WWF.



WEAR IT WILD DAY

In addition to their beeswax sandwich wraps project, the Eco-Club will also be inviting everyone to take part in WEAR IT WILD DAY next half term on Friday 18th 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.

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



We are also pleased to announce that Y6 will be going camping at the Scout campsite in Sudbrooke. The staff are busying putting together a fun-filled timetable of climbing, cooking, campfires and much more!

Thursday 15th & Friday 16th July - Y6 camping at Sudbrooke

Y5/6 ARE GOING TO BE PUBLISHED AUTHORS!



We are proud to announce that our Y5/6 are going to be published authors! Last term, the children took part in a mini-saga writing competition where they needed to write a 100 word story. These stories were submitted to a judging panel who were totally blown away with the quality of the writing in Y5/6 and decided to publish them all. The book is going to print as we speak. We look forward to sharing their stories with you after half term when the books are delivered to school. Well done, Y5/6! G

FAMILY LEARNING IS BACK

Family Learning is up and running again after a year and a half! It has been wonderful to see the children learning and having fun alongside their parents in school again. More information can be found about Family Learning on our website at: <u>https://www.st-peter-gowts.lincs.sch.uk/family-learning-2/</u>.



CHATTERBOX IS COMING BACK

We are delighted that Neville from Lincoln City Foundation is able to start his Chatterbox group again after half term. This group is for any parent or grandparent, who would like to develop their English speaking skills in a friendly environment. The group will be running every Thursday from 2pm-3pm at school. If you are interested in joining the group, please complete the form sent via Parentmail. If you would like to know any more about the group, please contact me Mrs Cook or Mrs Wilson.



LITTLE LEARNERS

September nursery places are filling up fast! If you have a child aged 2-4 and are looking for a nursery place please make sure you get in touch with us ASAP. More information can be found about Little Learners on our website at: <u>https://www.st-peter-gowts.lincs.sch.uk/nursery/</u>.

Y6 END OF YEAR PRODUCTION

We are pleased to announce that the end of Y6 production will be going ahead this year. The Y6 children are currently busy auditioning, learning songs and getting their smashing tights ready for their production of 'ROBIN AND THE SHERWOOD HOODIES'. We are hoping to perform the show in front of a live audience if restrictions continue to ease as planned but Mrs Bradley has a Plan B (and C) ready just in case.



DIARY DATES

Friday 28th May - Children finish for half term Monday 7th June - Children return to school Friday 18th June - Wear it Wild Day (Non-uniform day) 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 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 $1^{\rm st}$ November 2021 to Friday $17^{\rm th}$ December 2021
- Term 3 Tuesday 4th January 2022 to Friday 11th February 2022
- Term 4 Monday 21st February 2022 to Thursday 31st March 2022
- Term 5 Tuesday 19th April 2022 to Friday 27th May 2022
- Term 6 Monday 6th June 2022 to Friday 22^{nd} July 2022