



**SAINT PETER AT GOWTS - 9.2.2024**

## FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear St Peter's Families,

We have had a very busy term! The children have been working extremely hard on their learning and enjoying the rich curriculum offered at St Peter's. DT week has been extremely successful and the children have enjoyed developing their food, textile and lever skills. They have created unique and individual designs, made the products and evaluated them.

As a school we have also been talking about Children's Mental Health Week with a spotlight on the children using their voice. Over the last two terms, our values of love and self-belief have linked well with our mental health awareness as positive affirmations have been a focus. The children have been developing strategies and ideas to share with each other to empower people to have positive mental wellbeing in our community. We have also invested in wellbeing resources to support our children.



As you will be aware, we have had our Ofsted inspection this term and we look forward to sharing our report with you. The staff and children were fabulous and we would like to thank you for your support.

The first Thursday back after half term (22.2.24) will be our Year 4 Collective Worship where our children will lead the worship focused on our values. We thoroughly enjoy these opportunities to share our values with our community and we look forward to welcoming our Bishop's Visitor, Sue Frecklington.

Kind regards,

Emily Mayer  
Headteacher

## DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY WEEK

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This week has been a wonderful opportunity for the children to get stuck into their termly DT projects. Children have been able to explore products from the real world including toy cars, packaging and even Subway sandwiches. Through exploration, they have been given ideas to support them when designing their own products and the children have then been able to put any new skills or techniques into practice within the making stage of the process. All of the projects are presented with a purpose in mind and all children will evaluate their final products, looking at whether they fit the criteria or if they would change something.

Please speak to your child about their projects to find out more about:

Year 1 - Wheels and axles - Toy cars

Year 2 - Preparing fruits and vegetables - Vegetable kebabs

Year 3 - Shell structures (using computer-aided design) - Boxes full of positive affirmations

Year 4 - Healthy and varied diet - Subway rolls and toasties

Year 5 - Mechanical systems - Toys with moving parts (Cams)

Year 6 - Electrical systems - Circuit games

## DEFEAT THE SWEET

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We have been invited to join a Lincolnshire campaign to reduce the amount of sugar in our diet. We look forward to working with the children on this project as we know they will have some fabulous ideas! Here's some information from Lincolnshire County Council -

*This project has been created by the Food Education Team (LCC) and Public Health. With children's health in mind, we would like to work with schools to reduce added sugar in children's diets across the school day. We know that rates of childhood obesity and dental decay are higher in many areas of Lincolnshire than the regional and national average. Most children consume much more added sugar than their recommended daily allowance, so we'd like schools to pledge to reduce sugar in order to promote better health and encourage healthier lifestyle choices.*



## POLITE REMINDER - PARKING

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As you will be aware, parking can be very difficult at St Peter's especially as it is now resident parking. When you drop off and pick up your children, please park safely to protect yourselves and everyone in our school community. Thank you for your support.

## PTA

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Once again a huge thank you to all our families for attending and supporting the PTA school disco!! The children, as always, had an amazing time, busting some moves and having fun with their friends!

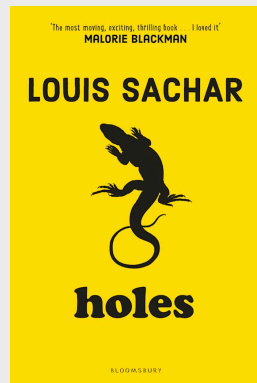
Once the PTA have finalised the figures this will be communicated via our school Facebook page, keep an eye out!



The next event to be held is a Family Fun Bingo on 20th March from 3.45pm this is open from Reception to year 6 and will be a ticket event only on a first come first serve basis, so save the date and make sure you don't miss out!!!! Keep an eye out for when tickets go on sale.

## MRS THORNE'S BOOK REVIEW

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Our current Year 6 class novel and such an exciting read!

Plot lines woven together, twists and turns throughout keep you on the edge of your seat and wanting to read more right until the last page!

Stanley Yelnats, a boy who has bad luck due to a curse placed on his great-great-grandfather, is sent to Camp Green Lake, a juvenile detention camp, for a crime he did not commit. Stanley and the other boys at the camp are forced to dig large holes in the dirt every day.

The evil warden of the camp claims that digging a hole each day is the way to turn a bad boy into a good boy. Every day, Stanley must toil in the blazing sun and dig his own hole. But is that all there is to it- or must Stanley dig up the truth?

## DIARY DATES

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Friday 9th February - Children finish for half term  
Monday 19th February - Children return to school  
Thursday 22nd February - Year 4 Class Family Collective Worship  
Friday 29th February - Class Photographs  
W/c Monday 4th March - Book Week  
Thursday 7th March - World Book Day  
Friday 15th March - School Clubs Finish  
Wednesday 20th March - Family Fun Bingo

## TERM DATES

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

Term 1 - Wednesday 6th September 2023 to Friday 20th October 2023

Term 2 - Tuesday 31st October 2023 to Wednesday 20th December 2023

**Term 3 - Wednesday 3rd January 2024 to Friday 9th February 2024**

**Term 4 - Monday 19th February 2024 to 28th March 2024**

Term 5 - Tuesday 16th April 2024 to Friday 24th May 2024

Term 6 - Monday 3rd June 2024 to Friday 19th July 2024