



*We show our love for God, in the way we treat each other.
Together we follow Jesus, by learning, and sharing our gifts.*

SS Peter & Paul's Catholic Primary School



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UNICEF article of the month: Article 17

Every child has the right to reliable information from the mass media.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week was a little quieter than last week, but still busy. On Monday, Y6 attended a Junior Citizenship event at the TA building next door. They took part in scenarios led by the Police, Fire brigade, RNLi and Redbridge council; it was certainly very interactive. Some children expressed an interest in joining the Police Cadets (age 11-13), please ask the school office for further information. Y5 took part in Level 1 bikeability all week, with so many cycling initiatives going on, it would be brilliant to see more pupils riding bikes to school; please remember to take bikes home at the end of the day.

Y2 celebrated mass at SSPP church on Wednesday morning; Mr Bradley said he was extremely proud of all the readers and how confident the children were.

Miss Bond shared World Maths Day with the whole school in an assembly today; I believe she is still looking for her missing numbers! We will have a maths week in the summer term, with plenty of challenging activities for the children to enjoy.

Thank you to all the parents who completed the well-being questionnaires last week, we have now had a fantastic response, which will provide us with information as to how to support the children in school. The best way you can help your child at home is to allocate some time to listen to them without distractions and give them time to talk.

I wish you all a lovely St Patrick's weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs S Johnson

Headteacher

Do you have any old pots, pans and utensils lying around in your kitchen? If you do, Reception will gladly take them off your hands as part of a project. Please can you drop these into a box at the Infant gate in the mornings. Thank you.



In last Sunday's Gospel we hear that Jesus goes out into the desert for 40 days. While Jesus was in the desert he had hardly any food to eat or water to drink. He must have felt very alone.

Lent is a time when we try extra hard to help other people. Lent is a time when, like Jesus in the desert, we spend 40 days trying to come closer to God. We look at our lives and prepare ourselves for Easter. We try to pray more and share more, thinking less about ourselves and more about other people – our neighbours at home and around the world. We can be closer to God by praying, asking for forgiveness for all the things that we have done wrong, and trying to live the kind of life that God wants for us. One thing that many people do during Lent is to give something up so that they can give more away to people who have less than they do.

God of life, your Son Jesus went out into the desert to spend time in prayer and be closer to you. Help us to draw closer to you this Lent, in our prayers and in our actions. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



Year 2 came out in protest this week. 2B carried out a protest march for women to have equal rights as part of their work on the Emmeline Pankhurst and the Suffragettes and 2S were marching for equal Civil Rights as part of their work on Rosa Parks and American Civil Rights. The children made placards and marched throughout the school to raise awareness.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

W/C 18 th March 2019	Assessment week
W/C 18 th March 2019	Nursery pupils – balance bikes
21 st March 2019	Y3 Colchester Castle
22 nd March 2019	Stations of the Cross
20 th March 2019	Football: SSPP v Highlands – Home Match

ASSEMBLY AND MASS TIMETABLE

13 th March 2019	Y2 mass at SSPP Church at 9.30am
28 th March 2019	5R class assembly
29 th March 2019	11am end of term mass. SSPP Church
4 th April 2019	4S class assembly
5 th April 2019	1:30pm – end of term

Refreshments will be available before class assemblies from 8.55am. Volunteers always needed to help escort the children to church, please give your name to the office if available.

ATTENDANCE

The whole school attendance last week was: 97.77%

The class winners for the best attendance last week was: 4M, 5R with 100%.

The classes with the best punctuality were: 1B, 2S, 3I with only 2 late marks.

The classes which need to improve most: 1B, 6R, RA for attendance of 96% and 6P and 6R for 8 late marks each.

If your child is sick please phone the office by 9.30am or the absence will be unauthorised, also remember to send in a letter to the class teacher to explain the nature of the absence. Please avoid taking your child to medical appointments in school time, unless it is an emergency, in which case you must provide a copy of the appointment letter or card.



STAR PUPIL AWARDS



EYFS		KS1		KS2	
N am	Darcie	1B	Timothy	3D	Natik
N pm	Kaaviyamaye	1K	Mithuna	3I	Yashna
RA	Isabella	2B	Emma	4M	Ariq
RS	Robert	2S	Manmeet	4S	Harman
				5B	Josh
				5R	Riya
				6P	Ieva
				6R	Naomi