

# SS Peter & Paul's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter
Issue 7
March

God of Love, Maker of all, transform my heart through my Lenten journey of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Amen

#### Dear Families

Welcome to issue 7 of the school newsletter. We are now into the second week of our Lenten journey, and we focus on Alms giving this week, with our fund raising appeal for CAFOD. 'Break the Rules Day' on Friday 17th March, is a fun, affordable way of raising money. All the children need to do is choose the rule, or rules, they wish to break from the given list and then pay 50p per rule. Our preparation for Easter continues with a Sorry Service for KS1, Reconciliation for KS2 and Stations of the Cross. I have been impressed by the number of children using the prayer room independently at lunchtime.

Sadly, this month we saw our Mid Day Assistants leave SSPP, as a new structure was implemented. Many of them have been associated with the school for many years, with children and grandchildren passing through. I would like to thank them for their loyal and dedicated service to the children.

At the end of this term, we also say goodbye to Miss Augustine in RON, who has been with us a short time and leaves to go travelling. Miss Bangard will be returning from maternity leave and will job share RON with Miss Poppat. Mrs Ayoub, also leaves for pastures new, closer to where she lives. We thank her for her many years of dedication to Year six and leading English across the school. We wish her well in the future. Miss Sophocleous takes over 3A as from April.

Our liturgy team will be participating in a sponsored walk in Valentines Park on Wednesday  $26^{th}$  March with pupils from St Augustine's, The Palmer Academy and The Ursuline Academy. This will be followed by lunch with Bishop Allen at Palmer. The pupils will be looking for donations, or sponsorship as all money raised will go to BCCS.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the recent parent consultation evenings and those who wrote comments in the children's school books when they went home. It is good to hear you are happy with your child's progress and acknowledge the hard work of the staff. Thank you for all your continued support.

#### **Climbing the 02**

A team from SSPP will be climbing the O2 on Saturday 18th March to raise money for Breast Cancer Research. SSPP team are: Mrs Johnson, Mrs Hull, Mrs Manning, Mrs O'Sullivan, Miss Bond, Mrs Connole and Mrs Woodhouse. You can sponsor them on Justgiving https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/SSPP02

#### **WEBSITE**

The school website is being redesigned, it may still be accessed while the work is in progress. Please download the new APP to receive regular updates. Go to the App Store and search for SS Peter and Pauls cps.

#### Class Assemblies

### Refreshments served in the hall at 8.50am

Thursday 16 March 4S Thursday 23 March 3A Thursday 30 March 6B

## Dates for your diary

Y5 class mass at SSPP Church on Wednesday 15th March at 9.30am

#### **EYFS**

Coffee morning Thursday 23rd March at 9.30am

#### **Break up**

Friday 31st March at 3:15pm

Children return to school on

Wed 19th April

#### **Inset Days**

Tuesday 18th April Friday 21st July

#### **Parking**

Please put the safety of the children first. The school gates will not open for children in the main school before 8.45am; the car park is unsupervised and vehicles still have access.

There will be limited access in Gordon Road between 20/3-24/3 due to HGV at Gordon Road School.

#### **PA** events

The school discos took place last Friday; the music was loud and the children were energetic— a successful evening all round! The total amount raised was £893.60.

The PA will be holding a coffee morning to discuss the future of the current PA structure. We are grateful to our very small group who work so hard for the children. However, as their time comes to an end, with their children leaving, we need new parents to be involved. Please come along on Friday 21st April at 9.15am, even if you are only interested in helping occasionally.

#### **Attendance**

Well done to 4S for

the best attendance in February at 98%

N am 94%		N pm 88%		RB	94%
RON	96%	<b>1</b> S	97.6%	10C	95.5%
2D	97.1%	2B	97%	3A	95%
3P	94%	4S	98%	40	95%
5W	97.3%	5T	97%	6B	97.2%
6R	94 %				

#### Visits and events in February

Local Authority Teaching & Learning review. This was a positive experience; the LA congratulated the school on their continued improvements and good practice.

Debating competition by Y6 at the Teachers Centre in Woodford. The children won their debate, they were commended on their debating skills and made us proud.

CAFOD presentation by Angela Parilt.

Teachers from the Jiangsu Centre for Chinese Studies ran art and craft workshops for Chinese New Year Day.

Safer Internet Day across the school

O2 Young Voices assembly and cake sale.



Young Voices Choir



Chinese brush painting



Snow White & the Seven Teachers



**RNLC Debating Competition**