



*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

NEWSLETTER Week Ending 2 March 2018



Dear Parents and Carers

We are now into the second week of our Lenten journey, a week where our resilience has certainly been tested with the difficult weather conditions; a time when we think about those who are vulnerable and those who are sleeping rough. With this in mind, we have decided to focus our Lenten fund raising appeal on helping the homeless with a sponsored silence. Bishop Alan is promoting 'Silent for a million minutes' SSPP will aim to stay silent on Thursday 15th March; KS1 for 1 hour and KS2 for 2 hours. I am certain our youngest children in EYFS will also want to join in; perhaps 30 minutes may be more achievable! It would be brilliant if the children can be sponsored for £1 per hour, will all funds raised donated to the Salvation Army in Ilford to help local people who live on the streets. More information to follow.

Hopefully, the school will be back to normal next week, with better weather conditions. I would like to thank Mr Allen, our premises manager, who works very hard to keep the school safe in the extreme conditions. Please drive responsibly outside the school and avoid dropping your children off in the road. The newsletter will now be available weekly; it will be sent via the school APP (Peter and Paul's CPS), email and on the website. Have a safe weekend.

God bless.

*Mrs S Johnson
Headteacher*

SECTION 48 RE INSPECTION

An Inspector from the Diocese of Brentwood, visited SSPP on Wednesday 28th February to inspect the teaching of Religious Education and the Catholic nature of the school. Even though we experienced a snow blizzard and closed an hour early, the inspection was rigorous. The inspector was extremely positive about our 'lovely school' and was very impressed with the children's knowledge. The school council, the liturgy team and Year 6 representatives were a credit to the school; we are very proud of them. I would like to thank so many parents for completing the parent survey and for your very positive responses about the school and staff. I will provide more information regarding the outcome of the inspection, once the report has been finalised.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

The Parent Governor Election took place last week; I am pleased to announce that Mrs Corianne Ferraby will be joining SSPP Governing Body as a Parent Governor. Thank you to all the candidates who stood for election and to all the parents who voted.

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS

The two consultation evenings were very well attended and the completed evaluation forms were once again very positive. Many parents have welcomed the English and maths books going home, as it provides an opportunity to talk to the children about their progress and areas they find difficult.

HEALTHY PACKED LUNCHES

We have noticed lately that some children have very unhealthy packed lunches containing sweets and chocolate. It is very important children have a balanced diet, if the lunchtime staff see these items, they will be returned in the lunchbox. Also, cold KFC and McDonalds is not a healthy choice for your child.



WORLD BOOK DAY

Although we missed WBD in school because of the bad weather, we are still participating in the 100 million minutes challenge. Ten minutes of reading a day can have a huge impact on a child and young person's development, so imagine what 100 million minutes can achieve! Miss Dunne will provide more information shortly. Your child will also be receiving login details, for the new Junior Library programme we will be launching over the next couple of weeks.

We will continue to promote a love of reading across the SSPP!



PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The PA will be stepping down after the next event- the children's Discos. Date to be confirmed. A meeting will be organised within the next couple of weeks in order to elect new members. Even if you are not able to volunteer for a position of responsibility on the PA, please come along to vote and to express an interest in helping at future events. Look out for a message with dates for the disco and meeting.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK



God of Love, Maker of all, transform my heart through my Lenten journey of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Help me to see Lent as a journey of opening, receiving and rejoicing. Amen

ASSEMBLY GOSPEL READING Mark 9:2-13

Jesus took Peter, James, and John with him and went up on a high mountain, where they could be alone. There in front of the disciples, Jesus was completely changed. And his clothes became much whiter than any bleach on earth could make them. Then Moses and Elijah were there talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, "Teacher, it is good for us to be here! Let us make three shelters, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But Peter and the others were terribly frightened, and he did not know what he was talking about. The shadow of a cloud passed over and covered them. From the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, and I love him. Listen to what he says!" At once the disciples looked around, but they saw only Jesus.

As Jesus and his disciples were coming down the mountain, he told them not to say a word about what they had seen, until the Son of Man had been raised from death. So they kept it to themselves. But they wondered what he meant by the words "raised from death."

As we continue on our Lenten journey, we should make time to really hear the word of God.



ASSEMBLY AND MASS TIMETABLE

Thursday 8 March	5W Assembly Cancelled
Tuesday 13 th March	Lenten reconciliations school
Wednesday 14 th March	Y3 Mass. 9.30am at SS PP Church
Thursday 15 th March	4D Assembly 9.05am
Thursday 22 nd March	3S Assembly 9.05am
Tuesday 27 th March	Stations of the Cross school
Wednesday 28 th March	End of term mass. 11am at SSPP Church

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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 7 th March	World Maths Day
Friday 9 th March	Staff panto Alice in Wonderland -for children (sorry parents)
Tuesday 13 March	Choir performing at the Royal Albert Hall
Tuesday 20 th March	Y3-Y6 London Youth Games – 30 pupils

ATTENDANCE

The whole school attendance last week was: 92.81%

The class winner for the best attendance last week was: 4M 96.43%

The class with the best punctuality was: RB 98.9%

The class attendance which needs to improve most: RS 86.81%

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
RB - David RS - Geraldine	1V - Nicola 1W - Armaan 2B – Nikhita 2P - Aditi	3B – Lena 3S - Leah 4D - Moses 4M - Destini 5C – Sammy 5W - Anaya 6B - Jaiden 6R - Khushboo