



# The Peter and Paul Press

Ss Peter and Paul RC Primary School's new and exclusive newsletter.

*Easter Special!*



This week the Star Award has been awarded to the staff and children of:

## Reception Class

for sharing regular updates on their lockdown activities. They continue to keep us smiling and spreading positivity.

## Mental health Vs. Covid19

The Mental Health Foundation [https://](https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/coronavirus)

[www.mentalhealth.org.uk/coronavirus](https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/coronavirus) has lots of great advice if you are struggling in these uncertain times.

Don't forget that if you have concerns about your child / children you can always email [pwetherelt@sspeterpaul.s-tyneside.sch.uk](mailto:pwetherelt@sspeterpaul.s-tyneside.sch.uk) for support and guidance.

Dear Parents and Children,

Unfortunately, during these challenging times we are unable to come together at school to pray, reflect and learn about Holy Week and the Easter Story in our usual way. As we approach Palm Sunday and Holy Week we have uploaded some prayers and Easter activities on our website

<http://www.sspeterpaul.co.uk/easter-2020/>

for you to share at home. It is comforting to come together as a family to remind ourselves of the sacrifice Jesus made for us and the sacrifices that we all have to make during this difficult time.

### EASTER HOLIDAYS

**Friday 3rd April to Monday 20th April**

Dear parents, carers and children,

Thank you for all of your hard work over the last couple of weeks. The teachers and I have loved seeing and hearing about all of the fantastic learning and fun activities you have been doing at home. You are all amazing STAY AT HOME SUPERSTARS!

Tonight (Friday 3rd April) we officially break up for the Easter holidays. We will return to our learning on Monday 20th April.

Take this time to have a break from home-schooling - have fun, get some fresh air, eat treats, hunt for treasure or Easter eggs, look for signs of spring, build a den, share stories, take time to pray and relax as a family!

Teachers will be switching off their emails tonight and switching them back on when we return to our new term of home-schooling on 20th April.

Parents and carers if you have any problems (not related to home school learning) during the Easter holiday please email me at [mbutt@sspeterpaul.s-tyneside.sch.uk](mailto:mbutt@sspeterpaul.s-tyneside.sch.uk) between the hours of 9am to 3.30pm Monday to Friday.

Have a Holy and Hoppy Easter Everyone! Take care and stay safe.

Mrs Butt



Creativity is contagious, pass it on  
Albert Einstein

Film recommendation:

**Diary of a Wimpy Kid**

Recommended by Harry (Nursery) and Jack (Y2)



Sophie (Y2) has written this impressive recipe for cheese and chive scones. Can you see how beautiful that handwriting is? I'm sure they will be delicious Sophie.



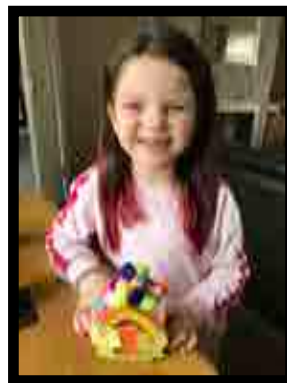
Book recommendation:

**Goodnight Stories for Rebel Girls**  
**Elena Favilli and Francesca Cavallo**

Recommended by Christina (Y6)



Daniel (Reception) has been learning to cook with his Mam. He has been enjoying making his own sandwiches for lunch. If our cook needs some help in the kitchen, we know who to ask first! Well done Daniel, we are very proud.



This week we heard from Harley (Y1) who has been busy crafting at home. Her latest creation is an Easter chick house. She's even filled it with sweets! We love your creation Harley.

Harley has also provided our

**'Joke of the Week'.**

**What wobbles in the sky?  
A jellycopter!**



Don't forget to keep an eye on our school Facebook page for regular updates. Please leave comments on our game of 'Baby Face' telling us who you think the baby has grown into. Stay tuned for the answers.





Pack your dinner as though you were heading out for the day, blanket and all. Set it out as though you're not really at home. Create imaginary surroundings. Talk about what you can 'see, smell and hear' around you.



Have a karaoke night together. Even those of us who can't sing still enjoy belting out a karaoke classic now and again! If you have a smart tv or phone you can access endless karaoke songs on YouTube. Good luck reaching those high notes!



"I'm bored!"  
Have you lost count of how many times you've heard this? Here are a few activities to try during your Easter break.



Have a party! For no reason of importance. It could be an 'It's Tuesday' party. Or even as a reward for finishing a book, scoring Mathematics points or for positive behaviour. Put on your favourite party clothes or fancy dress outfit and have a dance around together.



Create your own cookery show. Find a way to involve the whole family. Maybe you could cook a course each and rate each other's dishes. Or recreate the Great British Bake Off's 'blind challenge'. More than one person cooks using the same recipe. Then a judge has to decide which version is best, but they're not allowed to know who is responsible for each dish. You'll be learning a new skill and having fun as a family at the same time!

## 5 ways to keep active at home.

1

### HEADSTANDS

A great activity to strengthen your core muscles and to get blood going to the brain. Children are often naturals. Who can hold their position the longest?

2

### SKIPPING

If you have a fence you can tie one end of the rope to it to eliminate the need for a third person. For more fun, search for skipping - rope rhymes.

3

### OBSTACLE COURSE

Create a furniture course in your house or take chalk and make a course outside in the garden. Add in specific mental or physical challenges to keep them guessing.

4

### RACES

Wheelbarrow, crab, and bear-walk races! Holding one of these tough positions gives you a real workout. Make it more difficult by adding obstacles or challenges.

5

### ANIMAL RACES

Hop like a bunny or frog, squat and waddle like a duck, gallop on all fours like a horse, sidestep like a crab or recreate the movements of your favourite animal.



## Getting to know... Mrs Coyne

### The current Year Five class teacher.

**How long have you been a teacher?**

*This is my twenty eighth year.*

**How many of those twenty eight years have you spent at SSPP?**

*I started in December 2015 making this my fifth year.*

**If you weren't a teacher what would you be?**

*No idea, I have wanted to teach since I was six years old.*

**Of the other jobs you have had, which was the best?**

*Working in a chocolate factory of course!*

**Are you learning anything at the moment?**

*I love art but I'm hopeless at it, so I like to spend time learning about artists.*

**What are your hobbies**

*Anyone that knows me, knows I love to read and to run.*

**If you could live anywhere in the world, where would you choose?**

*The south of France.*

**What is your favourite food?**

*Cheese.*

**What is your favourite drink?**

*I should say water but it's black coffee.*

**What is your greatest achievement?**

*Completing the Great North Run last year.*

**Finally, what is the best thing about SSPP?**

*It's a family, no doubt about it.*



## A reminder of teacher's email addresses

Staff email addresses begin with their names and all use the same domain name which is: @sspeterpaul.s-tyneside.sch.uk

To contact a member of staff simply use the usernames below followed by the domain name.

Nursery: ktodd

Reception: jparker

Y1: ccooke

Y2: leyres and sgraham

Y3: jgregg

Y4: kstephenson

Y5: scoyne

Y6: Inicol

Office: info

Head teacher: mbutt

## Useful numbers

**South Tyneside Hospital**  
01914041000

**Mental Health Initial Response Team**  
03031231145

**Citizens Advice Bureau Advice Line** 0344 4994 715

**National Domestic Violence Helpline** 0808 2000 247

**Samaritans** 116 123

**S. Tyneside Lifecycle Mental Health Service** 01912832937

**For details about food banks contact: Hospitality and Hope on 0191 420 3336 Key 2 Life Food Bank on 07833 613393 Hebburn Helps on 0191 489 9707**

Did you learn something new about Mrs Coyne? Look out for the next issue where we will be putting another member of staff under the spotlight! Who do you think it will be?








**Prayer Space**


In this space, every week, we will provide an opportunity for you to pray together for a few minutes as a family. Each week we will offer a different suggestion for your prayer time. We also recommend you encourage your child to pray aloud or silently for their own concerns.

If you have one, light a candle. Take a moment to find the quiet space inside of you because that's where God is.

This week we should spend time thinking about governments and scientists all over the world who are working hard to keep us safe. Please also think about the people in the NHS and medical care systems all over the world who are caring for the sick and working towards the prevention of spreading the virus. As the virus spreads we ask that you also pray for the sick. Pray with someone in mind or for everyone affected. Use these words or some of your own.

**For those who govern**

***Loving God, we pray for all the people who are in charge of our country and countries all over the world. Look after them and help them to make the right decisions.***

**Amen.**

**For those who are looking after the sick**

***God, thank you for all the people who are looking after the sick. Bless them, look after them and keep them safe.***

**Amen.**

**For those who are sick**

***Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing this illness. Give them the hope and courage they need today and every day. Comfort their pain, calm their fears and surround them with your peace.***

**Amen.**



## Thank you!

Please continue to email

[mrutter@sspeterpaul.s-tyneside.sch.uk](mailto:mrutter@sspeterpaul.s-tyneside.sch.uk)

with jokes, recipes, birthday shout-outs, achievements, book and film recommendations or anything you'd like to share. This email inbox will be checked daily.

## Happy Easter

As we enter Holy Week and Lent comes to an end, please remember why we celebrate this time of year. Think about the persecution, death and resurrection of Jesus. He died for our sins and his resurrection offers up hope of our own forgiveness. Take this time to reflect on and consider good news and do not be discouraged by setbacks. Let your hearts be filled with peace and love, as Jesus showed his love for us. Enjoy this blessed celebration and have a wonderful Easter!

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