



SS Peter & Paul Catholic Primary School

0191 4552862 January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a lovely start to our Spring Term and your children have returned to school super smart and ready for work!

BEACH SCHOOL – Y1

Y1 have the exciting opportunity of attending Beach School at Marsden Bay. The children will travel there by minibus and return in time for lunch. Dates are as follows: Friday 3rd March & Monday 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th March

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March. The children can come to school dressed up as their favourite World Book Day Character, or in their PE kit. Lots of fun activities are planned in school to nurture our love and enjoyment of reading.

If anyone has any preloved dressing up clothes they would like to donate to school for other children to wear on World Book Day that would be greatly appreciated.

We are also going to do a school book swap that day so any pre loved books can be brought into school and swapped for a new book from our book swap stand.



Celebrations of Learning

We are holding English Celebrations of Learning in school for Y1 to Y6. This is an opportunity for the children to share their learning with you and ideas of how you can support them.

Y3 – Monday 6th February 9am

Y5 – Tuesday 7th February 9am

Y4 – Thursday 9th February 9am

Y6 – Friday 10th February 9am

Y2 – Tuesday 14th February 9am

Y1 – Thursday 16th February 9am

Reception class will be holding 'Stay and Count' sessions in class week beginning 13th February.

Nursery will be holding 'Stay and Read' sessions in Nursery w/b 13th February.

Class Liturgical Prayer

Y6 – 3rd February at 9am

Y1 – 1st March at 9am

Y2 – 8th March at 9am

Reception – 17th March at 9am

Class Assembly

Y4 – Friday 17th February at 9am

Parent meetings/Phone calls

Week commencing Monday 6th March. Times to follow

The whole school will be taking part in CAFOD's BIG LENT WALK next half term.

The Faith in Action Council will be meeting soon to finalise the details.

South Tyneside Music Festival The Customs House

Y2 will be performing
on the afternoon of Thursday 23rd
March at 1.30pm.

Our **Choir** will be performing
on Monday 20th March at 6.30pm.



Information regarding tickets will
follow shortly.

School Uniform

- Royal Blue Sweatshirt
- Light blue Polo Shirt
- Grey School Trousers or skirt
- Black school shoes, or all black trainers.

Y5 will be swimming this term,
every Thursday afternoon at Boldon
School.



HALF TERM

School closes 3.15 p.m.
Friday 17th February.

School reopens 8.45a.m.
Monday 27th February

PE Kit

Could parents please ensure children come to
school in their correct PE kit on PE Days.

- Plain black shorts or plain black leggings/joggers
- White T-Shirt
- Trainers
- School sweatshirt

PE DAYS

- Reception - Wednesday and Thursday
- Y1 - Monday and Thursday
- Y2 - Monday and Thursday
- Y3 - Monday and Tuesday
- Y4 - Tuesday and Friday
- Y5 - Thursday (swimming) and Friday
- Y6 - Tuesday and Friday

If parents need help with PE kits, we have
spare preloved uniform in school.

The Diocesan Department for Education worked with the four Catholic Education Trusts to align the 2023-24 holidays and those of subsequent years. The alignment would open up opportunities for shared CPD and projects within the Trusts and between the Trusts, as well as providing consistency for parents of children in Catholic schools. The Trusts and the Diocesan Department for Education would also be better able to support schools if holidays were in line as many years there have been significant differences in holiday dates between the ten local authorities.

The 2023-24 holidays were agreed by the Trust boards in line with the Scheme of Delegation and were published. At the point of setting the holidays for 2023-24, the local authority holidays had not been published. It has now become apparent that the dates that were agreed by the Trust Boards for 2023-24 do not align with the majority of the local authority holidays. The exercise of aligning the holidays between the Trusts was done in good faith and through collaboration. It is regrettable that there are some substantial differences between these and those of the local authorities. The 2024-25 holidays and future holiday dates will be aligned as closely as possible to most of the local authorities.

Children's Absence & Lateness

Tel: 0191 4552862

Option 1 to leave a message.

Could parents please ring school on the first morning of their child's absence providing a reason and perhaps an indication (where known) of how long the absence will be for. If Mrs. Lee is not available please leave a message on the school's answering machine.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club continues to run every morning from 8.00am. The children get a choice of cereal, toast, fruit, water & milk. Then they have the opportunity to play with activities until they are escorted to the classroom by staff. Entrance to the club is through the hall fire doors and each session is £1.50 payable via ParentPay.

Easter Praise

Will be led by Y3 & Y4 on 30th March at 9.30am in Church.



Policies

Copies of all school policies, including Safeguarding are available on our school website. On request paper copies can be obtained from the school office.

<http://sspeterpaul.co.uk/>

Haircuts and Jewellery

- It is quite clear and specific in the school prospectus that there is a no jewellery policy in school.
- Haircuts are not to have zigzag lines, tramlines or patterns.

Dinner Money

Dinner money which is **£11.00** **MUST be paid on a Monday morning** by Parent pay. Please see Mrs Lee for more information.

Yellow Zig- Zag lines

Can parents please refrain from parking and dropping off on the yellow zigzag lines outside of school.

HIGHWAY CODE 238

Rule 238. **You MUST NOT wait or park on yellow lines during the times of operation shown on nearby time plates** - see 'Traffic signs' and 'Road markings'. Double yellow lines indicate a prohibition of waiting at any time even if there are no upright signs.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

School closes: 3.15 p.m., Friday, 31st March.
School reopens 8.45a.m., Monday, 17th April