

SS Peter and Paul Newsletter

Term 4 21st March 2025



Year 2 St Patrick's Day Assembly

Congratulations to Year 2 who led a lovely assembly all about St Patrick last week. They recited an Irish blessing, sang a hymn and confidently acted out the story of St Patrick. The children enjoyed telling the story of his life and finding out more about one of their school house saints. St Patrick sailed across the hall from Wales to Ireland and back again in a specially prepared boat. The KS2 choir opened and closed the assembly with some super Irish songs to get us all in the

mood. Well done to Mrs Hewlett, Mrs Gladman and Miss Bryant-Henry for preparing the children and enabling them to perform with confidence.

CAFOD Representative Visit

Mervyn from CAFOD came in to hold a Big Lent Walk assembly for the whole school and tell us about some very special chickens. The children learned that chickens are vital for people living in villages in Kenya and other areas that are prone to droughts. Chickens can survive in areas with very low rainfall and provide nutritious food for families. We learned that £4.80 is enough to provide a family with a chicken which enables them to give their children eggs for breakfast before school. He was very pleased to hear that we have already completed many laps of the playground and have raised enough money to pay for at least 20 chickens already.

The children will be continuing to walk every day as we all want to raise as much money as we can for CAFOD and the people in need in Kenya. Please support them.



THE BIG LENT WALK



After the assembly Years 4 and 5 took part in a CAFOD workshops all about the Jubilee Year of Hope. Mervyn commented on how engaged and well-behaved the children were. He talked to them about world debt which inspired them to create a collage that will be sent to parliament to help lobby for the cancellation of world debt. The children were very interested in learning about world debt and the problems it causes in different countries.



Forest School

Forest school had a fabulous time this week lighting a fire and baking bread. Mrs Gladman brought in some of her fresh homemade dough and the children whittled sticks and used them to bake their own bread rolls over a fire. The children all had the opportunity to have a go at lighting the fire and showed real resilience as it wasn't easy. The bread rolls were delicious and Mrs Rigby gave them a pot of her gorgeous homemade gooseberry jam to spread on top!



As well as bread making, the children worked in teams to build dens. Their den building, teamwork and communication is improving week on week and the children are really looking forward to their next few sessions in the woodland.

Year 5 Trip to George Müller Museum



As part of their topic on Victorians Year 5 visited the George Müller museum this week. They had the opportunity to look around the museum and handle artefacts to find out more about George Müller and his work. The children found out about how George Müller housed and educated over 10,000 orphans in Victorian Bristol. They found out about a typical day in the life of an orphan, what school was like and what they went on to do when they left the orphanage.

The children have been reading the book *Street Child*, which tells the story of a child who was placed in a workhouse. George Müller set up his orphanages to save the children from the workhouses which were very difficult places to live in.

PTFA



Thank you to our amazing PTFA. The Bingo night on the 7th March was a great success and was extremely well supported by families and staff who all had a fun time playing bingo together. Congratulations to the Karameh family who managed to win two Easter hampers and to the O'Neill and Marsh-Brown families who were also lucky winners of hamper. A huge thank you to our resident Bingo caller Chris Arthur who got everyone involved and checked the winning bingo cards! The Bingo night

made £728.88 in total which will go towards improving our KS1 playground. Thank you to everyone who helped to organise the event and to everyone who supported by attending.

PTFA School Tea Towel

Orders have steadily been coming in for the PTFA school tea towel which features a hand drawn image of everyone in the school. Each tea towel costs £5 and if you would like one, please ensure your order is in by **Monday 24th March**. Tea towels will only be available to those who have pre-ordered. Letters with the ordering details were sent out last week. If you need another copy please ask you PTFA class or contact the school office.

Tea towels will be distributed at the start of next term.





School Nurse parent/carer sessions

The school has arranged for the School Nursing Team from Sirona (NHS) to visit the school for parent/carer sessions once a term. These sessions will usually be on the second Tuesday of each term from 8:50am-10:00am. The planned dates for the rest of the year are: 06/05/2025 and 10/06/2025. The sessions will consist of allotted slots which will be 1:1 with the school nurse (Nicky O'Leary). We expect these to be 15 minutes long, but if demand is high they may be shorter.

If you have a concern about your child and would like to arrange to see the School Nurse please contact the school office. **You do not need to tell us what your concern is**, just that you would like to see the School Nurse.

More information about the School Nursing Team can be found on the link below:
<https://sirona-cic.org.uk/children-services/services/school-nursing-service/>



Clubs for Term 4

Please find the list of clubs on offer for term 4. If your child is not signed up to an activity and wishes to join please contact the office to check availability.

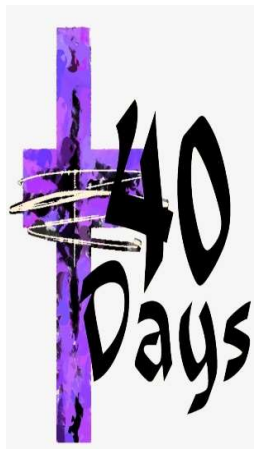
- Monday** **Year 3** Gymnastics
 Years 5 & 6 Coding Club (provided by Code Pi, paid activity)
- Tuesday** **Year 5** Invasion Games
 Year 4 Dance
 Year 2,3 and 4 Craft Club
- Wednesday** **Years 1-2** Dodgeball - Finish time 4:15 (provided by U-Sports, paid activity)
- Thursday** **KS2** Lunchtime Choir
 Year 6 Gymnastics
- Friday** **Year 1** Multiskills
 Year 5 & 6 Hockey

Term Dates 2024/2025

Term 4 Monday 24th February to Friday 4th April 2025

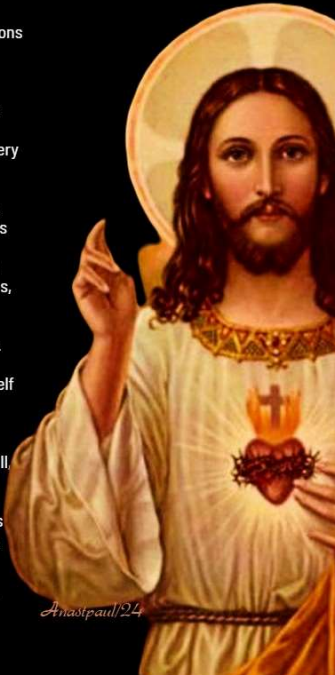
Term 5 Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May 2025 **Inset day Tuesday 22nd April 2025**

Term 6 Monday 2nd June to Tuesday 22nd July 2025



A LENTEN OFFERING
*By St Therese of the Child Jesus
 and the Holy Face of Lisieux (1873-1897)*

O my God!
 I offer Thee all my actions
 of this Lent
 for the intentions
 and for the glory
 of the Sacred Heart
 of Jesus.
 I desire to sanctify every
 beat of my heart,
 my every thought,
 my simplest works,
 by uniting them to Its
 Infinite Merits
 and I wish to make
 reparation for my sins,
 by casting them
 into the furnace
 of Its Merciful Love.
 O my God!
 I ask of Thee for myself
 and for those
 whom I hold dear,
 the grace to fulfil
 perfectly Thy Holy Will
 to accept for love
 of Thee,
 the joys and sorrows
 of this passing life,
 so that we may
 one day
 be united together
 in Heaven,
 for all eternity.
 Amen



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