# St Mary & St Peter Primary School Newsletter

Set Sail for Success

Newsletter Friday 19th November 2021

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**Our Mission** 

Statement

Through nurturing

trust and strong

relationships, our learning adventure will see each and every one

of us thrive in God's

love.

# Headteacher's News

#### **Christmas Events**

We are fast approaching that time of year – Advent and Christmas – and we are already starting to prepare for our celebratory activities. We hope to invite parents to our planned activities below and we have planned for them with you in mind. However, we will have to consider COVID restrictions closer to the time and keep parents informed.

**EYFS** 

We are preparing for a traditional Nativity play with both Nursery and Reception Classes to perform to parents on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December**. We plan to have 2 performances to reduce congestion with the first at **9.30am** and the second at **11am**. More details will follow in December from the class teachers.

#### KS1

We had originally planned for KS1 to perform at Sounds4Christmas in November but unfortunately this has been cancelled by the organisers. Therefore, we have decided to bring it in house. Parents will be invited into the school hall on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** at either **9am or 2.30pm** to hear your KS1 child sing a small selection of Christmas Carols. Numbers will be restricted for each performance to reduce congestion. More details will follow in December from the class teachers.

#### **Values**

Believe Respect Love Trust

### KS2

All the children in KS2 will be preparing for a traditional Carol Service at St Peter's Catholic Church in Gorleston. All parents will be welcome to join us on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** from **1.30pm.** Closer to the time, class teachers will be seeking parental help to walk us to and from church.

For each of these events we will be collecting for the James Paget Hospital Charity. Our NHS workers continue to work so hard during the pandemic and we would like to support this local cause with your support. Donation buckets will be available after each event.

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Thank you in advance for your support

Mrs P Crane

**Executive Headteacher** 



Pudsey with Year 1

If you have any questions about what your child is learning or how you can help your child at home, please arrange an appointment with the class teacher.



# **Keeping Children Safe: Roblox**

Earlier this week a message was sent on the school app about Squid Games and inappropriate viewing. However, it turns out that many of the children are playing innocently on Roblox which has a replica game called Squid Games. I have looked at it myself and children can play the same games as are portrayed in the film and characters use guns to shoot and kill. It would be wise for parents to look at the game content with their child and prevent our young children from playing violent games which could be mimicked on the playground. Thank you in advance for your support.

### **Book Sale**

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December we will be holding a book sale of all our old KS1 reading stock. We are moving towards the Read Write Inc. reading scheme but our old books would still be a good resource for parents to supplement reading practise at home.

## **New Entrance System**

Some parents may have already noticed that we have installed a new secure SALTO system at the school office entrance. The system provides a secure access for all school staff using an entrance key and means that visitors to the school office will need to press the intercom and speak to the office before entering the school building.

# **Parking**

Thank you to all our parents who park considerately, your support is most appreciated.

Some of our parents are choosing to park in front of the school gates when collecting children from Nursery and we must remind you that this is a safety risk. Our school gates must be kept clear at all times for emergency access. Thank you in advance for your support.

# Alternative arrangements for collection

This is a gentle reminder to all parents to please try and ensure that you call the office by 2.45pm if you wish to let us know about alternative collection arrangements for your child or any other information. This will ensure that we can get the correct information to each class teacher before the end of the day.

# **Pudsey Visits School**

Thank you to everyone who wore their pyjamas to school today and supported Children in Need. The photo at the top left of this page shows Pudsey visiting the classes. We look forward to sharing with you the final amount of money raised for charity next week.

# This Week's Prayer

As we are called to embrace this synodal path of the Synod 2021-2023, this prayer invites the Holy Spirit to operate within us so that we may be a community and a people of grace.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen

# Upcoming Events (new dates in bold)



#### 20th December to 3rd January Christmas Holidays

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4 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET Day	School closed to all pupils	
5 <sup>th</sup> January	Pupils Return for the spring term		
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening Day 1	Info to follow	
9 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening Day 2	Info to follow	
	14 <sup>th</sup> February to 18 <sup>th</sup> February HALF TERM		
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	World Book Day	Dress up as a Character	
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day	Info to follow	
1 <sup>st</sup> April	School finishes at 3pm for Easter		
4 <sup>th</sup> April to 18 <sup>th</sup> April Easter Holidays			
19 <sup>th</sup> April	INSET Day	School closed to all pupils	
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils return for the summer term		
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	School finishes at 1.30pm for Summer Holidays		

To access all school term dates for the academic year, please visit our school website



St Mary and St Peter, Pray for us.

