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# St Mary and St Peter Catholic Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

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### Year 4 Curriculum News from Adam Beblot

"This term Y4 have been learning about a lot of things. In Science we have been learning about weather and electricity. In English we have been learning about a book called, 'The Iron Man.' In Maths we have been learning about sequences and patterns. I am enjoying Science the most."

### Visit from Bishop Alan Hopes

Today we were blessed to have a visit from Bishop Alan Hopes. He began his visit by celebrating whole school Mass with us alongside Fr Philip. It was a very lovely celebration and was great to hear a lot of children had remembered Bishop Alan's message from his last visit to us a few years ago: a Bishop is a teacher, a shepherd and an Apostle. Bishop Alan then went to visit each class in their classrooms and was most impressed with the wide range of quality questions the children had for them.

### Lent Charity Fundraiser for Cafod – The Big Fish Appeal

Thank you so much to all parents, family members and friends who supported our children with sponsoring them for the different Lent Challenges that took place in each class. Altogether, the children raised a whopping £1129.83 which is just amazing. It was particularly impressive to learn that Y2 raised £318.05 by completing over 10,000 star jumps! Thank you so much indeed.

### All Stars Cricket Club

There is an opportunity for children aged 5 - 8 to take part in an All Stars Cricket Club at Homefield V.C. Primary School. This will be on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – 10:30am from May 20th to July 8th 2017. The cost is £40 for the 8 week course. If your child is interested please contact [julie.nicholls2@virgin.net](mailto:julie.nicholls2@virgin.net) or see the poster on the school notice board or website under clubs.

### Sponsor a Book

You may already have heard from your children about the planned development of our school library. We have been busy preparing for the next stages in the redevelopment including identifying the books that will be in our stock. It has been suggested to us that members of our school community may wish to sponsor a book for the new library and so we are inviting parents, pupils, staff, and governors to take up this option should this be something they are keen to do. We hope to have as wide a range of books as possible for our children to have access to. Please do have a think about if this is something you'd like to do. There will be further details sent to you shortly.

### Wisepay

Important date for payments for the Bank Holiday weekend: - **Meals - The deadline for booking school meals is 23:59, Bank Holiday Monday** the day prior to returning to school. If you have not booked meals please ensure your child brings a packed lunch with them. Permissions for participation in all trips and school football matches must be done on Wisepay. We no longer ask for written permissions for children to take part in activities this is all managed in Wisepay.

### **Summer Serenade Concert – Great Yarmouth Minster, 27<sup>th</sup> April**

It was so fantastic that our school was represented at this great event put on each year by Great Yarmouth Schools Music Association. This year our School Choir and our School Band were performing their latest repertoire, but we also had one of our Y6 pupils perform as a solo pianist. It was amazing! Some comments from the children involved include:

“At the Summer Serenade we were playing a mixture of ‘Rather Be’ and ‘Billie Jean.’ And the choir sang ‘Castle on a Cloud,’ and ‘Tomorrow.’ *Natalia N*

“The Summer Serenade was awesome and all the schools did super well. The school band did an amazing job doing the song at the end, ‘Believe.’ *Kirstin*

### **Y3 Walsingham Trip 19<sup>th</sup> May**

Please note that your child must arrive at school **no earlier than 8.00 am** for this visit. This is a change to previously published information. Usual school uniform must be worn and a raincoat will be needed. Your child will also need drinks and a packed lunch on this day. If you are booking a school packed lunch this must be done by 23:59 on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May please. If you have lost either of the two letters about this trip, please view them on the Letters section of the school website.

### **Absence from School & School Dinners**

If your child is absent from school due to illness we ask that you call the school office no later than 9:15am on the first day of absence. You do not need to call on subsequent days unless the absence continues into the following week at which point we ask that you call again on the first day of the week to confirm your child is still unwell. If you call before 9:15 am and advise us your child is absent we will cancel their school meal for the first day of absence and any subsequent days. If you do not call us your child’s meal will not be cancelled (Keystage 2 parents you will not be entitled to a refund for paid meals).

### **Y6 Residential visit to Eaton Vale - Parents Meeting**

A meeting will be held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm for Year 6 parents of children going on this visit. This will be held in the Y6 classroom.

<b>UPCOMING DATES</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 - SATS Week	Free Breakfast Club for Year 6 pupils will be available – further details to follow.
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Eaton Vale Parents meeting 3.00 pm in the school hall.	Please attend this meeting if your child is attending this visit.
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 Trip to Walsingham	Note departure time is now 8.00 am.
24 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Residential at Eaton Vale	Final installment is due 15 <sup>th</sup> May.
29 <sup>th</sup> May – 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Whitsun Holiday	Term starts Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June.
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Pentecost visit to St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School	Further details to follow.
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos to be taken	
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 6 Robotics Roadshow	Further details to follow.
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 trip	Further details to follow.
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Choir at Kings Centre	Further details to follow.
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 to visit Notre Dame for Science Day	Further details to follow.
24 <sup>th</sup> July – 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Summer Holidays	Term starts Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2017.
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Current Year 5 residential visit to Eaton Vale	Further details to follow.

