

St Mary and St Peter Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER



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Our school code of conduct:

MINDSET

PEACE

RESPECT

Farewell Mrs Long

As you know it is with great sadness that Mrs Long leaves us at the end of this term. She has been with us for just over the last 8 years and the school has seen many changes during this time.

I am sure you would like to join us all in wishing Mrs Long all the very best for the future in her new school and to tell her she will be missed.

Christmas Performances

A reminder our Christmas Performances will be held on Tuesday 18th December 2018 at 9.30 am and 1.15 pm. **Nursery children will take part in the morning performance only.** We will not be issuing tickets but ask that only 2 members of each child's family attend one performance only due to restricted capacity in the school hall.

Morning Punctuality

To ensure our children are in school to register and commence lessons the school gate is locked at 8.50 am promptly.

Please ensure your child arrives before this time to enable them to join their friends on the playground and go into school promptly.

If your child is after this time they must enter through the main office doors.

68th Festival of Carols

Our choir took part in the 68th Festival of Carols at the Minster on Tuesday and Wednesday 4th and 5th December 2018.

As well as our choir performing Callum from Yr 5 sang a stunning solo performance of Silent Night in German. Michelle Yr 5 played the violin and Jeremiah Yr 6 played the clarinet. Mrs Salton's Fire Spinners group sang and Leon Yr 3, Callum Yr 5 & Jeremiah Yr 6 all sang as part of this group.

Well done to all pupils who took part in this lovely event and you were excellent ambassadors of our school.

Meet Our New Executive Head

Mrs Crane will be in school for mass on Friday 4th January 2019 and will be available to meet parents over tea and coffee straight after mass.

Christmas Post

The Christmas post box will be available until Tuesday 18th December 2018 in the foyer for children to post their Christmas cards to other children and adults in the school.

Lost Property

We have a large amount of Lost Property in the bin in the foyer. Any items not collected at the end of term will be placed in the clothing bank bin at the end of the day on Tuesday 18th December 2018.

Clubs & End of Term Arrangements

The last day of this term is Tuesday 18th December 2018.

Normal clubs all finish today Friday 14th December 2018 but we will be offering one club on Monday & Tuesday 17th & 18th December 2018 – this can be booked on Wisepay.



Our school values are –

Love

Peace

Joy

Patience

Kindness

Respect

Honesty

Forgiveness

Trust

Hope

Resilience

Challenge



We seek to inspire in children the joy and wonder of learning, through cherishing, nurturing, supporting and challenging each one, whatever their talents and needs. As we journey together with Christ, we aim to develop in all children intellectual curiosity, creative endeavor, compassion for others and the



courage to act on their beliefs.

Clubs, Lunches & Music Payments

Wisepay is now available for bookings for January 2019.

Normal clubs commence Monday 7th January 2019 but we will be offering one club on Thursday & Friday 3rd & 4th January 2019.

£1.00 Bucket

We have not had a winner come forward for the £1.00 bucket. The winning ticket was 87. If the prize is not claimed we will offer this as a prize in a raffle for any future events we hold.

School Parking

Please do not park in the school car park at the end of the school day. It is becoming difficult for taxis and House of Fun to get into the car park and safely pick up the children they are responsible for.

Please ensure you park safely and considerately to our neighbours outside the school gates.

Year 3 Swimming

Our Year 3 class will commence swimming on Monday 7th January 2019. For full information please see the letter sent home last week or a copy of this letter which is available on the school website. Please ensure your child brings their kit on this day.

Application for Reception September 2019

As you will be aware the process has now started for parents to apply for their child's place for a Reception place for September 2019. If you are considering our school as one of your choices we would be happy to show you around, please call the school office to make an appointment. If you do make our school one of your choices for a place you will need to complete a Supplementary Information form which is available on our website under Our School followed by admissions or using the following link <https://smspprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Supplementary-Information-Form-primary-2019-intake.pdf> - this form must be completed and returned to us no later than the 15th January 2019.

St Mary's and St. Peter's Youth Ministries- Faith Club

After school, a club will be running for an hour, three times a month on Fridays.

The venue will be at St. Peter's from 3:15 – 4:15 pm. It is open to all primary school children in our parish to help them grow in their catholic faith, meet new friends and other interesting activities.

Those interested should contact the parish office or any of the priests. The club starts in January 2019.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

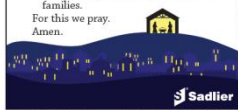
We would like to wish all our pupils, parents, staff & governors a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

School returns on Thursday 3rd January 2019.



Prayer for Families

Loving God,
During this holy season of Christmas,
we ask for your blessing on all families.
Let Mary's openness to your wondrous ways be an inspiration to place all trust in you.
Let Joseph's courage provide hope during times of anxiety and uncertainty.
Let Jesus' life ignite all families with a spirit of light and love.
May the grace that encircled the Holy Family widen to embrace all families.
For this we pray.
Amen.



SCHOOL DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT	ACTION REQUIRED
19 th Dec – 2 Jan 2019	Christmas holidays.	Thursday 3 rd January 2019 children return to school
4 th January 2019	Whole school mass – 10.00 am	All welcome and there will be an opportunity to meet Mrs Crane our new executive head.
7 th January 2019	Year 3 start swimming	Swimming kits to come into school on this day.
11 th January 2019	Yr 6 class mass – 10.00 am	All welcome.
15 th January 2019	Years 5 & 6 – White Socks The Musical	Permission to be given online by Friday 4 th January 2019. Please note the coach will return between 5.00 – 5.15.
18 th January 2019	Yr 4 class mass – 10.00 am	All welcome.
25 th January 2019	Yr 5 class mass – 10.00 am	All welcome.
30 th January 2019	Gym Competition – Ormiston Venture	Further details to follow.
1 st February 2019	Yr 3 class mass – 10.00 am	All welcome.
8 th February 2019	Yr 1 class mass – 10.00 am	All welcome.
11 th Feb & 13 th Feb 2019	Parent / Teacher Consultation meetings	Further details will be available nearer the time.
15 th February 2019	Yr 2 class mass -10.00 am	All welcome.
18 th –22 nd February 2019	Half-term.	Monday 25 th February children return to school.
25 th February 2019	Year 4 start swimming.	Swimming kits to come into school on this day.
8 th April – 22 nd April	Easter holidays.	Tuesday 23 rd April 2019 children return to school.
13 th – 17 th May 2019	Yr 6 SATS week.	
20 th – 22 nd May 2019	Yr 6 Residential – Eaton Vale	Next installment due 2 nd January 2019.
27 th May – 31 st May 2019	Half-term.	Monday 3 rd June 2019 children return to school.
Monday 22 nd July 2019	Summer holidays commence.	