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NEWSLETTER

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"For this is how God loved the world: he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life" John 1:16

EASTER HOLIDAY

Please be reminded that school closes TODAY for the Easter break of two weeks and re-opens on Monday 16th April. We wish you all a Happy and Holy Easter. We will be celebrating Mass together on **Tuesday 17th April at 9:30**. It would be wonderful to see as many parents, grandparents and carers in church to give thanks for the Easter Tide and to start the Summer Term off in prayer together.

STAFF CHANGES

Mrs Lambert leaves us today; we would like to take the opportunity to thank Mrs Lambert for the love and dedication that she has shown Ss. Peter and Paul school and wish her well for the future.

Mrs Campbell will replace Mrs Lambert on Thursdays and Fridays in Year 1. I am sure everyone will go out of their way to make Mrs Campbell feel welcome.

Mrs Longstaff starts her maternity leave today. We wish Mr and Mrs Longstaff all the best for this new exciting chapter of parenthood, and look forward to welcoming Mrs Longstaff back when her maternity leave is complete.

Mrs Phipps will join us after Easter in Year 2. Mrs Phipps did complete a final teaching practice at Ss Peter and Paul a number of years ago so she is familiar with the school. However, I am sure parents will go out of their way to welcome Mrs Phipps back to Ss. Peter and Paul.

Miss Abbott is getting married on Saturday and we hope that she and Craig have a wonderful day; Miss Abbott will be known as Mrs McDougall after Easter. We wish Mr and Mrs McDougall all the best for their future lives together.

THANK YOU FROM MRS LONGSTAFF

Thank you very much to the children and parents/carers for the lovely, generous gifts. Baby Longstaff is going to be very spoiled! Many thanks - *Mrs Longstaff*.

EASTER PRODUCTION

We would like to say a massive well done to all the children in Years 4 and 5 who performed in the Easter Production on Wednesday afternoon. You told the story of Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection with emotion, intensity and passion. You presented us with many moments of reflection - you should feel very proud of your achievements - we know we are certainly feeling very proud of you all. During the performance, we played a video, which we had pre-recorded, in Church. A number of parents asked if they could have a copy of this part of the production. If you would like a copy of this video, please email the school office and make a payment of £2 through ParentPay (this will be set up on the ParentPay system after the holidays), and we will burn it on to a CD for parents that are interested.

If any children still have their costume from the production at home, please can this be returned after the holidays. Thank you - *Mrs Filarowski & Mrs Holmes*

ATTENDANCE

Letters have been sent home this week to parents/ carers of children with attendance below 90%. For children with attendance above 90% but below 95%, a copy of your child's attendance summary

has been sent home this afternoon. Our target for attendance is 97.7% and we are very proud of our attendance figures here at Ss. Peter and Paul as we usually have high attendance.

JOHN PAUL VIRTUE WORSHIP FOR PARENTS/ CARERS (9:00am)

Please see below for the remaining dates:

DATE	YEAR GROUP	THEME OF WORSHIP
27th April	Year 2	Worthiness
25th May	Year 1	Responsibility
15th June	Reception	Curiosity

MATHS

During the summer term, we will be having a big push on arithmetic in Years 1-5. In class, the children will focus on one or two of their arithmetic objectives for a week. They will also bring home a sheet or two of arithmetic practice sheets for homework - this is instead of the teacher setting homework on Mathematics. Of course, we would still encourage the children to continue to use Mathematics and Times Tables Rock Stars to work on other areas of Maths. At the end of Summer Term 1, the children will do a second arithmetic test so that they can see how much better they have become. This has been a huge success in Year 6 in the Spring Term, with some children increasing their score by huge amounts. Year 6 will now be focussing on shape, geometry and reasoning type work.

Thank you for your support with Maths. *Mrs Ripley*

MAGICAL MATHS CLUB

The children were introduced to Professor Poopenshtinken's Magical Maths Club in assembly last week. They were very excited to meet him. The Professor will be running a Magical Maths Club for KS1 and KS2 for 6 weeks from the 20th April. For more information and to book please visit www.magicalmathsclub.com or call 0113 8343949. Payments to be made online to Magical Maths. *This is maths.....but not as you know it!!!*

READING HOMEWORK

During the summer term, we will be having a big push on reading homework. The children will bring home a reading sheet each week set as homework. The reading sheet may consist of 60 second reads or it may be a variety of age appropriate comprehension questions.

This is instead of the 'reading challenges' that the children completed for homework. However, please feel free to continue to complete these as an extra challenge. The 60 second reads have been a great success in Year 2 so far, helping them with retrieval and inference questions. Many thanks - *Mrs Longstaff.*

YEAR 5 SPELLINGS

After Easter Year 5 spelling test will be on a Wednesday with new spellings given out on Wednesday to learn for the following week.

YEAR 5 TOPIC WORK

Please can Year 5 children bring in empty, 2 litre fizzy drinks bottles after Easter to use in their topic work. Thank you *Miss Meikle*

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Over the holidays please check all your child's uniform is labelled with their name. Also, please check your child's pumps to ensure that they have not outgrown them and that they are still in a good condition and replace where necessary. Thank you

CHOCOLATE RAFFLE

Thank you to all who purchased tickets for the chocolate raffle in school, we raised £69 and is now added to the money raised during Games Week and the Bingo/ Fairtrade Café for the Good Shepherd Appeal. The total raised was a very impressive £707.20, Thank you for your generosity.

SAFETY IN THE SCHOOL CAR PARK

When parking in the school car park through the gates, please use the footpaths to enter school via the playground. Please do not walk through the gates where cars enter, as it is not safe to do so. Thank you

SCHOOL SMOKING POLICY

Please be reminded that smoking and the use of e-cigarettes are not permitted in any part of the school site at any time. This applies to all school buildings and the outside areas of the school, including playgrounds, sports field and car parks. Smoking at the entrances and exits to the school site is also strongly discouraged. Thank you

GUISELEY FC TRAINING SESSIONS

There will be no after school football training on Thursdays after the Easter holidays. We will be looking to do something else on a Thursday after school – so watch this space!

YEAR 6 FOOTBALL TEAM

A letter has been sent home via the book bags this afternoon as we have a match on Monday 16th April, straight after the holidays. If your child is able to play in this match, please complete the slip and return on the first day back.

YEAR 1 TABLE TOP SALE

Thank you to Year 1 children and their parents for sending in pre-loved items for our table top sale. Year 1 managed to raise £27.50 for CAFOD this half term. Thank you *Mrs Munro*

YEAR 1 REQUEST FOR GARDENING ITEMS

If anyone has any items they can donate to Year 1 for their flower shop role-play area next half term, we would very much appreciate this. We need children's garden tools and accessories, plastic/fake flowers, tin/plastic vases, plastic plant pots and any leftover artificial grass. Thank you - *Mrs Munro*

GARDEN CENTRE RESOURCES

Reception class will be setting up a garden centre role-play area in the summer term. If you have any unwanted gardening items, please send them into school and we will put them to good use! (Useful items - artificial flowers, plastic plant pots/containers, seed packets, plastic garden tools, unused/old garden toys - wheelbarrows/ lawnmowers etc.) Thank you *Mrs Bennett*

GARDENING AFTERNOONS

What green fingers we are going to have at Ss Peter and Paul!! Many thanks to those parents that have already volunteered to help Mrs Ripley with the whole school gardening project. There is still a chance to volunteer, please see the attachment included with your electronic copy of the newsletter.

YEADON CARNIVAL

Yeadon Carnival will take place on **7th July**. This year's theme is Music through the ages. All proceeds will go towards Yeadon Charities - Memory Lane and AVSED, which were the charities, voted for by the people of Yeadon. Parents and children who are interested in dressing up, getting their dancing shoes on and joining the carnival procession please meet Fiona outside the **Town Hall at 10.30am**, the procession will start at 11am going up Yeadon High Street and will eventually arrive at Yeadon Cricket Club where the King and Queen will be crowned. There will be fairground rides, inflatables, stalls, family races and lots of fun at Yeadon Cricket Club. There will also be a trophy for the best dressed school. Parents need to accompany children at all times, during the procession and at the cricket club.

This is great family day out and a fabulous way for us to support our local community.

Many thanks to Fiona for offering to 'front' this.

COMMONWEALTH GAMES

An ex pupil of Ss. Peter and Paul, Callum Hall and his wife Jade are both competing in the Commonwealth Games. Jade is participating in the Paratriathlon on Saturday 7th April and both Callum and Jade will be participating in the Wheelchair Marathon on Sunday 15th April, we wish them lots of luck.

LEEDS CAMPS – EASTER BOOKINGS

There are a number of Easter camps available over the Easter holidays for various activities, that can be booked by visiting the following link <http://store.leedscamps.co.uk/en/> including camps in Otley and Horsforth.



Year 6 Football Tournament - Wednesday 28th March

The football team represented Guiseley FC fantastically and scored some great goals! You should all be very proud with your great effort and sportsmanship!

Keep up the great work - Mrs Longstaff.

WEEKLY AWARDS

'Mathletics – Best in Class'

Reception – William W.
Year 1 – Savannah A.
Year 2 – Christopher K.
Year 3 – Daisy H.
Year 4 – Thomas E.
Year 5 – Gabriella P.
Year 6 – Ellie M.

'Spellodrome – Highest Achiever'

Year 1 – Anabelle S.
Year 2 – Christopher K.
Year 3 – Daisy H.
Year 4 – Olivia W.
Year 5 – Gabriella P.
Year 6 – Clare C.

FRIENDS OF Ss. PETER & PAUL

End of Term: Summer Disco

Wednesday 23rd May 2018 – Reception & KS1 6pm – 7pm; KS2 7.30pm – 8.30pm [Further details to follow]

Next Meeting

The next FOSPAP meeting will take place on Thursday 15th May 2018, 7pm in school – all welcome to attend.