



# St. Austin's Catholic Primary School A Catholic Voluntary Academy Weekly Newsletter: Friday 29th June 2018 No: 33



## Spiritual Reflection—SS. Peter and Paul

Today the church keeps the feast day of Saints Peter and Paul and we gathered together as a whole school community for mass this morning. Saints Peter and Paul are often referred to as 'princes' of the apostles, from whom we derive our Christian faith. The Lord stood by them and gave them power, so that through them the message of the gospel might be proclaimed for all the world to hear.

During his time as an apostle, Peter showed definite signs of leadership. He was often the spokesperson for the group. When Jesus asked, "Who do you say I am?" Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." It was Peter who objected to Jesus stating that he was on his way to Jerusalem to suffer and die. Peter is mentioned 195 times in the New Testament. He appears lovable, impetuous, practical and sometimes weak under pressure. Jesus loved him dearly, even

after Peter denied knowing him during his final hours on earth.

Paul was a strict Jew who persecuted Christians. One day, whilst on the way to Damascus, he met Jesus in a dramatic way. Paul became the greatest Christian missionary, preaching and founding churches. He travelled around the Roman Empire preaching about Christ's suffering. When we read his letters we get the impression that he was affectionate, loyal, courageous and dedicated. St. Augustine of Hippo explained why these two apostles share the same feast day. *"Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labours, their sufferings, their preaching and their confession of faith."*

### Monday 2nd July

UFS and KS1 Sports Day—morning session  
Whole School Picnic Lunch with parents  
KS2 Sports Day—afternoon session  
**No Netball Club this week**

### Tuesday 3rd July

10.00am Y5B Class Mass  
3.00pm Biscuit and Bun Sale  
6.00pm BKCAT Singing Festival at SS. Peter and Paul's Church—all welcome to attend  
**No Computer Club this week**

### Wednesday 4th July

Football Coaching—3.30pm with Elite Coaching (**Final Session**)

### Thursday 5th July

10.00am Ukulele Concert—KS2 Hall—all welcome  
3.30pm KS2 Choir with Mr. Molyneux and Mrs. Willis  
7.00pm **St. Austin's Got Talent—'The Final'**

### Friday 6th July

3.30pm Dance Club—with Elite Coaching (**Final session**)

## Celebrations

### Hot Chocolate with the Head

As we have had a busy week in school Hot Chocolate with the Head has been postponed until early next week. Therefore the names of this weeks winners will be on next weeks newsletter along with next weeks winners.

### Dojo Winners for last half term

The following children have been rewarded with a lovely lunchtime treat in the restaurant at Sainsbury's Trinity Walk for their continued hard work and excellent attitude to learning. Congratulations to:

UFS—Aridona Hajrullahu, Jakob Zadrozny, Hugo Akhirebhu, Niamh Fallon

KS1—Maja Szopa, Michalina Julga, Rehan Hussain, Precious Kigochi

Tanya Da Mata, Thomas Steele—McKay  
KS2—Mariyah Iqbal, Safiullah Abrar, Rebecca Selway, Megan Van Der Merwe, Oliwia Warkocz, Izabela Skoluda, Johns Judin, Alishba Komel, Holly Snaith, Mandisa Bhebhe.

Well Done everyone!

## Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

This half term pupils in all classes, as part of our RSE Policy and the summer curriculum, are completing a unit of work under the overarching title of 'Education in Personal Relationships.' At St. Austin's we use an age appropriate scheme called 'In the Beginning' which has for many years been used as part of EPR/RSE in our Catholic schools across the diocese of Leeds. The programme builds on previous learning and helps pupils to understand about our importance as human beings in God's creation.

In Years 5 and 6 the 'All That I Am' scheme is the main resource used which focuses on pupils' personal, spiritual, emotional and social development. This is supported further by the Local Authority School Nursing Team who visit school each year to work with our Y6 children delivering key information about puberty.

Although the materials that we are currently using are not new programmes and have been taught in school for many years should you wish to look at any of the materials or resources please contact your child's class teacher.

Parents may be interested to know that the diocese, in conjunction with the CES (Catholic Education Service) and staff across diocesan schools, anticipate the introduction of a single scheme to be used across catholic schools in England and Wales next academic year. More information will follow as soon as it is available.

### Parish Mass times this weekend are:

**St Austin's:**  
Saturday at 5pm, Sunday at 9am and 10.45am

**SS Peter & Paul's**  
Saturday at 6.15pm, Sunday at 8.15am, 11am and 6pm

## Diary Dates for the Summer Term

Monday 2nd July	UFS & KS1 Sports day MORNING family picnic for all pupils and families and KS2 Sports Day AFTERNOON
Tuesday 3rd July	Bun and Biscuit Sale for St. Catherine's Foodbank and CAP Wakefield BKCAT Singing Festival
Thursday 5th July	10.00am—Ukulele Concert (Y3 children) in KS2 Hall—all welcome 7.00pm St Austin's Got Talent Final at St Austin's Theatre
Monday 9th July	<b>Reserve</b> Sports Day am and pm and picnic
Wednesday 11th July	Y6 Transition day to City Academy
Monday 16th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly Y6 Leavers Party
Tuesday 17th July	School Choir Concert Whole School Celebration Evening
Thursday 19th July	10.00am Leavers Mass at St. Austin's Church
Friday 20th July	School closes for Summer break

### School Holidays 2018/2019

Autumn Term 2018		
School opens	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	
School closes	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Half term
School opens	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	
School Closes	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Holidays
Spring Term 2019		
School opens	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	
School closes	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term
School opens	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	
School closes	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter
Summer Term 2019		
School opens	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	
School closed	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day
School closes	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Spring Bank Holidays
School opens	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	
School closes	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer break

Inset days: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October, Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 & Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019

### Ukulele Concert—Thursday 5th July at 10.00am

Why not come and listen to our talented Y3 children who have been learning to play the Ukulele this year. They will showcase their skills in a short concert on Thursday morning ably led by Mrs. Garside our Ukulele teacher.



### General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

In order to ensure that the school has accurate information and parental consent as appropriate, we recently sent out Pupil Data Capture Forms. Thank you to those of you that have returned the Parental Consent Form already. We ask that those that have not, do so as soon as possible please so school are able to update our records. We strongly recommend that you do consent to all options on the form to ensure and enable your child to access all aspects of school life.

### Attendance

In KS1 & UFS the winners this week are RW with an attendance of 98%.

In KS2 the joint winners this week are 3W & 4N with an attendance of 99%



### Hot Weather

As the very hot weather is expected to continue into next week please ensure children have sun cream applied each day before school, bring a hat every day and ensure all water bottles are brought back into school on Monday.

### Healthy Snacks

We actively encourage healthy eating across school. It is good to see children who bring a packed lunch from home eating a healthy lunch with a piece of fruit. **Please can we ask parents, especially of our younger children, to cut up any fruit into bite-size pieces? This minimises the risk of children choking on fruit and avoids unnecessary waste.** Thank you.

### Milk in School

If you would like your child to receive milk in school next academic year when we return in September the cost for this will be £7.60 and can be paid at the school office from today.

## Bishop Konstant Youth Choir



All young people from school Year 4 upwards are invited to join the new Diocesan Youth Choir for the Wakefield and Pontefract area. They rehearse once a week with expert tutors and take part in concerts, Masses, recordings and tours. With the generous support of the Diocese and our supporting schools it's also FREE!

Wakefield Boys' Choir - Wednesdays 4.30-5.30 - English Martyrs School, Wakefield

Wakefield Girls' Choir - Tuesdays 4.15-5.15 - St. Thomas a Becket School, Wakefield

Please contact the Diocese of Leeds for more information. 0113 244 8634 / office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk