



St Peter's
CE Primary School
Bratton

NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th May 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will have noticed the work on the field taking place this week. We are having a path constructed around the edge of the field to help us complete activities like 'The Daily Mile' all year round. We hope this will be completed next week and that we can start to use the path very soon.

Year 6, all the best for your SATs tests next week. My advice – sleep well, eat well, drink lots of water and try not to worry about them! All we ask is you do your best!

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

Thought for the week:

Our life is shaped by our mind, for we become what we think.

Buddha

UPDATES

SATs and Statutory Tests:

Year 6 have SATs tests next week and we wish them every success. We thought it would be helpful for all parents to have an overview of the statutory tests that are carried out, as they take place during the summer term.

Year 6:

Year 6 have SATs tests next week! The timetable for tests, following what is set down by the Department for Education is:

Monday – Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

Tuesday – Reading

Wednesday – Maths

Thursday – Maths

We will be completing our tests in the mornings.

Writing for Year 6 assessments is assessed by teachers. There are moderation procedures in place to make sure the assessments are accurate. These assessments are completed by the end of June.

Year 2:

Year 2 are also completing their SATs through June. Year 2 SATs inform teacher judgements about the level children are working at – they do not work in the same way as Year 6 SATs. The Year 2 SATs in reading and maths will all be completed by May half-term. Assessment of children's writing is made at the end of June. The results are reported to parents with the annual school report.

Year 1:

Year 1 children all take part in the phonics check. This takes place in the week beginning 10th June. These take place as a 1:1 between child and class teacher. Because we regularly do this sort of checking in Year 1, children are quite used to how the process works.

Year 4:

From 2020, all schools will take part in a multiplication tables check. It is proposed these tests take place in all primary schools in a 3 week window in June. We are going to try out these tests this year, with our current Year 4. Tests take place in small groups of about 5 and are completed on a computer or tablet. Each child in the group being tested is given a different set of questions through the online system.

Booking for Clubs:

We wanted to let parents know, that we have been working on a new approach to booking school clubs for some time. We expect that for the autumn term, all clubs will be able to be booked online, with an instant notification if a place is available. This and the payment will all come through the MCAS system that parents can access. The option to pay with child care vouchers or the HMRC payment schemes will be included within the system. When it is up and running, we will let parents know.

Gate locking:

We have been opening the gates at the end of the day a little later than we were – about 3.10. We will also be locking them promptly in the mornings, once the bell has gone. This is because, as we are coming into the summer, we want to make maximum use of the outside and this allows us to make sure the site is secure for that.

Annual Bratton Walk

Attached to the newsletter is the information about the annual Bratton walk, organised by the PTA, along with sponsorship forms. Parents are very welcome to join us at 1.30pm for the walk, meeting on the playground. This year, we would like children to dress up (for the day) in something that reflects their year group theme for the term.

All money raised from sponsorship will be used to buy reading books for school. Last year, the PTA donated £7,000 to school to buy books. There is still lots of updating to do with books and using the money in this way will benefit children for many years to come.

These are the themes this term:

Reception – Super Heroes

Year 1 – In The Kitchen

Year 2 - India

Year 3 – Romans (No Weapons Needed!)

Year 4 – Tudors (No Weapons Needed!)

Year 5 – Ancient Greece

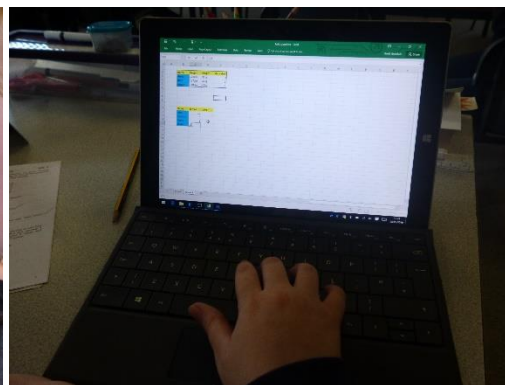
Year 6 – Ancient Greece

UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES

Year 6 Computing: Excel.

In the last two weeks, we have been learning how to use Excel. We have learnt how to: record data in a grid, copy and delete cells, make pictures by colouring the cells in and creating borders. For example, we made a picture of a duck and a strawberry by highlighting cells in different colours. We have been learning this with Mrs Skilton every Wednesday and have been adding to a booklet that instructs us and gives us tasks. We all have enjoyed completing these tasks and we're looking forward to continuing in the future.

By Tom, Sophie and Alasdair. 6W2



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Thursday 23 rd May	Sponsored Walk
w/c 3 rd June	Value Day
Tuesday 4 th June	KS1 Sports Day
Wednesday 5 th June	KS2 Sports Day
Thursday 6 th June	Pentecost Experience Year 4 – details to follow
Thursday 6 th June	Year 3 visit to Chester
Friday 7 th June	Open day for prospective parents
Tuesday 11 th June	Prayer for School 10:00-11:30am
Tuesday 18 th June	Year 1 visit to Blists Hill – details to follow
Wednesday 19 th June	Reception visit to Weston Park
Thursday 20 th June	Year 4 visit to Shrewsbury Museum
Thursday 20 th June	Years 5 and 6 Hobgoblin Theatre Company Workshop in school
Monday 24 th June	Reception September 2019 Induction morning – details to follow
Tuesday 25 th June	Reception September 2019 Induction morning – details to follow
Friday 28 th June	St Peter's Day celebrations
Friday 12 th July	School Fete – details to follow
Tuesday 16 th July	Hopes and Fears Workshop Year 6 – details to follow
Wednesday 17 th July	Leavers Service in school Year 6 pupils and parents only – details to follow
Thursday 18 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service 10am St Peter's Church, Wrockwardine