

## St Peter's CE Primary School

### Bratton

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th January 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to another edition of the newsletter. A lighter edition than we had last week.

I have been really pleased to complete giving out all our Head Teacher awards. We award 28 Head Teacher awards each half-term to reflect the effort and attitude of our pupils and I go and talk about these awards and give out the badges to each class. Well done to all our award winners, I am very proud of you. I know how excited you have all been to get your badges – the colour this term is a turquoise blue.

There is information this week from the West Mercia Police about parking. Currently, enforcement of parking rules sits with them but is transferring to Telford and Wrekin Council at the end of the month. Full details are in the attachments for you.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

**Head Teacher** 

Thought for the week: 20th January Martin Luther King Day - The time is always right to do what is right. Martin Luther King Jr

**UPDATES AND INFORMATION** 

#### The Bratton Mile

#### What is the Bratton Mile?

The Bratton Mile is a daily walk or run around our path and track at school. It's up to children how they complete the Bratton Mile. Some children walk and talk with friends, some children walk and choose to spend some time on their own, others like to run and some like to have a competition with friends.

1 mile is 4 laps of the track. Some children do 4 laps, others do less, some children choose to do more – it's individual choice.

#### Does everyone have to take part?

We expect everyone to have a go, unless they are injured or there is a specific reason that they can't take part. If that applies to your child, you just need to let us know through the school office or with the member of staff on duty at the door. But, as we've shared above, children complete different amounts of activity.

#### Why do we do the Bratton Mile?

Several reasons.

Over the winter our field isn't in use, we have playgrounds but there isn't enough space for everyone to run around as they would like. The Bratton Mile allows everyone to stretch their legs, get fresh air and be outside without getting cold – it's a healthy activity to do.

There is a government agenda of increasing physical activity in primary schools. We do 2 hours of PE a week and due to coming into school in our kit, we don't spend that time changing. Schools are expected to be doing other physical activity each day beyond PE – included directed activities, activities at lunch and things like 'active paths' – which we are currently planning. A method, which has been championed in Telford and Wrekin is 'The Daily Mile'. You can find out more about this here https://thedailymile.co.uk/

As we reach the spring and the field becomes dry enough to use, we'll review what we are doing and do a greater range of activities over the summer months.

#### What breaks do children have?

For children in Year 1 and 2:

Morning break (15 minutes) – free play

Lunchtime (1 hour) – mixture of lunch, free play and organised activities

Afternoon break (15 minutes) - daily mile

For children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6:

Morning break (15 minutes) – daily mile

Lunchtime (1 hour) – mixture of lunch, free play and organised activities

Children also take part in a 'calm brain' activity 2-3 times a day – you can find details of this here <a href="http://calmbrainapproach.com/">http://calmbrainapproach.com/</a>

#### Photos from The Bratton Mile last week:











#### Prayer Table



Each half term the local church come into school and set up a new communal prayer space. The children are able to access this area during lunchtimes and interact with it. The prayer space is themed around our focus school value for the half term or a significant Christian event such as Advent. This strengthens the school's existing Christian partnership with our parish.

#### **Tuck In To Win**

Telford and Wrekin are running a school lunch competition to win an iPad! Please see the attached poster for details. Good luck!

#### **SPORT UPDATE**

A big well done to the pupils who participated in an Archery Tournament this week. The children had to compete in two scoring challenges - a distance challenge and a target challenge. They showed a fantastic attitude and really enjoyed their time there!



#### **UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES**

This week in squirrel school year 1 made bird feeders. We talked about the season and that birds find it hard to find food when it is cold and that we need to help them out!

The children had great fun mixing and squishing the lard and birdseed together to make balls.

They then hung them around the forest area for the birds to find.















#### Inclusion news!

Following on from the success of the coffee morning last November, we are thrilled to be holding our next one on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 9-10am. You do not have to have a child with special educational needs to attend. You are all very welcome so please pop along for a cuppa, cake and a chat to learn more about how we support our pupils at St. Peters



### SEND Parent and Carer coffee Morning

Date: Friday 7th February 2020

Time: 9-10am

Venue: St. Peter's Primary

We will have visitors from SEND
Information and Advice Service (SEND
IASS) and the Bridge Special school.
Representatives from the Telford and
Wrekin SEND team will also be sharing
information about the Local Offer for
SEND and where we can find the
information.

We look forward to seeing you there!

From,

Miss Plowman and Mrs
Woolley



#### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Date	Event
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	Y4 Viking Workshop
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Y4 Fire Service Visit
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 6 reading morning with parents – details to follow
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	School council meeting
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	RE ambassadors meeting
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Safeguarding squad meeting
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Y3 Read along morning
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Prayer Meeting 2pm
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	SEND Coffee Morning 9am-10am
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	RE ambassadors meeting
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Safeguarding squad meeting
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	PD Day
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y1 Exotic Zoo visit – details to follow
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	RE ambassadors meeting
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 Wroxeter visit – details to follow
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Prayer meeting 2pm
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	RE ambassadors meeting
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Learning conference – details to follow
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Learning conference – details to follow
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 Black Country Museum visit – details to follow
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	RE ambassadors meeting
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter Service – details to follow
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	End of term