



St Peter's CE Primary School

Bratton

NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th January 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have a rather full newsletter this week, with reports on a visit by the fire service, a Viking workshop, Young Voices and some lovely artwork from Year 5, along with various updates for you.

I wanted to say how proud I was of all the children who went to Young Voices this year. They represented our school superbly and sung their hearts out. Well done to all of them and thank you to our team of staff who made this happen. A great event, which we will book again for next year.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

Thought for the week: 27th January - Holocaust Memorial Day - There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest. Ellie Wiesel

UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Inclusion

You may have noticed that the information on our website about SEND has been updated. There is now a direct link to information for parents and carers about SEND. Please watch this space as we develop and improve this over the coming months!



Safeguarding Squad update.

It has come to our attention that a lot of children are accessing the app "TikTok", which is a video-sharing social media app. The age restrictions for this app are 12 +, however you can view videos without having an account. As a group, we are doing some work on other apps and games that primary pupils might use and how parents can help have open and frank discussions about online safety with their children. Please take some time to read the attached poster, which outlines what the app is and how to use privacy settings. Online Safety day is coming up on the 11th February so we will be releasing our own guides to PEGI ratings and apps.

Music

Young Voices

As choir set off on Tuesday for Young Voices the words from one of our songs really set the scene.

**TELL EVERYBODY I'M ON MY WAY,
NEW FRIENDS AND NEW PLACES TO SEE.
WITH BLUE SKIES AHEAD YES I'M ON MY WAY
AND THERE'S NOWHERE ELSE THAT I'D RATHER BE.
TELL EVERYBODY I'M ON MY WAY,
AND I'M LOVING EVERY STEP I TAKE.
WITH THE SUN BEATING DOWN YES I'M ON MY WAY
AND I CAN'T KEEP THIS SMILE OFF MY FACE.**

Upon arrival at the arena we had our lunch and then it was straight into rehearsals with the 6000 other children from schools across the country. The conductor split us into different parts for some of the songs and we got to sing with the guest artists.

After tea, concert time was fast approaching and we looked out eagerly into the crowd looking for our friends and families who had come to support the children. It was then show time and the children sang their hearts out, danced till their feet hurt and put on an amazing show.

We could not be more proud of the hard work and dedication of our children. They have spent weeks learning dance moves and perfecting songs. Giving up lunchtimes for extra rehearsals. Well done choir!





UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES

Reception

The reception team have attached a copy of their latest Newsletter.

Year 4

Year 4 had a visit from Shropshire Fire and Rescue team today from the Wellington station. They thoroughly enjoyed learning about all the different parts of the fire engine and hearing the siren. They also took part in a quiz in the classroom, discussed how to prevent fires in the home and what to do in a fire. They may want to talk to you about this. They were also told how important it is to have a working smoke alarm fitted in their houses and that it is tested every week. What a great week year 4 have had!

For further information on fire safety or advice about smoke alarms, ring Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service 01743 260200 www.shropshirefire.gov.uk



Year 5

Last term 5W2's topic was stargazers with a focus on space. During our art lessons we studied the work of the artist Peter Thorpe. We looked at how he depicted space within his paintings and how he used different techniques to create the different textures within one painting. Inspired by his work we created our own space themed abstract pictures. Once completed we then sent the artist copies of our pictures. Peter Thorpe responded, and we were very excited by what he had to say about our pictures. His response and some of the paintings are below.

Thank you very much for sending images of your students rocket paintings. I am honoured to be of inspiration to them. The variety of paintings is very impressive, and I can tell one thing for studying them, your students had fun! I see lots of blending of paint, use of both bright and subtle colours, creative use of black, and wonderful planets, stars and especially rockets. And in one I can see an astronaut looking out a window! There are even a few buildings and one use of letters on a rocket, which I think is great.

Although they are all wonderful, I especially like the one with a red planet in the centre with a blue and pink rocket in front of it. On this one, it is actually the background I find most interesting...the consistent short strokes of paint and the use of colour there is really quite nice. But there are a few others with very interesting backgrounds, including one with pastel coloured background shapes that very much reminds me of Matisse. Another with a white rocket has a number of thin lined curly cues. The quality of the dark background in this one is very interesting and the line work on it contrasts nicely.

I congratulate your students on excellent work and hope that they carry their enthusiasm for space travel into the future, a future that will likely contain lots of space exploration and settlement. And hopefully some of them will be able to be a part of that adventure.

Peter

Peter Thorpe

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Year 4 Vikings



Our Viking workshop in year 4 proved to be very popular amongst the children. They were able to handle genuine Viking artefacts and try on replica clothing. The children made suggestions about what they thought the different objects were and how they were used, and our expert visitor Erik Erikson told us the truly vile Viking facts. Can your child identify any of the objects above?

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Tuesday 28 th January	Year 6 reading morning with parents
Tuesday 28 th January	School council meeting
Tuesday 28 th January	RE ambassadors meeting
Wednesday 29 th January	Safeguarding squad meeting
Wednesday 29 th January	Y3 Read along morning
Thursday 30 th January	Prayer Meeting 2pm
Monday 3 rd February	Y4 Veolia Workshop
Friday 7 th February	SEND Coffee Morning 9am-10am
Tuesday 11 th February	RE ambassadors meeting
Wednesday 12 th February	Safeguarding squad meeting
Friday 14 th February	PD Day
Monday 17 th February	Half Term
w/c Monday 2 nd March	Book Fair – details to follow
Tuesday 3 rd March	Y1 Exotic Zoo visit
Tuesday 3 rd March	RE ambassadors meeting
Thursday 5 th March	Y3 Wroxeter visit – details to follow
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day – details to follow
Friday 13 th March	Prayer meeting 2pm
Tuesday 17 th March	RE ambassadors meeting
Thursday 19 th March	Learning conference – details to follow
Friday 20 th March	Learning conference – details to follow
Friday 27 th March	Y5 Black Country Museum visit – details to follow
Tuesday 31 st March	RE ambassadors meeting
Thursday 2 nd April	Easter Service – St Peter’s Church, Wrockwardine 10:00am 1E1 2E1 3S1 4S1 5W1 6W1
Friday 3 rd April	End of term