



St Peter's CE Primary School

Bratton

NEWSLETTER

Friday 6th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to another edition of the newsletter.

It's been a busy week at St Peter's. Year 1 have visited the Exotic Zoo, Year 3 have visited Wroxeter to learn about The Romans, Year 2 had a reading event and the whole school is celebrating World Book Day today! Thank you for all your support with these events.

There is information in the newsletter this week about British Science Week and Sport Relief.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

Thought for the week: 9th March Commonwealth Day - Maybe young people live in the world we created, but in the future we must live in the one they create. Wu Nien-Jen

UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Sport Relief



St Peter's School is excited to be taking part in Sport Relief this year. While we are aware that the official date for the event is the 13th of March, we will be doing our bit during the last week of term (week beginning the 30th of March). Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to sharing more information about this closer to the time!

Celebrate British Science Week in the Midlands



<https://www.whatsonlive.co.uk/news/celebrate-british-science-week-in-the-midlands/>

The Midlands has given rise to many great scientists that have helped shape both our nation and the world, including Shrewsbury-born Charles Darwin.

In celebration of British Science Week (Friday 6 - Sunday 15 March), here are special events taking place and the best Midlands educational attractions to visit to get you in the science spirit. This year's theme is 'Our Diverse Planet', so the guide has a particular focus on geology and biodiversity.

The Big Bang Fair 2020, NEC

11 - 14 March www.thebigbangfair.co.uk

The Big Bang UK Young Scientists & Engineers Fair is the largest celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) for young people in the UK. The Fair is free, and it gives young people aged 7 to 19 the chance to try out over 100 hands-on activities, see dozens of mind-boggling shows, hear from inspiring engineers and scientists from some of the UK's biggest companies and find out about the opportunities available in STEM.

Meet the Octonauts, Thinktank

7 - 8 March www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/thinktank/whats-on/british-science-week-celebration

Head over to Thinktank to meet very special guests Captain Barnacles and Kwazii from animated children's TV series The Octonauts - a show about an adventure team who explore the world, rescue the creatures who live there and protect their habitats above and below the waves (from the rainforests of the Amazon to the deepest depths of the Midnight Zone). Also don't forget that elsewhere in the museum you can take part in Sea Life object handling sessions, see the water science demo in the outdoor Science Garden, and get hands-on with Imagination Playground and under the sea challenges.

National SEA LIFE Centre, Birmingham

www.visitsealife.com/birmingham

National SEA LIFE Centre features the UK's only 360 ocean tunnel, so you can get nose-to-nose with Black Tip Reef Sharks, giant rays and a Giant Green Sea Turtle. If that's not enough, then the site also allows visitors to have a Penguin Ice Adventure: meeting the colony of Gentoo penguins. With over 2000 magical sea creatures to learn about - from magnificent sharks and colourful clownfish, to snapping piranhas and majestic jellyfish - and the UK's first rescued Sea Otter pair, SEA LIFE is the best place to learn all about our planet's deep blue seas.

Enginuity, Ironbridge

www.ironbridge.org.uk/explore/enginuity

Children of all ages can head to the World Heritage Site in Telford and learn about the impact science has on the world, as well as heaps of family fun and friendly challenges along the way. Budding scientists can get hands-on from the very get go! With mind-blowing experiments such as using water to generate electricity, building an earthquake-proof turret or challenging friends to put together the strongest tower – there's so much to learn about the true gravity of science.

Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre

www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk

Experience the Shropshire Hills Through Time exhibition: from start to finish, use all of your senses to explore the Ice Age through to the present day. You can even meet a mammoth! The full size replica of the skeleton found at Condover, near Shrewsbury, makes Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre the perfect place to begin your exploration of the area and learn some science.

Dudley Zoo and Castle

www.dudleyzoo.org.uk

Hundreds of exotic and endangered animals inhabit an ancient wooded hillside around the ruins of the 11th century Dudley Castle. Dudley Zoo and Castle is a home for more than 1300 animals - nigh on 200 species, including some of the rarest creatures on Planet Earth. Much of the animal collection is linked to international conservation and breeding programmes, with several award-winning global projects.

Endangered species include Asiatic lions, Sumatran tigers, Bornean orangutans, Tibetan red pandas, Rothschild giraffes, Madagascan lemurs and Humboldt penguins (of which DZC has the UK's largest parent-reared colony).

Lapworth Museum of Geology, Birmingham

<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/lapworth-museum>

Enabling visitors to explore life over the past 3.5 billion years, the Lapworth Museum showcases exceptional objects from one of the UK's most outstanding geological collections, with state-of-the-art galleries and a range of innovative and interactive exhibits - all completely free of charge. From rocks and fossils to volcanoes, earthquakes, and even dinosaurs, the Museum captures the imagination of all ages.

Birmingham Wildlife Conservation Park

www.birmingham.gov.uk/info/50042/birmingham_wildlife_conservation_park

Birmingham Wildlife Conservation Park is home to a unique collection of animals from across the world. Some animals are endangered in the wild and the park plays an important role in their species' conservation by participating in breeding programmes. Watch experienced keepers feed the residents, including otters, lynx and a large collection of monkeys. Birmingham Wildlife Conservation Park is a great place to study science!

Erasmus Darwin House, Lichfield

www.erasmusdarwin.org

Nestled in Lichfield's idyllic Cathedral Close, Darwin House is an independent, accredited Museum that was once the family home of doctor, inventor and published poet Erasmus Darwin (1731 – 1802). With its unique place in Georgian history, Darwin House showcases the breadth of Erasmus Darwin's interests and achievements which laid the foundations for his grandson and evolutionary biologist, Charles. The museum will be closed from 2 to 6 March 2020 for redecoration but is back just in time for the first few days of British Science Week.

West Midland Safari Park, Bewdley

www.wmsp.co.uk

Are you ready to go on Safari and get up close to incredible animals from around the world? That's what West Midland Safari Park offers thousands of visitors every year. Aside from the animals to learn about, you can see the UK's largest animatronic dinosaur attraction! Get ready to be transported back in time and see the story of the dinosaurs unfold over millions of years. Go on a prehistoric journey of life on Earth after the dinosaurs became extinct. Wander through an enormous rumbling volcano and pass through a huge atmospheric ice cave.

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FREE Music Therapy sessions at The Sambrook Centre Wednesday 9am – 5pm



Nordoff Robbins are offering FREE music therapy sessions at The Sambrook Centre. We use music to enrich the lives of people affected by life limiting illness, isolation or disability. These include but are not limited to mental health difficulties, learning difficulties, autism, dementia, acquired brain injury, homelessness and loneliness.

If you or anybody you know could benefit from receiving music therapy please fill out a referral form. They can be collected from Reception at The Sambrook Centre.

If you would like some more information please call Evie on 07552 248 549



Please follow this link for the Sambrook Centre website.

<https://www.stirchleyandbrooksideparishcouncil.gov.uk/The-Sambrook-Centre.aspx>

UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES

Year 4

On **Monday 9th March** and **Wednesday 11th March**, Year 4 will take their learning outside, exploring the local area as well as our school grounds. Pupils will need to **wear suitable outdoor clothing** and bring a **change of footwear**. They will also need a **hollowed-out orange** for Monday. Please see the letter for more details.

As part of this, we will be making a **bug hotel on Monday** and **any donations** would be much appreciated! There is a drop off point in the orchard for items such as bricks, planks of wood, plant pots, mini logs, corrugated card, toilet/kitchen roll inner and even bird houses. For larger items (e.g. pallets) please let the office know beforehand.



Year 1 visit to the Exotic Zoo

On Tuesday year one visited the Exotic Zoo. We had a fantastic morning visiting the animals and enjoying a classification workshop.

As part of our visit we took part in an African animal classification workshop where we met a range of animals and talked about their features.

We met:

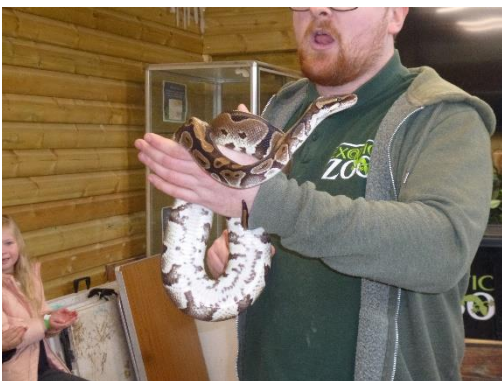
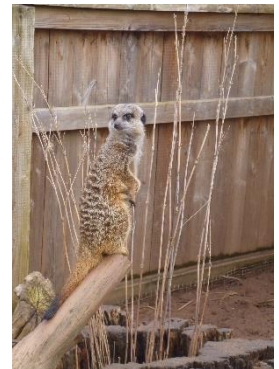
A giant African land snail

An African bullfrog

A barn owl

A meercat

We had a wonderful visit and are looking forward to using our animal knowledge within our class work.



Year 2

On Thursday this week, year 2 welcomed their parents into class to read a book with them. The children loved welcoming the parents into school and showing them their well-loved book corner and both parents and children enjoyed sharing and talking about their favourite books. Thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who took time out of their day to pop in! It was lovely to see such a great turnout.

Mrs Lewis and Miss Badley



Year 4

Year 4 have been enjoying reading and relaxing in our new rainforest themed book corner.

As part of our World Book Day, we have been generating adjectives to describe different colours.



SPORT UPDATE

Football

A big well done to our Year 4 girls in the football tournament on Thursday, you displayed a fantastic attitude and put 100% into every game. Another big well done to our 5/6 girls who won their group stage and got through to the quarter finals! What a fantastic show of teamwork and determination from all of our players.

P.S. Please return any kit you may have ready for future games!



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
w/c 9 th March	British Science Week
Tuesday 10 th March	Reception visit to Wrockwardine Church
Thursday 12 th March	Y4 Salvation Army visiting
Friday 13 th March	Prayer meeting 2pm
Friday 13 th March	Y4 Reading morning 8:50 – 9:20am
Monday 16 th March	Learning conference 9am – 12 noon RO2, 1E1, 3S1, 4S1, 5W2, 6W1
Tuesday 17 th March	RE ambassadors meeting
Thursday 19 th March	Learning conference 3:30 – 6pm All classes

Friday 20 th March	Learning conference 9am – 12 noon RO1, 1E2, 2E1, 2E2, 3S2, 4S2, 5W1, 6W2
Tuesday 24 th March	Y2 Shrewsbury Museum visit
Wednesday 25 th March	Y5 Easter Experience visit High Ercall Church
Friday 27 th March	Y5 Black Country Museum visit
Friday 27 th March	Blood Bikes Day
Tuesday 31 st March	RE ambassadors meeting
Tuesday 31 st March	Y6 Coalport visit
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
Monday 20 th April	Summer term starts
Tuesday 28 th April	RE Ambassadors meeting
Friday 8 th May	Bank Holiday