



St Peter's CE Primary School

Bratton

NEWSLETTER

Friday 4th October 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to start this week with a thank you. As a community, you have been so generous in your gifts and contributions for harvest. It has helped make harvest a truly memorable event in our school. All the donations are going to Food Bank.

This week there is a separate message with attachment about social media apps and internet settings. We know parents value this advice and so we've shared the factsheets we were able to access with you. They are written for parents rather than children.

I have been out and about in classes a lot over the last week. Something I've noticed is the great effort being made by parents and grandparents in hearing children read – as shown in reading records. Children love to read to their family and to be read to. So, thank you for all the support across school for this.

I hope you all have a super weekend.

Best wishes,

Mark Davis

Head Teacher

UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Goodbye

We say a sad goodbye today to Mrs Karen Hall, who has worked as a Teaching Assistant with us for a number of years. Mrs Hall didn't want any fuss! But we couldn't let her leave without thanking her in newsletter and saying how much we are going to miss her. We wish her every success for all her future endeavours and thank her for everything she has brought to St Peter's.

Reception

Reception have attached their latest newsletter for your information.

Individual Photographs

Individual school photographs will be taken on Wednesday 13th November, non-St Peter's school siblings can be brought along for a photograph with their brother or sister at 8:30am. Can all children please be in school uniform for photographs and if applicable bring their PE kits to change in to.

Christmas

Years 3,4,5,6:

We are trying something different for Key Stage 2 (Years 3 – 6) this year. We're aware that finding a venue for our large school and for parents to attend is very difficult!

This year, we are going to use All Saints Church in Wellington. Rev Andy has been fully involved in planning this, since we looked into it at the start of the year.

Carol services take place on Tuesday 17th December.

If your child is in – 3S1, 4S1, 5W1, 6W1, their carol service will be at 10am.

If your child is in – 3S2, 4S2, 5W2, 6W2, their carol service will be at 1:30pm.

Parent and families are very welcome. We have split the school into two to give space for you to attend.

SEND Corner!

Home Bargains are working with the National Autistic Society and are launching Autism Hour! Please spread the word to those who might find this helpful.

National
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Society

Autism
Hour

We're opening our doors for Autism Hour.

Sat 6 - Sat 13 October

Mon-Fri
4pm – 5pm

Saturday
9am – 10am

Sunday
3pm – 4pm



home  bargains

Many Thanks,

Miss Plowman

#HelloYellow

On Thursday school are raising money for Young Minds, which is a mental health charity for children. We are asking that children come in non-uniform and wear something yellow for a donation of £1. All classes will be learning about to help look after their mental health. There will also be a book sale after school in the art room, so please come along. We are looking for donations of any books, not just ones for children. Please donate these to the office ahead of Thursday 10th.

Thank you for your support.

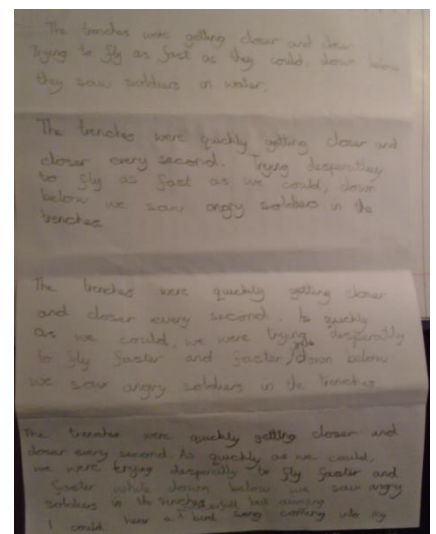
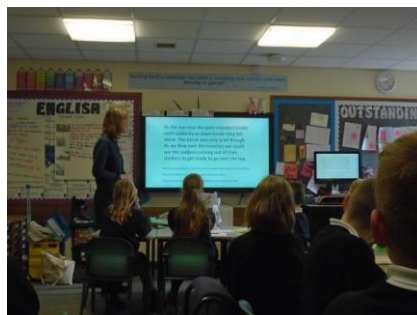
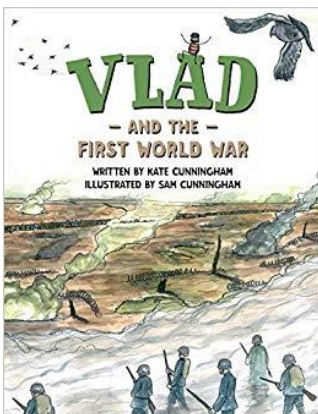
The Safeguarding Squad.

UPDATES FROM THE CLASSES

On Thursday Year 5 took part in an editing workshop with the author Kate Cunningham. She started by talking about the writing process and how the most common question she gets asked is how long does it take to write a book and it is the hardest question to answer. She explained how she will write on anything that is available when she has an idea and then when she gets home she will type up the work and then will print it out. It takes her about 2 years to write a book from her first idea, through the research stage and on to the writing process. In order to write books she does lots of research and makes sure that it is a mixture of fiction, non-fiction and firsthand accounts. We were told that there are 3 different types of editing process. The first is checking that the work makes sense and this is developmental editing. The next is checking to see if the word choices are interesting and the vocabulary is appropriate. This type of editing is called stylistics. The final type of editing is checking the spellings and the punctuation and this is called proof-editing.

Using her book *Vlad and the First World War* we were read a page and the context of the story was explained. We were then shown the picture on the next page and had to write a sentence about it. We shared our initial ideas and she shared her first draft for the page. She then asked us additional questions about aspects of the picture. We then wrote another version of our first sentence expanding of these new thoughts. We shared these ideas and she shared her next draft so we could see how her ideas had evolved. Finally, we talked about birdsong and what a bird is actually saying when it is singing and how this is different to what people think they are saying. We then wrote our final draft with this new information.

At the end we had an opportunity to ask questions and life as an author, the writing process and about Vlad.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event
Tuesday 8 th October	Year 6 visit to Parliament
Thursday 10 th October	Hello Yellow! Children's Mental Health Fundraiser
Thursday 17 th October	Welcome service in school for new to school families 2pm – lead by Church
Monday 21 st October	Buddy's Big Workout NSPCC Event
Wednesday 23 rd October	Tea, toast and twitter for year 7 leavers
Thursday 24 th October	PD Day
Friday 25 th October	PD Day
Monday 28 th October	Half term
Friday 8 th November	NSPCC online safety parent workshop – details to follow
Monday 11 th November	Book Fair – details to follow
Tuesday 12 th November	Book Fair – details to follow
Wednesday 13 th November	Individual photographs
Thursday 14 th November	Open day for prospective families 10:00am and 1:30pm
Monday 18 th November	Year 2 Freshwater theatre in school – details to follow
Tuesday 19 th November	Year 5 Planetarium
Friday 22 nd November	Year 1 Blists Hill Visit
Monday 25 th November	Parent consultations – details to follow
Tuesday 26 th November	Parent consultations – details to follow
Wednesday 27 th November	Community Prayers 2pm
Friday 13 th December	Christmas jumper day
Tuesday 17 th December	Years 3-6 Carol service – All Saints Church Wellington – 3S1, 4S1, 5W1, 6W1 10:00am 3S2, 4S2, 5W2, 6W2 1:30pm
Thursday 19 th December	Year 1 & 2 Nativity – High Ercall Church – details to follow