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# Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself.

# 30th June 2023

## **Message from Mrs Procter**



Well we have had a great week in school and we managed to hold both KS1 and KS2 sports days without getting too wet, someone was looking down on us on Wednesday as at times it was very touch and go. The children had a fabulous time and thoroughly enjoyed their ice pops as a reward at the end. The Brass band performed to their parents and were spectacular - they have worked very hard in their lessons and performed beautifully together.

On Thursday we went over to Mass to celebrate the feast of St Peter and St Paul. The children as always were exemplary. Father Louis explained why St Peter and St Paul were so important to the church. I did have to laugh when Father Louis asked the children-" So who held the keys to the church now" (the answer he was looking for was The Pope) but some of our younger children answered Mrs Procter!!

We have a busy few weeks of the term left before we break up for the summer and there is great excitement trying to guess who the new teachers will be. All will be revealed on Thursday! Please remember the strike days next week on Wednesday and Friday; not all classes are closed so please check the list carefully as if your child's class is open please send them in even if siblings are at home.

## On Wednesday 5th July the following classes will be open

- Little Acorns
- FS2 Mrs Haigh
- FS2 Mrs Guthrie
- Y1 Mrs Dobson
- Y3 Miss Jones
- Y4 Mrs Kane
- Y5 Mr James

## On Friday 7th July the following classes will be open

- Little Acorns
- Y1 Mrs Dobson
- Y3 Miss Jones
- Y4 Mrs Kane
- Y4 Mrs Stitcher
- Y5 Mr James

#### **Weekly Reflection**

When he was alive, Jesus called Peter the rock. All buildings are built on rock. They have strong foundations so that they don't fall down. Peter was to become the strong foundation for Jesus' Church, not the church buildings that we sit in today, but the community of the Church that we all belong to. Peter's faith is the starting point for the Church and he is an example for all members of the Church to follow.



Saint Paul was originally known as Saul, and even presided over the

persecutions of the early Christians. However, he experienced a powerful vision that caused him to convert to Christianity while on the road to Damascus. He was baptised and took the name Paul. He travelled the world preaching ceaselessly about Jesus as well as writing letters to encourage those who he could not be with.

Both saints were ordinary men but wanted to follow Jesus and were filled with faith. We are just ordinary people too. However, we can use these two great role models as an example of how we can try and follow Jesus, to believe in him, and show our faith in the way that we treat others and in all that we do.

#### Ethos Statement – I know the importance of working as a team.

The following children have shown that they recognise the importance of peace this week:

FJH	Harvey Davies	1DK	Scarlett Ashcroft	2RL	Seb Sanderson
FJH	Nellie McGuinness	1DK	Scarlett Bull	2RL	Harry Stewart
FBG	Rory Morad	1SH	Eloise Ireland, Eleanor	2HW	Amelia Cliff
FBG	Oakley Elias Roberts	1SH	Hume, Aaron Davies	2HW	Luca Smart

3EJ	Elliott Glascott	4HS	Ruby Byrne	5AY	Harry Willingham
3EJ	Louis Lockwood	4HS	Cora McWha	5AY	Billy Mohammed
3DJ	Hugo Pietruczuk	4HK	George Moynihan	5MJ	Lily Ralph
3DJ	Penelope Lucas	4HK	Thomas Salter	5MJ	Christopher Rigg

6KH	Erin Cottrell
6KH	Harry Kelly
6RM	Sophia-Mae Byrne
6RM	Emmy-Rose Hulse

#### **Team Points**

KS1 Luke KS2 Mark Overall Mark
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## Mass for the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

This week, Years 2 to 6 joined the parish to celebrate this great feast day.

Fr Louis talked to us about both Saints Peter and Paul and explained that it is up to us to be the pillars of the church now and follow their example. All children behaved well and were a credit to the school.

#### **Beetle Drive- Mini Vinnies/Faith Leaders**

Thank you to all those who donated refreshments or came and supported our Beetle Drive. A great time was had by all – young and old. Well done to our Mini Vinnies and Faith Leaders who were great hosts and organised a lovely afternoon.

#### **Choir News**

This week, the choir performed for the school in preparation for the concert on the 14th July. The children did amazingly, as it isn't easy to sing in front of your peers. I have received lovely feedback from staff and hope those coming to see us enjoy the performance just as much. I also announced the choir member of the year, which was the hardest one I have ever had to choose.

Congratulations to Anna who won the award but I would like to sincerely thank all my Year 6 girls who have been dedicated members for many years, which has been obvious in their auditions and performances.





#### **Brass Band News**

Our Brass Band performed brilliantly for their families this week. Well done to all of our amazing musicians!

Brass lessons will resume in September and we look forward to welcoming the new starters who enjoyed a class demonstration this week.

Lastly, huge congratulations to this year's trophy winners, Oliver Sherry and Austin Lucas. We are very proud of you and they are so well deserved!

Have a lovely summer and see you all in September, Miss Mackenzie





#### **Sports Day**

This week we had our KS1 and KS2 sports day, with the children completing a number of events based on their fundamental skills. The children were really excited for their events and participated with such enthusiasm, they were fantastic! Thankfully, the rain stayed away until we had finished! It was great to see so many parents there.



## Bling Your Ride/Choose Your Shoes Tuesday 11th July

If you have a bike or scooter, why not bling it and proudly display it as you ride it to school! You can decorate it anyway you like - cardboard, streamers, tinsel (recycled), flags, masks- anything you might want to use to decorate your bike. Let your imagination run wild! We'll be keeping an eye out for the most creatively decorated bikes/scooters and also

looking for a special 'eco friendly message' themed bike. Remember that it must be safe though. Don't let anything get tangled in the wheels or chain.

If you don't have a bike or scooter then why not join in with 'Choose your Shoes' Tuesday. This

means that if you walk to school on this day (or ride and stride), you can choose what footwear to wear – you don't have to wear school shoes! (They must be safe for school though.)

You will be helping the environment by reducing pollution from cars and inspiring others to actively travel to school. Our school council will be outside to see the difference you will have made on parking around the school.

We can't wait to see what you create! School Council Travel Ambassadors



## **Attendance**

Please find below some thought proving information, facts and figures from Wirral Borough Council with regards to pupil attendance.

- Missing 2 days per month means a child is missing 10% of their school year
- Increasing your childs attendance by just 5% can **DOUBLE** the chances of gaining good qualifications.
- Good attendance in Primary School improves reading and maths skills
- Turning up just 5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days lost in the year.
- More school= Higher grades/ Increased confidence/more friends/ brighter future
- 95% attendance or more gets your child's life off to a flying start

### **Payment reminder dates**

- Year 6 Fun Day -payment deadline 1st July
- Year 6 October 2023 (Current Year 5 pupils) Blue Peris Residential-deposit due 1st July
- Year 2 Blue Planet Trip-payment deadline 4th July

All payments to be made via ParentPay before the end of the deadline date please, if you are experiencing any difficulties please let school know. Many thanks for your support.

#### <u>Little Acorns FS1 Trip to Church Farm</u>

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July, Little Acorns will be taking a trip to Church Farm in Thurstaston. The cost of the trip will be £18 per child and will be payable via ParentPay.

On the day of the trip, please send your child to school with a packed lunch and a bottle of water, a waterproof coat and wearing their own clothes but with their school sweatshirt for safety. Please let Mrs McDowell know if you do NOT wish your child to go so that we can arrange staffing etc. Parent volunteers are not needed on this occasion to accompany the children.

## Year 1 trip to Eastham Ferry

As part of Year 1's history curriculum, we are walking to Eastham Ferry on Monday 10th July. On this day children will need to wear comfortable walking shoes, a sun hat and bring a water bottle. We will need parent volunteers for this trip so if you can help on this day please see your child's class teacher.

#### Year 2 trip to the Blue Planet Aquarium



To link with our next English book focus, 'Somebody Swallowed Stanley', Year 2 will be going to the Blue Planet Aquarium, Ellesmere Port on Tuesday 11th July. The cost of the trip (including transport) is £15, payments are currently live on you ParentPay account. Packed lunches will be provided by school. Can we please ask that all payments are completed on Parent Pay by Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July.

## Reading Café 3DJ and 3EJ

Come along to a morning session in our school hall to read with your child. From 8:45 to 8:55 you will be able to grab a biscuit and drink whilst looking at some of the recommended reads provided by teaching staff for your child's age group. Then you will be joined by your child's class to take the opportunity to read a story with your child and their friends. We will be starting with 3DJ on Tuesday 4th July followed by 3EJ on Tuesday 11th July in the Junior Hall.

Drop your child off at the gates and sign in at reception. The session will finish by 9.30am. For those children whose parent or grandparent is unable to make it, books will be shared with another

#### Year 3- Roman Day

This term, Year 3 have been learning all about the Romans. We are holding a Roman Day on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July**. Children are invited to dress up for this day but please don't feel that you have to spend lots on costumes. We are sure that you have things in your homes that you could use. Thank you.

### Year 6 Fun Day

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 will be having a Fun Day held here at school and hosted by 'Activity for All' There will be:

- Assault Course
- Zorbs
- Football
- Basketball shoot out
- BBQ Lunch provided for all children

parent, Teaching Assistant or our Reading Ambassadors.

Lets hope the weather is kind! Payment for the day is live on Parent Pay, can we ask that all payments are complete by 1st July

#### **Football Coach Needed**

CtK are looking for a coach for their Y5/6 boys football team. If anyone would be able to help can you get in touch with Miss Hassan or email schooloffice@christtheking.wirral.sch.uk

## No Dogs on school grounds please

Can we remind all parents/carers and adults dropping off and collecting children that dogs (other than service/guide dogs) are not allowed on the school premises- this includes being carried, we had to ask some parents to remove their dogs again this week.

#### Sponsored walk- Well done!

Arthur and Ben completed a 10 mile sponsored walk on Sunday. They walked from New Brighton to Hoylake and back...thankfully they got back to the car just before the heavens opened!

The boys had decided they wanted to raise money to buy outdoor games for the school playground, such as giant connect 4, giant jenga or maybe even a giant chess set. They thought this would offer another alternative for children not wanting to play ball games at lunch time.

Family and friends were keen to support them and they raised £225 in total. They are already excited to play with, and see other children enjoying the new additions to the playground.

Well done Arthur and Ben -we are so proud of you!



#### **CARITAS** family funding scheme

CARITAS/DIOCESE OF SHREWSBURY has secured funding to provide families with white goods (washing machines, tumble dryers, fridges, ovens, etc) and food vouchers.

If you are in need of any support please contact Alex in the parish office on 0151 208 0663 or <a href="mailto:secretarychristtheking@hotmail.co.uk">secretarychristtheking@hotmail.co.uk</a>) who can liase with Caritas on your behalf. The service is entirely confidential and a much needed support for families in the current economic climate.

#### **ALDI Free Sports Session Vouchers**

ALDI Supermarke are currently giving fee sports session vouchers when you spend £30 or more in store until the  $31^{st}$  July. If you have any vouchers you do not need or do not intend to use, can you pass them into school as Miss Hassan will make good use of them to support our children.



#### News from the PFA

The weather outside has definitely let us know summer is on the way!! Fingers crossed this will hold out for our fair **on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> 11am-2pm.** Everyone is always keen to know the schedule regarding donations etc. so here it is:

**Week commencing 03/07/23** – Donations of the following can be left at pick up under the covered walkway:

- Toys
- Books
- Unwanted Gifts/Tombola items
- Teddies

If any parents/carers have any business that would like to make a donation of a service or voucher for the bidding wall these will also be gratefully received and can be dropped into the school office for ease at any time up until Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. We will also be accepting donations on the day of the fair for cakes to sell on our cake stall. Whether you are a whizz in the kitchen or a dedicated shopper, all children making donations for the cake stall will receive a voucher for 10 house points and be entered into a draw for a special raffle reserved for cake donators only!!

#### **Volunteers Needed**

In keeping with previous years the only way we can run these events for our children and school community is by individuals coming forward to volunteer to help us out on the build up to the fair and on the day. We are looking for volunteers for the following:

- Toy and Teddy sort and Table Transportation 1:30 Friday 7th July 23
- Set up Sunday 9th July Fair Day
- Stall Volunteers from 10:30am until 2pm
- Clean up Crew from 1:30pm Finish

We can only run our events with your support so if you are available to support us on the day please either comment on the Facebook post regarding volunteers/email the new PFA committee email <a href="mailto:CTKPFACommittee@gmail.com">CTKPFACommittee@gmail.com</a> or speak to one of our lovely committee members on the yard.

## **Break the Rules Day**

Our final event of the school year will be "Break the Rules" Day. This will be held 14<sup>th</sup> July 23 and details will be released in the next few weeks.

## **Dates for your Diary**

Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	3DJ Reading Café
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	New 'Little Acorns' visit
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Own clothes day- Bring a bottle for the Summer Fair
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	FS1 trip to Church Farm
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair 11.00am-2.00pm
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 trip to Eastham Ferry
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Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	3EJ Reading Café
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Play- 2pm and 6pm Infant Hall
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Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 Roman Day

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Break the rules day		
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Choir Concert in Church 3.30pm		
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 BBQ and Fun Day		
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Mass for Year 6 Leavers 5-6pm in church		
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	**School closes at 1:30pm		

<sup>\*</sup> Year 6 Play Max 2 people per child per performance due to space in the hall

<sup>\*\*</sup> Polite reminder that school closes at 1:30pm, please ensure your child is collected at this earlier finish time.