

St Peter's & St Gildas' Weekly Newsletter

22nd March 2024

Message from Mr O'Shannessy

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We are almost at the end of Lent and it is a time to reflect on what we have achieved. Were we able to keep our Lenten promises?

One of my promises was to always tell the truth, so I must say I did not make it through without eating chocolate, nor did I do exercise every day. But, I did pray every day and read each Sunday's Gospel and I believe I always told the truth.

What I have learnt from my Lenten promises this year is that I am far from perfect and I do not always get everything correct. But that is alright.

Jesus gave his life for us at Easter, so that we can be forgiven. It is important that we cherish this wonderful gift and forgive others their mistakes as well as forgiving ourselves.



Palm Sunday

Here is a picture of Jesus entering Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. I really love this picture and would like to create a Palm Sunday display in school so I would ask all children to create their own drawing of Palm Sunday which we can display in the school halls. I will put this challenge on to google classroom.

Message from Ms Pantelli

To our community of St. Peter's and St. Gildas',

As we hurtle towards the last weekend before Easter, I invite you to join us as we come together in prayer and reflection. We will be holding a mass at St. Peter In Chains Church next Wednesday morning-all are welcome.

The children took part in a British Sign Language assembly on Wednesday. It was truly heart-warming to witness our students embracing inclusivity and diversity, as they learned about the beauty of sign language and its importance in our society. I was delighted to see some of the children demonstrating their new-found skills in the lunch hall! This assembly certainly served as a reminder of the power of unity.

Looking ahead, I would like to draw your attention to the upcoming feast day of Saint Oscar Romero, which falls on Monday. Saint Oscar Romero was a remarkable advocate for human rights and peace, and his feast day serves as an opportunity for our students to learn about the importance of standing up for justice and promoting harmony within our community.

With warm wishes for the weekend, Ms. Pantelli



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Easter Celebration

We warmly invite you to join us at our whole school Mass on Wednesday 27th March at 10.30am to be held at St Peter's Church. It promises to be a wonderful celebration and hope that you can join us.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

On Saturday children from Year 3 together with other children in our parish will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Peter's Church. This is an important day for them and their families as they get nearer to the day of their First Holy Communion. If the children could please bring their pencil cases with them on Saturday. I look forward to sharing this special day with you.

Frances Booker



Easter Greetings - A Message from the Chaplains



We will be putting together an Easter Hamper of activities for the children in hospital over Easter. If your child would like to make a card to cheer the children up we would be happy to include it in the hamper. Please send into school on Monday.

Thank you
The Chaplains



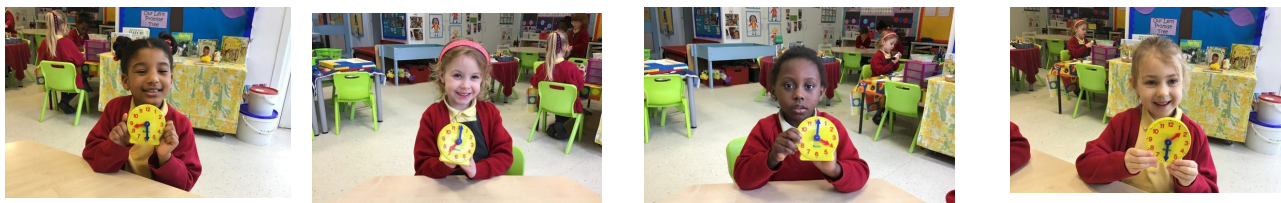
Now in its sixth year, the **Young Artists' Summer Show** is a free, open submission exhibition for students aged 4–19 studying in the UK. Artworks are judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals, with selected artworks displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Over the years we have had several children submit their art work. Last year Onofrio Y5 entered and became a bit of a superstar! Check out the website to see his interview and to get more details on how to enter. <https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/>

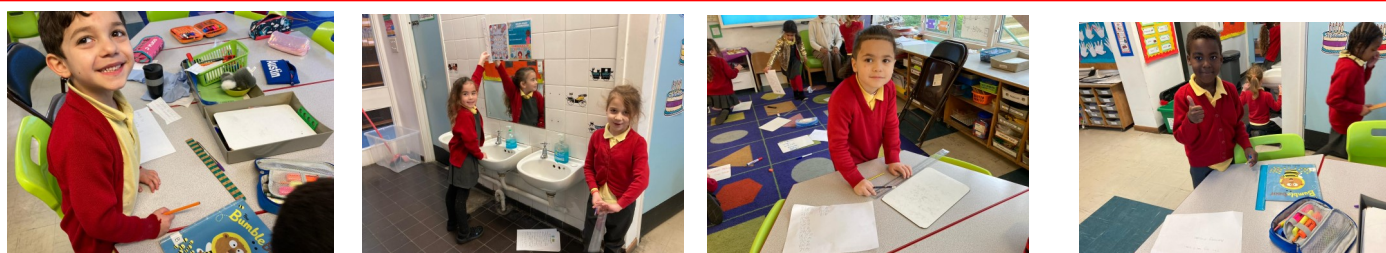
Last chance to register and submit, submissions close on 27 March 2024 at 5pm.

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Reception class have been learning how to tell the time. We have been learning how to read and make o'clock and half past times.



In Maths this week, Year 1 practised their measuring skills, by measuring things around the classroom.



Year 2 invite you to come and see their exhibition of sunflowers in the style of Vincent Van Gogh.



In Year 3 this week, some children have been leading the class in collective worship. They have been enjoying singing as part of our morning prayer.

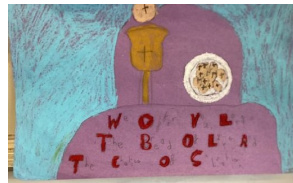


The whole school took part in a BSL lesson as part of Sign Language Week. We had the opportunity to learn BSL from a deaf teacher, as well as providing wider benefits for children such as improved communication skills and confidence, new ways for them to express emotions, and an appreciation of the diverse cultures of the UK.

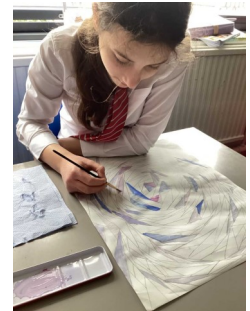
Here are Year 6 signing ST GILDAS

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Year 5 were inspired by the words of the Eucharistic Prayers and the Easter Story to produce beautiful oil pastel pictures.



In Art this week, Year 6 have been focusing on the works of Odili Odita who is a Nigerian-American artist. He creates vibrant, geometric paintings, photographs and installations. Here are some pictures of us adopting his style and method to create our own masterpieces.

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Mon 25th Mar: Y5 Trip - British Maritime Museum

Mon 25th Mar: Y6 - Shakespeare Workshop - Hornsey Library

Mon 25th Mar: Easter Themed Lunch

Wed 27th Mar: Whole School Mass. St Peter's Church 10.30

Thurs 28th Mar: End of term. Early dismissal 2pm

Mon 15th April: Back to School - Summer Term



Gold Awards



EYFS - Elizabeth & Violet

Year 1 - Anika & Anthony

Year 2 Maise, Quentin & Gael

Year 3 - Dominic & Santiago

Year 4 - Ava & Chiara

Year 5 - Amyrah & Paris

Year 6 - Aiyarrah & Federico



School Attendance

Whole School Attendance 92.4%

Congratulations to Year 5

for achieving first place with 98.5% attendance

Well done to Year 6 who came second with 94.6%



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

This week's Birthdays

Cassie-Rose (Rec), Anika (Y1)

Wishing our birthday children a very Happy Birthday!

