30th January 2024 Newsletter



St Peter's Catholic Primary School Hinckley

Spring Term Diary Dates

(all dates are subject to change)

- 30.01.24 St Thomas Aquinas Feast Day
- 31.01.24 Yrs 5 & 6 Science/Space Day
- 01.02.24 Year 5 Mass
- 02.02.24 Year 6 Act of Worship
- 05.02.24 Internet Safety Week
- 06.02.24 Maths Sessions for Parents
- 07.02.24 Internet Safety Presentation to parents 5pm
- 08.02.24 Maths Sessions for Parents
- 08.02.24 PTFA Meeting 6pm
- 09.02.24 Father Frank Act of Worship
- 12.02.24 Swimming Gala practice session
- 14.02.24 Ash Wednesday Service 9.30am
- 15.02.24 Year 4 Residential trip to Beaumanor
- 15.02.24 Year 6 Mass
- 16.02.24 Year 5 Act of Worship

School Closes for half-term and re-opens Monday 26th February 2024.



- 26.02.24 Swimming Gala practice session
- 01.02.24 Year 4 Act of Worship
- 02.03.24 Swimming Gala at Leisure Centre
- 08.03.24 World Book Day Act of Worship
- 08.03.24 PTFA Chocolate Bingo Night
- 11.03.24 Stations of the Cross Week
- 12.03.24 Parents' Evening
- 14.03.24 Year 4 Mass
- 14.03.24 Parents' Evening

Years 5 & 6 will be participating in a 'Space/Planetarium' themed morning at the Mary Forryan Centre tomorrow (Wednesday 31st January).

Year 5 have their Class Mass this Thursday 1st February 9.30am. Year 6 have their Act of Worship on Friday morning (9.15am), you are welcome to join both events.

Don't forget to complete your parent surveys (emailed to you last week).



PTFA News

We are meeting on 8th February at 6pm here in school. Everyone welcome.

Watch this space for more details of our next event – Chocolate Bingo! – Friday 8th March.



House Cup Winners

Last week's House Cup Winner

St Teresa



Y6 – Tym for fantastic knowledge in science. **Y5** – Charlize for consistently showing many of our resilience characteristics.

Y4 – Ben H for the kindness and friendship shown to others.

Y3 – Delilah for always trying her best, being a kind and compassionate class member.
Y2 – Kinga for good imagination in writing a letter.

Y1 – Betsie for always working hard and being a pleasure to teach.

FS – Damon for trying hard in phonics.

School Attendance

St Peter's School and its Governing Body is committed to improving achievement through attendance and monitors the attendance of all its pupils.

Children must attend school regularly to ensure that the maximum benefit is obtained from the education provided.

Our Whole School Attendance is currently

96.6%

The link between attendance and attainment is clear:

In 2018/19, just 40% of persistently absent (PA) children in KS2 achieved expected KS2 standards,

compared with 84% of pupils who were regular attenders. But attendance is important for more than just attainment:

Regular school attendance can facilitate positive peer relationships, which is a protective factor for mental health and wellbeing.

"From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child. #AttendanceCounts"



CALLING CATHOLIC TEACHERS

Do you know somebody who is a practising Catholic and who is a teacher or senior leader working in a school outside of the Catholic sector? The Diocese of Nottingham along with the Catholic Multi-Academy Trusts is leading a virtual information session about working in a Catholic school on Monday 4 March from 7.00pm – 8.00pm.

For further information, please contact: Julie Sweeney at the Diocesan Education Service (julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk).

Cost of Living Support

Please find the link to the Hinckley and Bosworth council cost of living support page:

<u>https://www.hinckley-</u> bosworth.gov.uk/info/200411/cost of living s upport

Also, the Leicestershire County Council equivalent: <u>https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/leisure-and-</u> <u>community/find-help-with-cost-of-living</u>

Free School Meals/Pupil Premium

The school receives funding to help pay for staff to support children's learning as well as resources for pupils who receive free school meals and or pupil premium. Pupils who are eligible receive a free hot meal, access to free school uniform, free school trips and discounted residential trips as well as an allowance to spend on after school clubs etc. During this cost-of-living crisis we are all experiencing, it is important to get access to any extra funding you may be entitled to.

If you think you may be entitled to support, please call 0116 305 5417 or email

<u>FreeSchoolmeals@leics.gov.uk</u>. They will be able to tell you over the phone if you are eligible.



This week's 'Statement To Live By'

"I listen to what you say. I show that I am listening to you"

