

7th March 2019

Dear Parents

<u>Mass and Assembly</u> – Mass will be celebrated by Year 3 on **Tuesday 12th March** in the chapel at 9.00 am parents and Grandparents welcome. The next class assembly will be Year 2 on **Friday 15th March** 2:45pm Parents and Grandparents welcome.

<u>Nursery Gate new entrance system</u> – we now have an electronic video entry system in place. This is to allow parents easier access when collecting your child for appointments. The gate will open for access at 8:55am if you wish to gain access using the ramp the gate will be open on Hough Hill Road leading to the junior playground. The gate will then be opened by staff again at 11:55. The electronic gate must be opened by members of staff only at these times. Thank you for patience and co-operation whilst we are implanting this new system.

<u>World Book Day – Friday 8th March</u> - children are welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book and should either bring the book their character is from or a written character description. The children will work in their St Peter's Family groups in the morning to prepare and perform a short poem in our Poetry 'X' Factor.

Lent fundraising –during lent each class will be involved in their own fundraising activity. More details will be given later. As usual we will be selling toast to the juniors (Year 3 – Year 6) on Fridays for 4 weeks, starting on 15^{th} March. If you would like your child to have toast, then please send in £1.00 for 4 weeks in an envelope clearly named. We are also selling breadsticks each Thursday for the infants - £1.00 for 4 weeks starting 11^{th} March.

Year 6 CAFOD Café will be on Monday 18th March at 1:45pm – 3:00pm. Everybody is welcome to come along to this lovely social event.

<u>Easter Reflections</u> – as usual the last week of term before Easter is devoted to Holy Week activities. There will be reflections on the following dates:

Year Nursery, Year R, Year 1, Year 2 – Friday 5th April at 9:15 in school Year 3 - 6 - Monday 8th April 2:30pm in church Whole school mass - Tuesday 9th April 9:15

Tameside Catholic Schools' Swimming Gala – This takes place on Friday 8th March at Denton swimming pool. Tickets on sale in school office £1.00 adults £0.50p children. Good luck to our team!

School Dinner Money –school dinner money for this term will be £74.25 (33 days), and alternatively you can pay weekly £11.25. School fund next term will be £7.00 per family for the term payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School. Nursery snack fund for the term will be £24.50 payable to St Peter's Catholic Primary School alternatively, you can use the School Money on-line system www.eduspot.co.uk

<u>Robinwood Year 5 Residential trip</u> – please bring your payments up-to-date. If you wish to pay by cheque, please make cheques payable to St. Peter's Catholic Primary School alternatively you can pay using the online payment scheme <u>www.edupspot.co.uk</u> The last instalment of £40.00 was due on 25th February 2019.

<u>Robinwood Parents' meeting</u> – There will be a meeting for parents of Year 5 children on **Monday 1**st **April at 5:30pm**. The purpose of the meeting is to talk about the trip and give out information. Please let Mr Gould know if you are unable to attend this meeting as medical forms will need to be issued via the children to those unable to attend.

<u>Admission to school September 2019</u> – the on-line application process has now closed; any late applications need to be registered through the Admissions Section at Tameside MBC 0161 342 8355. Notification of school places will be by email / letter.

Admission to nursery September 2019 – A letter was sent out regarding Nursery applications for September 2019. Evidence of residency has been requested. Offer letters were sent out on 1st February 2019. There are places still available for September. Please contact school if you haven't received your offer letter or you require any further information.

First Holy Communion ties and sashes – these have been ordered by school. You can pay using the online payment scheme <u>www.eduspot.co.uk</u>; alternatively, you can send the payment of £10.00 in an envelope marked with your child's name. If you are paying by cheque, please make payable to St. Peters school. The ties and sashes will be distributed nearer the time.

<u>Lost library books</u> - please would you return any outstanding Library books. The cost for a lost library book is £6.00 for a paperback and £10.00 for a hardback. We have at present over £150 worth of missing library books. Your co-operation is very much appreciated in returning these to school on a regular basis. Lost books will be charged.

Permanent Midday Assistant - April 2019 - the Governing Body of St Peter's Catholic Primary School wish to appoint a willing, enthusiastic and caring Midday Assistant to supervise and promote positive play with pupils during the lunchtime break in the playground and dining areas of the school. A calm, friendly, firm but fair attitude is required. All applicants will be expected to support our Catholic ethos. Please contact school for more information.

Easter bags - each class has a lovely bag which tells the story of Easter using props and readings. If you wish to borrow the bag to share with your child, please fill in the tear-off slip below and return to your child's class teacher.

Community Events

<u>Abney Orchestra</u> – are holding a Children's Concert with guests The Incredible Plastic Street Band and St. Luke's C of E Primary School Choir on Sunday 24th March 2019 at St. Paul's Church Huddersfield Road Stalybridge. Cost £3 adult, £1 children under 2's free. Please come dressed as your favourite movie character. <u>www.abneyorchestra.org</u>

Diary Dates

Friday 8th March – World Book Day. Children are welcome to come dressed as a book character.
Friday 8th March – Catholic Swimming Gala 7:45pm
Monday 18th March – CAFOD Café.
Monday 25th March – Year 5 trip to All Saints Catholic College to watch their production of 'Little Shop of Horrors' - during school time.
Wednesday 10th April – School finishes at 2:30pm.

Kind regards

Mrs E Summersgill Headteacher

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Name of child/ children_____

Class (es) _____