



7th October 2021

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



In this Sunday's gospel we hear about how Jesus told his disciples that kindness was the key to a place in the Kingdom of heaven.

Hello Yellow Day – Tomorrow is World Mental Health Day, or 'Hello Yellow' Day. Children will be taking part in some lovely activities in class to mark this day.

Class Assemblies – due to a recent rise in the number of cases of Coronavirus in school, we have been guided to take the decision NOT to invite parents into school to watch the class assemblies at the present time.

Transfer from Primary to Secondary School – September 2022

As our Year 6 children are due to transfer to high school in September, letters from Tameside Metropolitan Borough were sent home with the children last week. An application should be made using the online application form via the Citizens Portal, which is available on the 'School Admissions' pages on Tameside's website www.tameside.gov.uk/schools/admissions. Under the section How to Apply for a Secondary School Place, you are advised to read the 'Moving On' booklet before you complete your online form. The closing date for application forms is **Sunday 31st October 2021**.

Secondary School Open Evenings – These will be held online. Our secondary partner, All Saints Catholic College, have set up their website with all of their open evening information. All Saints are offering tours of the school.

October – Month of the Holy Rosary - we will pray the Holy Rosary as a school each Thursday in October at 3.05pm. We are unable to invite parents into school to join us as planned. From next Thursday, parents will be able to join us in prayer virtually by accessing our Rosary video on our school website.

Royal Manchester Children's Hospital – we have some wristbands, badges and fluffy bugs remaining from the sale which took place before the summer holidays. They will be on sale to children at breaktime on Friday, 8th October, and are priced between 50p and £1. All proceeds will go to the RMCH.

National Space Week – To mark this special week, we will be enjoying a visit from the 'Wonder Dome.' Children can enter the dome and view a wonderful representation of the sky at night.

INSET Day – School will be closed to children on Friday, 22nd October for staff in-service training. This is the school day before the half term holiday begins.

Year 2 Information Evening – unfortunately this has been postponed. Mrs Russell will place a video of her presentation to parents on our school website, as we are currently unclear about when we will be in a position to invite parents into school to take part in this evening in person. Mrs Russell will be in touch with parents of Year 2 children to let them know a time when she will be available for questions following the viewing of this video.

Reading and Phonics – Reception and Year 1 – Parents of children in our Reception and Year 1 classes will shortly be able to view a video on the school website which gives more information about the teaching of reading and phonics in these classes. Following the viewing of this video, please feel free to get in touch with your child's class teacher if you have any further queries.

Reception – '5 Minute Meetings' – unfortunately the Reception class meetings had to be postponed. They will now take place on Wednesday, 13th October ON MICROSOFT TEAMS. Shortly Miss Southall will email Reception parents with an invitation to this virtual meeting. The invitation will contain the same appointment time as the one which parents signed up for on Wednesday, 6th October. If there are any problems with appointment times, please email: yearr@st-peters.tameside.sch.uk (please note the second 'r' after the word 'year' in this email address).

Stalybridge Tennis Club – half term holiday camp – The tennis club have been in touch to let us know that there are places available for their holiday camp during the October half-term holiday. The places are available for those children who are in receipt of free school meals. Please contact school if you would like to take up one of these places for your child.

Tameside Centre for Women and their Families – the centre is looking to recruit some volunteers. Please see the attached information if you would like to volunteer for this service in our local community.

Robinwood residential current Year 5 April 2022 - next year's residential trip to Robinwood Activity Centre, Todmorden www.robinwood.co.uk will be on Wednesday 27th until Friday 29th April 2022. A letter has been sent home regarding the deposit payment of £20.00 to secure a place. Please return the slip if you have not already done so.

School Fund - School fund for this term is £7.00. This voluntary fund helps towards extra chargeable curriculum enhancements and is vital for subsidising resources. We are always especially grateful for contributions.

Nursery Snack Fund - Snack fund is £2.50 per week. We also ask for £1.00 a week as a voluntary contribution for curriculum enhancement as explained in the Nursery Prospectus and is available to view on the website under the Admissions section. Cheques to be made payable to: St. Peter's Catholic Primary School alternatively payments can be made via School Money Scheme. Thank you to parents who have already sent in their snack fund.

Nursery Wraparound Provision – we are pleased to offer wraparound care in our nursery unit. The sessions are from 11:55 am until 15:15. The charge is £10.00 per each afternoon session. Please speak with Mrs Walker or Mrs Evans to arrange any additional afternoons.

School Meals - *Please note there is a slight school meal increase to £2.40 per day from the 1st September 2021.*

Please would you bring any arrears up to date. Please ensure that money is placed in an envelope clearly marked with the pupil's name and class. Alternately monies can be paid online via the Tameside MBC website.

If your circumstances change you may be eligible to apply for free school meals. More information is available on the school website under school meals where there is a link to a website www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims-tameside here, you can complete an online application to see if you are eligible.

Nasal Flu Vaccination Year Reception to Year 6 – the Department of Health have announced that all children in Year R - 6 are going to be offered a flu immunisation every year. The immunisation will take place in school on Tuesday 9th November for those children who returned the signed parental consent. Please return any completed forms as soon as possible.

Community events

Take advantage of these fabulous online courses from the Solihull Approach (NHS) & Tameside MBC regarding these great online resources for every parent. They are in our area, and they are completely free via a PRE-PAID access code for every resident.

Kind regards

Mrs Ryan (Headteacher)