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Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please see below our school reflection, important information and celebrations of work and achievement across the school from this week.

Feast of St Peter & Paul



In school, we have reflected during this week's assembly about the significance of St Peter and St Paul to our faith and the church. These ordinary men, who sinned and made many mistakes in their lives, had a transformation through their encounter with Jesus, repentance, belief and their faith in God. Saints Peter and Paul both had a great love for Jesus and from their transforming experiences, devoted their lives to sharing his good news with as many people as they could. They ultimately gave their lives to share this message of love and hope that today we receive.

Matthew 16:13-19 "And so I tell you, Peter: you are a rock and on this rock foundation I will build my church..."

Letter from St Paul to the Romans 15:13 "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Important Changes – Length of the School Day: Ahead of the new academic year, I would like to bring to your attention a key statutory change that comes into force from September. From September, the school day will alter to a formal start time of 8:45am and a finish time of 3:15pm. In doing so school will meet the requirement of completing 35 hours per week, which becomes statutory for all schools from September 2024. Please note that the school day will officially start at 8:45am. Pupils will need to be lined up in the playground ready for registration at 8.45am. They will be greeted by their teacher who will escort them to the classroom. I will write to you towards the end of term as a reminder and with further details regarding this. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

**Attendance:** Over the past half term, we have completed training and attended DfE/Local Authority meetings regarding statutory changes to attendance from September 2024. In particular, these focus upon authorised/unauthorised absence and the duty upon schools and local authorities to work together in ensuring that pupils attend school. I will be sharing with you the updated policy for this over the coming weeks.



















The Nursery children brought in their favourite toys and explained to the class how they worked.



As part of our 'How things work' topic, Nursery have been making and flying kites.



Y1 have been experimenting with cubes to compare length and height.



Y3 have used 3D shapes to create their own castles in DT this week.



Y3/4 enjoyed performing Bamboo Taboo. They have been learning about ostinato and poly rhythm.



Y4 enjoyed computing this week. They worked on their coding skills to make their characters move.



Y5 have enjoyed creating their own music using repeated patterns and ostinato



Y6 have been creating their own 3D designs in computing.





Well done to this week's "Stars of the Week" ...





3S & 4C are this week's 'Class Attendance Winners' with an excellent attendance 100%

<b>NurW</b> 97.2%	Nur/RecW 98.5%	<b>RecK</b> 98.9%	<b>1T</b> 94.3%	<b>1/2M</b> 98.6%	<b>2M</b> 94.8%
<b>3S</b> 100%	<b>3/4D</b> 96.9%	<b>4C</b> 100%	<b>5C</b> 98.1%	<b>5J</b> 97.3%	<b>6G</b> 93.2%
<b>6W</b> 99.1%					

Thank-you again for your continued support. I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton

## **Dates to remember**

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Clarinet concert for Y4 parents

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Leavers' Liturgy and Assembly 6pm

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July – School closes for Summer

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Children return to school

