

St Peter's Pages

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Ofsted

On Monday the 10th of May, Ofsted inspected the teaching and learning of Design and Technology at St Peter's School. The inspector observed lessons, examined children's work and spoke with the children themselves regarding the quality of Design and Technology. I am pleased to report that the inspector judged the overall effectiveness as good. A more detailed report is available at the office.

Dates for the diary

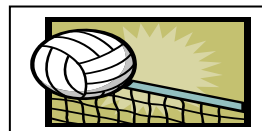
Monday 7 th June	Training day.
Tuesday 8 th June	Children return to school.
Tuesday 8 th June	Year 6 visit 'Crucial Crew'
	Animals intuition to visit Foundation, year 1 and year 2.
Wednesday 9 th June	Year 6 IMPS Trip.
Thursday 10 th June	Multicultural dress up day.
Tuesday 15 th June	Year 5 /6 Aquasplash
Week beginning 21 st June	Healthy Living Week
Tuesday 22 nd	Sports Day Key stage 2 9.30am Key stage 1 1.30pm
Friday 25 th June	'Fit-Tastic' Parents event. Meet Mr Krilic Deputy Head from Sept 2010
Wednesday 30 th June	St Augustine's Summer Concert at Futurist Theatre Scarborough (Both St Peter's choirs to perform)
Tuesday 6 th July	Open Evening 3.30-4.30pm 7.00pm-8.00pm
Friday 9 th July	Foundation to visit Playdale Farm.
Wednesday 14 th July	French themed day.
Wednesday 14 th July	Year 6 End of Year production
Thursday 15 th July	Year 6 End of Year production
Monday 19 th July	Year 6 'Open Top Bus' trip.
Wednesday 21 st July	More than Dance to work with year 6

PE Kits

We now are hopefully into the Summer term and the teaching and learning of outdoor sports is high profile in school. We will be planning soon for our 'Healthy living' week when all children are asked to attend school in their PE kit! (Week beginning 21st June)

Could I ask that this coming term that all children bring to school on a Monday morning a clean PE kit and leave this in school, until Friday when it is returned home to be cleaned? Children should also bring to school a pair of socks to wear with their trainers (not tights)

A sun hat/cap would also be beneficial in this 'hot' weather.





French Day: Wednesday 14th July

We are very fortunate to have on staff a specialist French teacher Mrs Angie Sellers. She works with all the children for some time on a Wednesday. In key stage 2, teachers have had recent French training and are developing their own subject knowledge and beginning to teach French also. In the future modern foreign languages is to be compulsory in key stage 2.

We hope to raise the profile of this subject in school by organising a themed day around the culture of France. If any parent feels they have something to contribute to this day please contact the office.

Punctuality

Can I remind parents that the start of the school day is **8.50am** and the close of day **3.15pm**

Arriving late to school or being collected late can be distressing for a child and whilst we have a system for emergencies, we do not wish for this to be considered after school provision.

Catholic Schools Football Tournament

Year 5/6

9 Boys and 9 girls attended the Annual Diocese Catholic Schools' Cup on Saturday 22nd May at St Mary's Sports College Hull. It was a fabulous day out and we were blessed with glorious sunshine. The children played well and their behaviour was impeccable. Unfortunately the teams did not make it through to the final, but we all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and a big THANK YOU to Mr Turley who did a great job at supporting and organising the teams. Thank you also to the parents, who attended and encouraged the children to play well.

Tesco and Sainsburys Vouchers For Schools

Both of these schemes are coming to an end soon. Please can we ask you to look for any vouchers you may have at home and bring these into school as soon as possible. We can then use the vouchers to re-stock our sports equipment and play bags.

Lunchbox Top Tips

Many children bring packed lunches to school and as you may know, these are kept on trollies in the quad, which can get quite hot on sunny days. Here are a few tips on keeping lunchboxes cool:

- Use an insulated lunch bag
- Mini ice packs are available to buy from Wilkinson and the Pound shop
- Freeze a "Frube" and place this in the lunch box to keep it cool.

We do try to keep the lunch trollies in the shade, but this isn't always possible. These tips may just stop your child's lunch from being spoiled by the heat.

Student Update Forms

If you haven't already returned these to school, please do so as soon as possible. If you have mislaid your form and would like another, please ask at the office.

SATS

You may have heard that the National Association of Headteachers and the National Union of Teachers have decided, after long deliberation, to campaign to end the SATS system in primary and special schools. They believe that these 'high stakes' tests damage the educational experience of children in year 6 and are used to create unreliable league tables that misrepresent the excellent work being done in schools.

St Peter's school did not carry out the tests in English and Maths, along with the vast majority of schools in the Scarborough area.

Teacher assessment will be completed by the class teacher and moderated with local primary schools.