



St. Peter's News

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Olympic Athlete visits St. Peter's

St. Peter's was thrilled to welcome Wirral's own Olympic Gold Medal winner - Sam Quek. The children were excited to meet her in person and hear her story of how she became a hockey player for Great Britain's National Team.

Her inspirational talk gave the children a really important message about being resilient and keeping going when things are difficult and aspire to be the best that they can be. All the children got to see her gold medal up close.



Charity Day for Alder Hey



At the start of February everyone came to school dressed in red to raise money for the Cardiac Unit at Alder Hey Children's Hospital. The charity was suggested by Mr Dan Ridgway, a consultant transplant surgeon at The Royal Liverpool Hospital, whose son, a pupil at St. Peter's, had benefit from cardiac

care when he was a baby. He highlighted that there were a number of children at St. Peter's who have been supported by the cardiac unit when they were younger, with some pupils continuing to receive support as they grow up. The whole school made a donation to enable them to come to school wearing red. The day began with a special Collective Worship in which, Irene Sadler from Alder Hey shared stories of some of the children who benefit from the care at Alder Hey. During the day each class learnt about the heart and the importance of having a healthy heart. The day was a great success and raised £615. It is planned for a group of pupils to visit Alder Hey after half term to meet some of the children and staff in the cardiac unit and to present the cheque.



Making a Difference in 2017

At the start of a new year, we have been thinking about what we want to achieve in 2017 and consider setting our own personal goals and targets as 'new year's resolutions'. The challenge that has been set for everyone in school, is how can we use the skills and talents that God has given us to make a difference to our friends, our classmates, our school and our community. Pupils have been tasked with pledging to do something that will make a difference to someone else. This can be individually, as a group as a class or as a whole school.

A group of Y3/4 pupils chose to organize a cake sale with the money raised going towards our school charity,



'The Rock of Joy.' Mrs Clayton's Class have created a range of valentines cards with messages of love and sent them to the residents at one of our

local nursing homes. Further projects and activities will be planned throughout the year.

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Cookery Club rustle up a real treat



Cookery Club has started again this term with a group of Y5 children learning a range of new cookery skills and a range of tasty dishes. The Club run by teaching assistants, Mrs McGarvie and Mrs Macklin has seen the children make dishes including Shepherds Pie and Bread and Butter Pudding. The children

learn about different food types as well as developing skills involving weighing and preparing ingredients. The best bit is that at the end of the session the children get to take home what they have made.



Basketball Stars

Earlier this year members of the Cheshire Phoenix Basketball Team came into school to run a series of workshops with Y5/6 pupils as part of the Hoops for Health programme. The children had the opportunity to attend an after school



basketball club run by coaches from the Phoenix. As a spin off from this, a team was selected to represent the school in an inter-school competition with the final taking place at half time. The team got through to the final against King's School, Chester, which was played on the 29th January at half-time in the match between Cheshire



Phoenix and Bristol Flyers, in front of a capacity crowd. The team did really well in what was a closely fought final, with St. Peter's being narrowly beaten 4-2. This didn't dampen the team's spirits and they thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



Sports stars shine

Three teams represented the school in the Wirral Basketball Competition, with one team winning overall and now representing Wirral in the Merseyside School Games in Liverpool on March 13th.

Three teams took part in the New Age Curling competition which uses special indoor stones to aim closest to the centre of the target. Two teams finished joint second overall with the third team 4th.

Year 6 boys football team have played twice – firstly, in the Tranmere Rovers Competition, where they won 1, drew 1 and lost 1. Secondly, in the Hoolihan Cup playing their first group game against Great Meols Primary; the game finished in a 2-2 draw.



A mixed year 5/6 boys football team took part in the Everton Premier League Tournament with the overall winners getting the opportunity to play at Stamford Bridge, on television. The boys played extremely well losing by one goal after extra time in the semi-finals.



New Canopy is installed

During January, we saw the construction of the new canopy adjacent to the Computer Suite. This looks really smart with the design in the school

blue. The canopy will create a wonderful new outdoor area that will be used for curriculum activities, a quiet activity area for break and lunchtimes and a meeting point for after school clubs. A water butt has also been installed to collect the rainwater from the new roof. This will be used by the eco-team when they begin their watering programme for our new bedding plants later this term. The area is still to be



finished with purpose built bench seating being added to three of the sides. The benches will include under seat storage for games and activities for pupils to use at lunchtime.



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