



St. Peter's News

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Eco News - Our new Composter arrives!

On Tuesday 12th January our new school Ridan Composter arrived! The members of the Eco committee have been shown how to use it and we soon hope to have it operating.



The cost of the composter has been met by the Governors, the Friends, fundraising from the Eco team and a grant from the Local Authority. It has enabled us to reduce our land fill waste and we have reduced the number of large bins by one, replacing it with a further recycling bin, therefore reducing our collection cost for waste and so over time will also save us money!



By Easter we should be able to use our own compost for projects around the school e.g. the vegetable patch, flower pots and our new Bee/Butterfly garden which we hope to create.

Y1/2 visit West Wirral Works

Years 1&2 recently enjoyed a trip to West Wirral Works to support their topic work about the Great Fire of London. This is what the pupils thought about the visit.



We spent some time designing and then making our own Tudor houses. We think they look just like they were from Pudding Lane in 1666! Our final model had a wind up feature so we could pretend to put the fire out with a bucket of water. We were very proud of our creations.



Sample our lunch menu

The beginning of the school year saw the introduction of a new four week menu, with a range of new dishes and options. On the whole, these have been well received but we want to make them even better and plan to make a number of changes over the next couple of months in response to feedback received from pupils through School Council. We hope to be able to give parents the chance to sample some of the dishes for themselves and to see the set up at lunchtime at our two Parent/Teacher meetings at the end of March.

Y3/4 enjoyed a singing Workshop with Voice Choir

On Monday Year 3/4 had a singing workshop with Simon and Abby from Voice Choir. Everyone had a fantastic time and during the afternoon the children learnt a new song called Endless Praise, with actions! The children were then able to perform this to the rest of the school during collective worship at the end of the day and really raised the roof! Pupils in Y5/6 enjoyed a similar workshop earlier in the year and we hope to give our Y1/2 pupils the chance to work with Voice after half term

A number of our KS2 pupils are members of Voice Choir which rehearses fortnightly on a Monday evening from 6.15pm to 7.30pm at Church of the Good Shepherd. It is a Christian Choir for pupils in Year 3 to 6 and, as the children will tell you from the workshop, the sessions are great fun! If you would like more information please contact Mrs Chetwood through school.



Update on the building project

Unfortunately, due to some complications within the tender process, the start of the front elevation extension has been delayed. The good news is that this has now been resolved and it is anticipated that work will now start at the beginning of April. We do expect a level of disruption during the building project and details regarding access arrangements will be communicated nearer the time.





Flipping Pancakes

Shrove Tuesday saw the return of our annual Friends' fundraiser, the 'Pancake Flip.' Every pupil in the school took part with children being sponsored for the number of flips they made. A team of parents were on hand to offer advice, tips and support with each child trying to flip as many pancakes as they could in one minute. Prizes were awarded to the children with the most 'pancake flips' in each class. Fortunately, not too many pancakes got stuck to the ceiling and, amongst all the fun and excitement, the event raised approximately £1800 (still counting!) towards this year's fundraising projects. Thank you to everyone involved in helping on the day and to family and friends who kindly sponsored the children.



Year 5/6 Snack Attack Challenge

The children in Year 5/6 have been busy inventing a new chocolate fairtrade snack to enter in the Snack Attack Challenge 2016.



They have been working in groups to design a new product, coming up with a memorable name, eye catching package design, an advertising poster and a television advert to promote and sell their bar. The work is supporting the English curriculum with a focus on persuasive writing. Pupils have researched Fairtrade and have learned about the work that is done to help farmers get paid a fair price for their product.

Later in the project each group will write and present a 'Dragon's Den' style pitch to determine the entry that will go forward to represent our school in the competition.



Table Tennis Tournament



On Thursday 4th February, St. Peter's took three teams to the Wirral Table Tennis Tournament at Clare Mount Specialist Sport College. They played against 2 other schools playing a sport that we have never competed in before. It was great fun and the children learned some great skills including teamwork and sportsmanship.



All 3 teams competed well with Team C finishing 3rd, Team A 4th and Team B 6th. Well done to all the children who took part and represented our school.

Chris Penn - Headteacher