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'Let Your Light Shine' Matthew 5.16

World Book Day Brilliance....!

Here are just a few examples of the work that was done across the schools for World Book Day 2024 EYFS...

The reception classes have been engrossed in different World Book Day activities today and have loved listening to stories. One of their favourite activities has been to make their own character puppets and to invent their own stories. They have been making their own books and created bookmarks. We hope the children have enjoyed the day as much as we have!







In Reception, we have had a blast! We started the morning with looking at some bedtime stories and discussed how stories can make us feel relaxed. Then we created our own mini storybooks and designed a front cover for our stories. We role played as our favourite characters and performed stories to our friends!



YEAR 1...

Year 1 had a super time celebrating World Book Day! They loved sharing their costumes with their friends and adding to their ever-growing vocabulary. We enjoyed searching the school to find exciting synonyms for words such as 'big', 'pretty' and 'loud', being authors





and best of all listening to some great stories!



YEAR 2....

Year 2 synonym hunting around the school and a piece of writing inspired by the poem A Magic Box and linked to our Great Fire of London topic



YEAR 4....

We learnt all about the crayons in When the Crayons Quit and wrote a Day in the Life of one of the crayons from the story. I chose Blue Crayon and wrote about how it ate blueberries for breakfast and danced through the sea and the sky. This afternoon we decorated our doors based on Matilda. We had to draw our favourite book cover and I chose Esio Trot. An amazing day!

(By Lillie - St Andrew)











(by Alex Jaruk-yr6)

We kicked off with creating all the individual pieces for our door, we were The Day the Crayons Quit, we do this competition every year where we decorate our doors around the theme of a book.

Then, before lunch, we did a book quiz and book bingo. After lunch, we did some more book activities and then, finally, we all went to our chosen classroom to listen to a story. All the teachers had a book that they were reading and we could put our name down to go to whichever book we liked the sound of.

In St Patrick we created new book covers for our favourite reads, completed a where's Wally treasure hunt around the school, dressed the door, crosswords and word searches watched a narration of When the crayons quit followed by a illustration tutorial. A long day but fun day and the children have already asked me to make a treasure hunt for Easter as they really enjoyed it!





The staff in both schools dressed up too and joined in the reading fun! We had





Harry Potter, different colour crayons, a whole multitude of book-inspired silliness and this picture of the Park staff really demonstrates the lengths our staff will go to ensure your children are learning with fun! Our children are very lucky to have such a dedicated and inspiringly silly staff!

Work made fun, gets done.



Book vouchers have been distributed at St Peter's and we are in the process of exchanging the vouchers for books already at Park-we will have all the books ready for the Park children to select from next week!

Important Admin News....

Moving to Arbor

At Park and St Peter's we currently use WisePay for our trips, Shine breakfast and after school club bookings and Music Payments. This will be changing, we will be moving over to Arbor to book your child's school clubs, trips, music and Shine Breakfast and After School Club. Both schools will be moving over to Arbor.

At the end of next week we will be sending all information out to parents, to ensure the process runs as smoothly as possible please keep a look out and read this as it has important information to help you.



Experience Easter

St Peter's School visited St Peter's Church this week for their Experience Easter learning.

Yesterday at the church we learnt all about Jesus being the servant King and that he was put on the cross at Easter time and died for our sins. He was put in a tomb and we learnt that the Easter eggs represent this as they are hollow inside to show the empty tomb. We got to make a person out of pipe cleaner to represent Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Jacob - St Andrew





Year 6 visited the church this week to take part in the Easter Experience. They visited a number of work stations in the church where they found out more about the crucifixion of Jesus to his resurrection. They were able to share bread and wine (juice) as though they were at the last supper! They enjoyed the experience as always.

A big thank you to Ginny, Julie and the church team for making this happen and for bringing the story of Easter to life at ST Peter's!





Help...



The Local Committee of Park and St
Peters (often known as the governors) is
a small group of people who support the
schools by going in regularly, talking to
children and getting to know how the
schools work and operate. We
desperately need a couple more people
to join us? Would you be able to? No
experience necessary, just an interest
and willingness to make Park and St
Peter's the best schools they can
possibly be.

If you think you might have a few hours every term please drop me an email and we can talk a bit more about the role.

Thank you
Julie Barke Chair of the Local
Committee
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Parents evenings...

A reminder.....

This term's Parents Evening Bookings are open! Please book your slots now! The schools will be operating two nights of parents evenings-week beginning 18th March! Please see the email communications from both schools and please book your parents evening slots now!



Mr Cantley's visit...

On Thursday this week (yes, the same day as World Book Day...!) Peter Cantley, Diocesan Director of Education, Diocese of Peterborough came for a school visit to St Peter's.

He spent the morning with Julie Barke (chair of our Local Committee) and I. Here is his lovely message of thanks that I have great pride in sharing with you...

Dear Mark

It was a real joy to be with you and Julie at St Peter's Church of England Academy this morning. Thank you for the warmth of your welcome and the tour of the school. I very much enjoyed being able to join with the whole school for collective worship. On visiting the classrooms, it was so evident that all the children are benefitting from a really high quality education, thanks to the devotion, commitment, skill and dedication of your talented staff. Needless to say, I was also hugely impressed by all the songs the children had written and learnt to perform.

Thank you for all that you are doing to lead your school forward so effectively. We are very grateful to you and, as ever, here to support in whatever ways would be most helpful. We look forward to continuing to work with you, and very much look forward to having 30 of your pupils with us at our next Headteachers' Conference on 20th June. It would be great if they could lead all the headteachers in the singing of 'My Lighthouse', with actions, and later on in the collective worship part of the conference sing the 'Playground Monster' song about bullying.

I hope the rest of the term goes well for you and look forward to visiting again in the future.

Best wishes

Peter

So, it looks like our choir has a big gig and the MONSTER antibullying songwriters have got to perform again! Another proud moment!

Next week's dates...

W/B 11.3.24

Monday:

Science Week!

St Peter's: Collective worship

Park and St Peter's: Representatives

from both schools attending

Commonwealth day at the Twon Hall

Park: 3.15-4.30 Multi skills club

Tuesday:

St Peter's: Experience Easter at the

church!

Park: 1.00pm dental health check for

the identified children

Wednesday:

St Peter's: Experience Easter at the

church!

St Peter's: Piano lessons

Park: 3.15-4.30 Multi skills club

Thursday:

Park: Morning Assembly

Friday:

RED NOSE DAY!!!!!

Park Values VIP Assembly,

St Peter's Swimming for year 5

St Peter's: Cake sale for Red Nose Day

St Peter's: Celebration Collective

Worship

Attendance...

(National average is 94%)

Park	
All students	93.6%
Eagles	95.5%
Kingfishers	92.7%
Sparrows	96.8%
Puffins	90.4%
Red Kites	91.1%
Robins	88.5%
&t Peter's	
All Students	95.3%
St George	98.5%
St Christopher	99.6%
St Martha	96.3%
St Andrew	97.1%
St Mary	97.3%
St Cecilia	95.7%
St David	94.8%
St Patrick	96.1%



This week's messages....







